Rustington Golf Course, Rustington, West Sussex
Landscape Design Strategy
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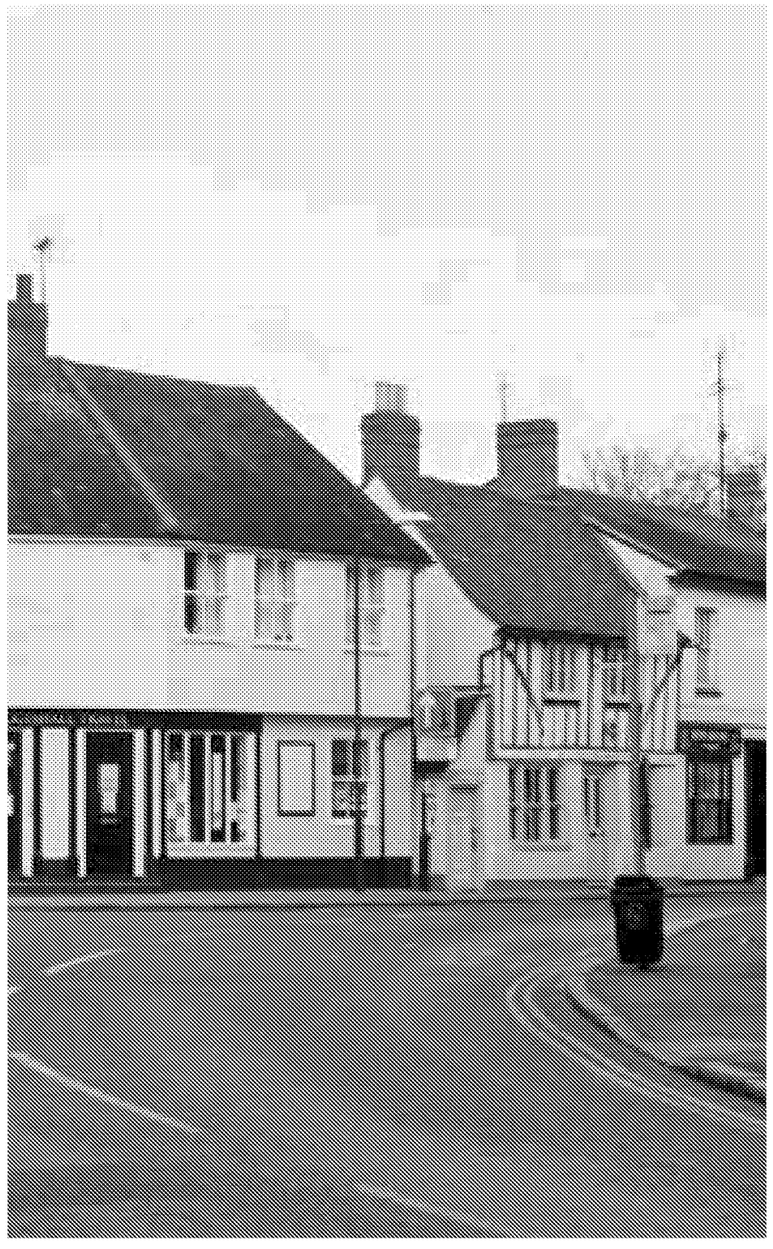

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1.0 Introduction

This Landscape Design Strategy has been prepared by James Blake Associates Ltd. on behalf of Barratt Homes Southern Counties (the applicant) to illustrate the landscape proposals for the consented development of up to 167 no. dwellings at Rustington Golf Centre, Rustington, West Sussex.

The purpose of this document is to describe the key principles of the landscape design for the site, including areas of public realm. The proposals described within have been developed in collaboration with the wider design team and have full consideration of the Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment produced by James Blake Associates Ltd.

1.1 THE VISION FOR RUSTINGTON GOLF COURSE, RUSTINGTON

The public realm vision aims to create a sense of place and identity that will nurture community cohesion by providing a network of new and existing parks, gardens and streets that will constitute a diverse new public realm and knit new and existing communities together.

The landscape scheme has been developed to both enhance the sites biodiversity and ecological resource and to provide a variety of amenity spaces for residents to enjoy. The design seeks to retain as much of the vegetation as possible, enabling the protection and enhancement of the existing well established internal hedgerows and trees. With additional tree and meadow planting this will provide good cross-site green connections for wildlife.

1.2 LANDSCAPE'S ROLE AT RUSTINGTON GOLF COURSE, RUSTINGTON

Recognising the central role that landscape has to play in achieving the overall vision, the landscape's design and character has been carefully considered from the beginning of the scheme's development. This has led to a series of landscape typologies being defined, ranging from intimate lanes to the lively public open spaces. Together these typologies aim to both establish the essential qualities of Rustington and to ensure a consistent vision is realised. Together with this, a clear hierarchy of streets and spaces will also be proposed in order to connect the development into a single whole and to create spaces for the life of the neighbourhood to thrive.

