

PLANTING NOTES

1. Implementation of soft landscape proposals to be undertaken following completion of main construction works during the 1st available planting season (October to March).
2. Plant material to conform to the National Plant Specification. All plant stock to originate from within the UK. All plant stock, plant handling and planting to be undertaken in accordance with the following British Standard Specifications and Codes of Practice:
- BS 3936:1992 Part1 Nursery Stock – Specification for trees and shrubs;
 - BS 3936:1981 Part10 Nursery Stock – Specification for ground cover plants;
 - BS 4428:1989 – Code of Practice for General Landscape Operations (excluding hard surfaces);
 - BS8545:2014 + A1:2026 – Trees from Nursery to Independence in the landscape – Recommendations; and
 - The Code of Practice 2002 (HTA).

3. Topsoil to be fertile with maximum 35% clay content and 5% minimum organic content, pH 5.8 - 7.5 and to be free of perennial weeds, weed seeds and contamination. Maximum stone content 20% (20mm+ particle size), maximum size of stones 50mm in any direction.
- Existing topsoil to be ameliorated and/or screened, if necessary; to achieve this specification.
 - Imported topsoil to be to BS 3882: Multi-Purpose Grade, from an approved source, and to accord with the above specification.

4. No substitutes to the approved size and species of plants as shown on the plan will be made without prior written approval from the Local Planning Authority.

TREES:

5. Proposed tree to be planted in Deep Root Urban Solutions 'Silva Cell' crated pit in accordance with DRUS standard details with a minimum of 11m3 of soil growing medium area extending under hard areas. Trees to be supported by 2 no. 100mm x 3000mm softwood timber stake and 2 No. adjustable tree tie.

6. As appropriate, proposed tree is to be fitted with 'Greenleaf 'Root-Rain Urban'' irrigation pipe and Inlet, or similar approved, sized as appropriate to aid watering operations.

7. Tree is to be planted with a tree root barrier(s), e.g. 'Greenleaf' Reroot 600 /100 placed between the tree and adjoining services along Oxford Road and within the site. The Contractor is to ascertain the location of all sewers and services prior to carrying out any tree planting to avoid these routes or existing services and to place the root barrier(s) adjacent to the sewer / services route to maximise tree root area.

PLANTING BEDS:

8. Planting beds to have a minimum depth of 450mm topsoil over 150mm broken up ground with all stones over 50mm removed. Soil conditioner: Sanitized and stabilised compost to BSI PAS 100. Apply 50mm depth even coverage and incorporate into topsoil during cultivation operations, to a minimum depth of 150mm. Compost to be Compost Association certified, or from an approved supplier conforming to this specification. If no local supplies are available alternative organic peat free compost may be specified, subject to the Landscape Architect's approval.

9. Hedgerow plants to be planted in pits 150mm wider and deeper than root spread backfilled with excavated topsoil/compost, mixed with 'Sierrablen Flora' slow release fertiliser, quantity in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations. Hedge plants to be planted in staggered rows 500 mm apart at centres specified in schedule.

6. All planting beds to be mulched with matured coniferous bark, with an even particle size between 15 - 65mm, to a minimum depth of 75mm over weed free soil after completion of all planting and watering operations. Bark mulch is to be free from pests, diseases, fungus and weeds; and with no fines or dust. Source and sample of bark mulch to be approved.

ONGOING MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE NOTES:

1. Maintenance operations to be carried out as specified until planting becomes established (year 5 after planting).
2. Shrubs - Weed control measures to continue until canopy of shrubs is closed or for minimum period of three years to original 100mm depth of bark mulch. Weeds are to be cleared by hand or by application of translocated herbicide, with inspections made regularly through the growing season. Prune back any badly damaged shrubs to sound growth. Cut back plants adjacent to paths and access ways where necessary, retaining a balanced shape. Clear litter and debris from planted areas and cut leggy growth hard back to promote bushy growth.

4. Watering – Trees to be watered on weekly basis during growing season (April – October) for first two years. Watering to be from above and via pipe to ensure soaking of ground until field capacity of the soils is reached.

After which, during periods of dry weather apply sufficient water to maintain healthy growth. Allow, at each operation, watering to field capacity.

5. Re-firming - Ensure that all trees and shrubs are firmly bedded in the ground after strong winds, frost heave or other disturbances.

6. Protection/Reinstatement - Regularly inspect all planting and grassed areas, e.g. once a month, for any pest damage or vandalism/damage caused by others. Any damaged to be reported to the Employer and rectified in the next available season by replacement planting or reseeded/ turfing and protective measures if required.

PLANTING SCHEDULE

TREE PLANTING			
Abbr.	Species	Type / Size (cm)	Centres
ACC	Acer campestre 'Streetwise'	H' Std	12 – 14 cm As Shown

SHRUB / CLIMBER PLANTING			
Abbr.	Species	Type / Size (cm)	Centres
ALM	Alchemilla mollis	3-4L Pot	20 – 30 cm 300
BUD	Buddleja davidii 'Black Knight'	10 – 15L Pot	80 – 100 cm As Shown
HEM	Hebe 'Majorie'	3L Pot	30 – 40 cm 600
LAV	Lavandula angustifolia 'Munstead'	3L Pot	25 – 30 cm 600
SKR	Skimmia japonica 'Rubella'	3L Pot	40 – 60 cm 500
SJF	Spiraea japonica 'Firelight'	3L Pot	40 – 60 cm 600

HEDGE PLANTING Planted at staggered centres 500mm apart			
Abbr.	Species	Type/Size (cm)	Centres
ESR	Escallonia 'Red Hedger'	3L Pot	40 – 60 cm 600

NOTE:	
H' Std	= Heavy Standard Tree stock
Pot	= Container grown plants

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A – Tree added to frontage	16-06-2026	DHW

LEGEND

	PROPOSED TREE PLANTING
	EXTENT OF TREE PIT AREA USING SILVA CELL SYSTEM
	PROPOSED SPECIMEN SHRUB PLANTING
	PROPOSED SHRUB / GROUND COVER PLANTING
	PROPOSED HEDGE PLANTING
	PROPOSED ROUTE OF SERVICES

Project:

DEVELOPMENT AT No. 2 BEDFORD ROAD, READING. RG1 7NL

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