

GENERAL DRAINAGE MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE PLAN

All onsite SuDS and drainage systems will be privately maintained. A long-term maintenance regime should be agreed with the site owners before adoption. In addition to a long-term maintenance regime, it is recommended that all drainage elements implemented on site should be inspected following the first rainfall event post construction and monthly for the first quarter following construction.

GENERAL MAINTENANCE MAINTENANCE	
Maintenance activities comprise Regular Maintenance Occasional Tasks Remedial Work	Frequency
Generally Litter Collect all litter or other debris and remove from site at each site visit. Avoid use of weedkillers and pesticides to prevent chemical pollution Avoid de-icing agents wherever possible to allow bio-remediation of pollutants in permeable surfaces. Protect all permeable, porous and infiltration surfaces from silt, sand, mulch and other fine particles.	Monthly
REGULAR MAINTENANCE	
LITTER MANAGEMENT	
Pick up all litter in SuDS and Landscape areas and remove from site	monthly
GRASS MAINTENANCE – all cuttings to wildlife piles	
Mow all grass verges, paths and amenity at 35-50mm with 75mm max. Leaving grass in situ	As required or monthly
Wildflower areas strimmed to 50mm in Sept or at end of school holidays Or Wildflower areas strimmed to 50mm on 3 year rotation 30% each year	1 visit annually 1 Visit Annually
Inspect monthly, remove silt from slab aprons and debris. Strim 1m round for access	12 visits monthly
HARD SURFACES	
Sweep all paving regularly. Sweep and suction brush permeable paving in autumn after leaf fall.	1 visit
PERMEABLE AND POROUS SURFACES	
Regular Maintenance	Frequency
Cleaning	
Brush regularly and remove sweepings from all hard surfaces	Monthly

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Occasional Tasks	Frequency
Permeable Pavements. Brush and vacuum surface once a year to prevent silt blockage and enhance design life.	Annually
Remedial Work	Frequency
Monitor effectiveness of permeable pavement and when water does not infiltrate immediately advise Client of possible need for reinstatement of top layers or specialist cleaning. Recent experience suggests jet washing and suction cleaning will substantially reinstate pavement to 90% efficiency.	As required
INLETS, OUTLETS, CONTROLS AND INSPECTION CHAMBERS	
Regular Maintenance	Frequency
Inlets, outlets and surface control structures Inspect surface structures removing obstructions and silt as necessary. Check there is no physical damage. Trim vegetation 1m min. surround to structures and keep hard aprons free from silt and debris	Monthly Monthly
Inspection chambers and below ground control chambers Remove cover and inspect ensuring water is flowing freely and that the exit route for water is unobstructed. Remove debris and silt. Undertake inspection after leaf fall in autumn	Annually
Occasional Maintenance	
Check topsoil levels are 20mm above edges of baskets and chambers to avoid mower damage	As necessary
Remedial work	Frequency
Unpack stone in basket features and unblock or repair and repack stone as design detail as necessary.	As required
Repair physical damage if necessary.	As required
OVERFLOWS AND FLOOD ROUTES	
Regular Maintenance	Frequency
Overflows. Jet pipes leading from overflow structures annually and check running water through the overflow. Check free flow at next SUDS feature inlet to basin or chamber.	Annually
Overflows. Remove any accumulated grass cuttings or other debris on top of grass weirs or stone filled baskets overflows.	Monthly
Flood Routes. Make visual inspection. Check route is not blocked by new fences, walls, soil or other rubbish. Remove as necessary.	Monthly
Remedial	Frequency

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Overflows. If overflow is not clear then dismantle structure and reassemble to design detail.	As required
PLANTING AND EXISTING VEGETATION	
Regular Maintenance	Frequency
Grass maintenance	
Amenity Grass - Mow all grass verges, paths and amenity grass at 35-50mm with 75mm max. All cuttings to remain in situ	16 visits
Rough grass – Mow at 75-100mm but not to exceed 150mm All cuttings to wildlife piles	4 - 8 visits
Wildflower areas strimmed to 50mm in Sept-Oct or Wildflower areas strimmed to 50mm July and Sept or Wildflower areas strimmed to 50mm on 3 year rotation 30% each year All cuttings to wildlife piles	1 visit 2 visit 1 visit
Ornamental tree & shrub planting. Weed all shrub beds as detailed spec as necessary. Cut back planting from lights, paths and visibility sight lines in late autumn and as necessary. Cut hedges slightly tapered back from base with flat top at specified height. Do not mulch planting adjacent to permeable/ porous paving surfaces. Remove stakes and ties from trees when no longer needed for support and within 3 years of planting. Protect from strimmer damage and remove competitive growth until well established.	4 visits
Native trees & shrub planting. Prune to shape in year 1. Protect trees from strimmer damage and remove competitive growth until well established. Remove stakes and ties from trees when no longer needed for support and within 3 years from planting.	1 visit
Existing trees Check existing trees for safety.	1 visit
Remedial	Frequency
Replace trees and shrubs which fail in the first five years after planting. Carry out tree surgery as necessary.	As Required