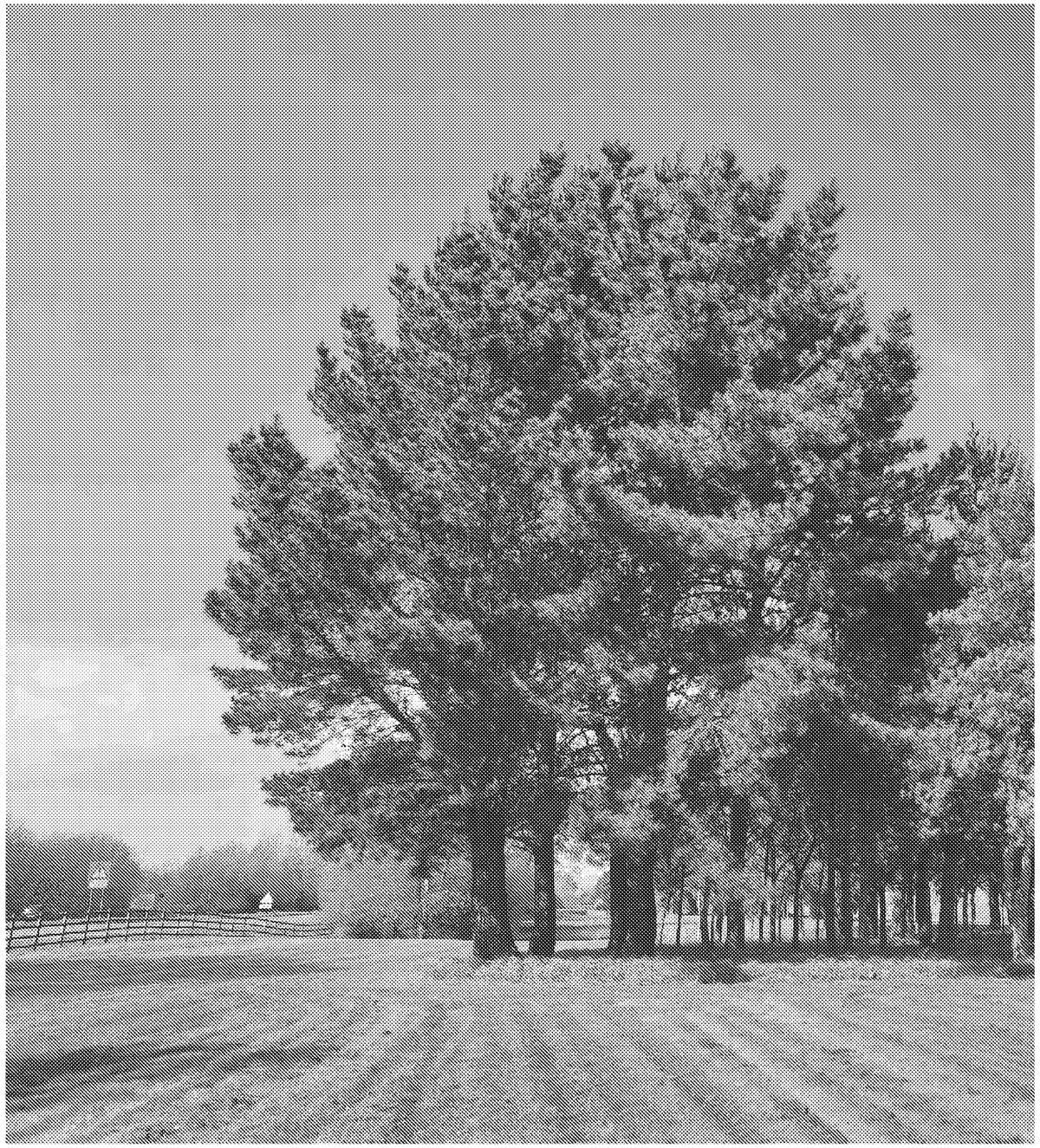

Photo 1: View from within the Site

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2.0 Landscape Strategy

The key principles of the landscape strategy have been informed by the constraints and opportunities of the Site. The approach to the landscape strategy has been guided by the identified constraints and opportunities and provides a high quality landscape setting with a multi-functional network of linked open spaces, which in conjunction with strategic planting will create a structure into which the buildings will sit while providing recreation and leisure opportunities and enhancements to landscape and biodiversity.

Design Objectives

The key objectives of the landscape strategy are:

1. To create a comprehensive new landscape scheme which integrates the surrounding environments;
2. To strengthen existing Green Infrastructure links. The Site specific Green Infrastructure Strategy incorporates areas of strategic open space linked by green corridors and streets;
3. To create distinct areas of landscape character, aiding wayfinding through the development and creating a variety of spaces for residents to enjoy;
4. To retain and enhance connectivity between the Site and the wider landscape; and
5. To safeguard and strengthen existing landscape and habitat features through the protection of existing vegetation.

Photo 2: View along the A259

Photo 3: View east from the southern boundary within the Site

KEY TO MASTERPLAN

Soft Landscape

- Proposed Hedges
- Proposed Shrubs
- Amenity Grass
- Front Garden Grass
- Back Garden Grass
- Proposed Native Hedges
- Wildflower Meadow
- Wetwildflower Meadow
- Proposed Buffer Planting
- Earth Mounds
- Mown paths
- Existing Buffer Planting
- Proposed Conifer Trees
- Proposed Ornamental Trees
- Proposed Native Trees
- Proposed Street Trees
- Existing Tree Planting

Street Furniture

- Proposed benches
- Proposed bins
- Proposed bollards

Hard Landscape

- Proposed Block Paving to Private Drives
- Proposed Block Paving to Shared Surfaces
- Proposed Road Surfacing
- Proposed Bitumen Surfacing for Private Driveways
- Proposed Bitumen Footpaths
- Proposed Paving to Private Footpaths
- No-dig resin bound path
- Hoggin path
- No-dig bark chip path

Easements

- Pylons

Areas of Play

- Proposed Areas of Play (L.E.A.P and L.A.P Provision)

Enclosures

- 1.2m high Estate railing
- Post and rail fencing
- Knee rail
- Bow top railings (Around play areas)
- Post and wire fencing

Figure 2: Landscape Masterplan