



LEGEND	
	Application boundary
SOFT LANDSCAPE	
	Existing trees and hedgerow
	Proposed native thicket planting
	Proposed trees
	Proposed clipped hedging
	Proposed ornamental shrub planting
	Proposed structural shrub planting
	Proposed wildflower and long meadow grassland
	Proposed seasonally wet meadow to SuDS
	Proposed SuDS planting
	Proposed bulb planting
HARD LANDSCAPE	
	Macadam roads and pavements
	Block paving to private drive and parking bays
	Rumble strip / transition
	Flag paving to front paths
	Brick flank walls
	Rustic post and rail fence

② Play Strategy

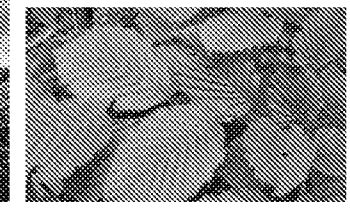
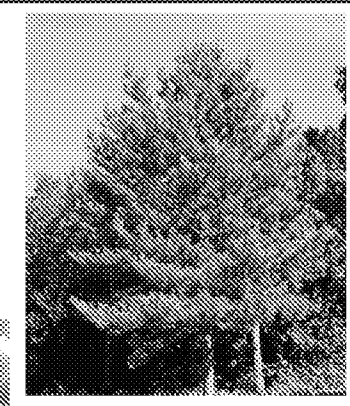
A new Local Equipped Area for Play (LEAP), at 440 meters squared, will be provided at the north of the site. Naturalistic timber play equipment will provide a variety of experiences generally aimed at younger children aged 5-12 years, together with grassed areas providing a more informal run around space. The play area will be enclosed by a fence and planting, which will be designed to enhance the play experience. The play area will also benefit from opportunities of natural surveillance from nearby housing.



③ Retained Vegetation and Landscape Framework

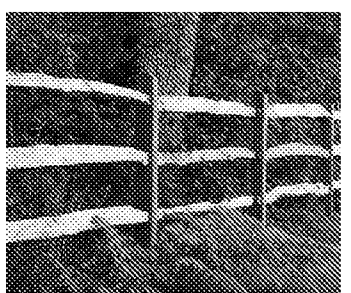
A good proportion of the existing trees and vegetation will be retained on the Site, providing an established landscape framework which will then be enhanced by new planting. New tree, thicket, hedgerow and structural shrub planting will be incorporated into the design of the open space and street scene, reinforcing the Site boundaries where possible. This will provide a successional landscape framework, as well as amenity value. Additionally, this planting will improve biodiversity on the Site, including providing a foraging resource for birds. New species will include:

- Scot's Pine – Pinus sylvestris
- Hornbeam – Carpinus betulus
- Field maple – Acer campestre
- Dogwood – Cornus sanguinea



① Site Entrance

Access into the Site has been retained in its existing location, allowing for minimal impact to existing vegetation. Entrance feature planting benefits from the retention of the existing weeping willow, and will provide a sense of arrival with new ornamental planting, together with new hedgerow and tree planting to augment the boundary vegetation along Lidsey Road in this location. This will be complemented by further new planting and play provision to the east of the access road.



④ Lidsey Road Frontage

The majority of the existing vegetation along the Lidsey Road frontage will be retained, with the exception of one tree which has been assessed as unsuitable for retention, and the section of hedgerow trees at the north of the boundary which are being removed to allow for the enhanced Site access. As well as the enhancement provided at the Site entrance described in box 1, there will be extensive new planting to augment this boundary, using appropriate native species to create a robust buffer between the road and the Site.

Large, semi-mature street trees to soften access road

Scope for rear garden trees to break up roofline



Margins of the Site sown with wildflower grassland

Strong clipped hedge enclosure

Brick flank walls onto public realm

Hedging to reinforce key road junction

Conifer hedge retained

Supplementary planting to augment southern boundary

Hedging to screen pump station

Ecological Enhancements

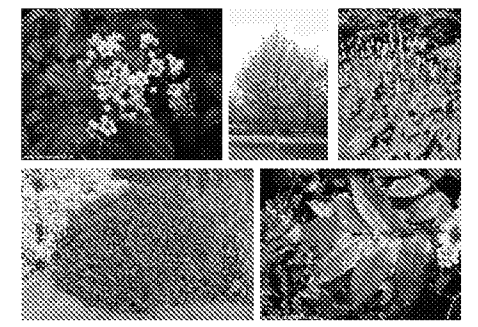
A range of ecological enhancements will be incorporated within the proposals, as outlined in the approved Ecological Impact Assessment. This will include the use of native plants and plants on the RHS 'Plants for Pollinators' list as described in box 6, wildflower and meadow grass seeding. It will also include the installation of bird boxes, bat boxes and hedgehog holes in suitable locations throughout the scheme.



⑥ Plot Landscaping

The proposed planting will prioritise a diverse range of native species, native cultivars and non-native plants noted as RHS 'Plants for Pollinators' to maximise biodiversity on the Site. Additionally, this planting will create a vibrant character to the area and provide an attractive place to live. Proposed planting will be easily maintained and complement the setting of the new housing. Proposed species will include:

- Field maple cultivar – Acer campestre 'Elsrijk'
- Cherry plum – Prunus cerasifera
- Laurustinus cultivar – Viburnum tinus 'Eve Price'
- Sweet box – Sarcococca hookeriana var. digyna
- Oregon grape – Mahonia aquifolium
- Hebe cultivar – Veronica 'Silver Queen'
- Bugle – Ajuga reptans
- Common bistort – Persicaria bistorta



⑤ Community Growing Space



A Community Growing Space will be provided within the open space. This will be both a resource for residents and an opportunity for the community to come together and engage with the outdoor space. The design of the area will be minimal to allow for the community to develop a space which suits their needs. However, the ground will be prepared for planting and the area will be enclosed by a hedgerow which will include edible species for human and bird foraging such as:

- Blackthorn – Prunus spinosa
- Crab apple – Malus sylvestris
- Hazel – Corylus avellana
- Common elder – Sambucus nigra
- Hawthorn – Crataegus monogyna

⑦ Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS)

Sustainable drainage has been incorporated into the Site in order to retained water run off from the Site and allow it to be held temporarily in a detention basin before being released slowly into the existing watercourse south of the Site. The basin will be sown with a wildflower / grass mix and appropriate species which are tolerant of periodic wet conditions and will benefit local wildlife.

Trees and Shrubs:

- Aspen – Populus tremula
- Downy birch – Betula pubescens
- Crack willow – Salix fragilis
- Goat willow – Salix caprea

Marginal Species:

- Ragged robin – Lychnis flos-cuculi
- Meadow buttercup – Ranunculus acris



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