

**SPECIFICATION NOTES - REFER ALSO TO THE MEASURED WORKS SCHEDULE**

- A) Setting out  
1. Planting shall be set out exactly as shown on the drawings and measured from existing or shown points. Curved beds shall be set out using radii marked on the ground using two pointer stakes and a line between them or with the marker part. The junction between curves and concrete curbs shall be set out to form a smooth and even finish. The check that all setting out conforms to the plan before cultivation and planting works are carried out. Failure to do so may result in rejection of the work by the landscape architect and may require amendment at the contractor's expense.
- B) Ground preparation  
1. Pre-planting herbicide application - Apply by suitable spraying equipment. An approved tradeable systemic herbicide to the manufacturer's instructions under the 1987 Control of Pesticides Regulations and 2003 COSHH regulations on all areas to be planted except those which are both weed free and are a native grass/straw mulch. Spray immediately after these weeds are present. If none are showing, but there may be a delay before planting on the area to be seeded, spray after one month following cultivation, to allow dormant seed to germinate. All spraying shall be carried out by skilled and qualified operatives, using protective clothing, in suitable weather (no wind) and any damage caused by spray drift, from insecticide or other products, shall be rectified at the contractor's own cost. Repeat as necessary to ensure complete kill and take off of all weed material from site.
- 2. Carry out the following works to the existing topsoil to BS 3882:2015:  
a) Remove all rocks larger than 50mm diameter, concrete, all wire, silt, and leave flat 20% dry. Allow for pre-planting of herbicide as above. Fertilise with 100g per meter square of Hortibase CRF (16-4-12) slow release fertiliser in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. For beds less than 5 metres in width, break up the subgrade and add a 100mm layer of topsoil to a depth of 500mm across where there are areas, or within 10 metres of tree stems or trunks of existing trees. Do not top areas where trees greater than 100mm diameter are encountered.
- 3. Determine before submitting a tender, the extent of the site manager with ground preparation and the extent of all planting beds to be graded to a level 50mm below adjacent grass or paved surfaces (50mm below where signs indicate a match is not specified), within 400mm of edges to ensure bark or wood chip mulches are retained. Where grass is present, then the level shall be at least 100mm below, but never more than 100mm below, the adjacent paved surface to receive sheet mulch. The landscape architect is responsible for ensuring that the final product conforms to the specification even when the developer or main contractor have failed to supply and spread topsoil at the necessary level. The landscape contractor shall allow for adjustment of levels, as specified above, including for retaining subsoil and topsoil. Where beds are to be planted with sheet mulch, allow for sheet mulch and bark or wood chip mulch so that mulch does not sit on top of pavements and also to allow the surface water to drain from paths on to planted areas.
- 4. For sloping areas to be turf adjacent to paved areas, topped levels shall be graded flush with the finished pavement level or to 10mm below to allow surface water to drain from pavements to soft areas. Soil of grass areas shall be levelled before ground is paved. Soil levels more than 10mm below pavement edges will cause moisture damage on cutting.
- 5. Imported topsoil (where specified and sanctioned by the employer) for making up ground, shall conform to BS 3882:2015, and be free from rocks over 50mm diameter, concrete, cobbles, wire and brick, and have less than 20% clay. Such soil shall be conditioned as set above. Characteristics samples shall be approved by the landscape architect before being supplied to site. No imported soil shall be supplied to site without a written instruction.
- C) Planting  
1. All planting must be carried out in accordance to the specification and schedule of quantities accompanying these drawings. Refer to the specification for the preparation of existing topsoil and required depths for planting, turfing, and standard trees, and also for maintenance requirements.  
2. No substitutions will be accepted without the prior agreement of the respective landscape architect. The contractor shall replace at once at his own cost any plants or varieties of which which have not been specified on the planting plan and schedule, unless prior agreement to a substitution by the landscape architect has been received. All plants shall be true to size specified in the schedule of plants and associated notes. (2.5m to 150mm diameter and 15m deep) All shrubs, (other than ground cover) shall be 400-600mm height and spread, or otherwise specified by the contractor by the HPA National Plant Specification and be healthy, healthy, disease free stock, not showing signs of pests. There shall be a minimum of 5 breaks per shrub. This specification is the minimum standard required and any stock falling below this standard in the sole opinion of the respective landscape architect shall be lifted and replaced at the contractor's expense.  
3. All shrubs, herbaceous plants, whips and transplants shall be watered in or planted with 20 litres per square metre. Trees shall be watered in with 25 litres per tree container. Water shall be applied during the contact period at weekly intervals with 30 litres of water.  
4. Proposed large feathered or standard trees to be true to the species, variety and size as specified on the planting plan to include 1.6m chestnut stake 600mm above ground and 1000mm below ground) and 100mm diameter with canopy device positioned 25mm maximum from the top of the post.  
5. Turf to be of cultivated grade such as Rowan 'Meadow' or other of similar quality and source, approved by the landscape architect. The contractor shall replace at once any turf rejected by the landscape architect at his own cost.  
6. Soft draping climbing plants or wall shrubs, with 'S' drain after the drainer name, shall be trained to the wall/fence with heavy duty, plastic coated garden wire. Training wire shall be attached vertically to the wall/fence by means of 125mm long stainless steel eye screw fixings. Position 100mm x 200mm from ground, and 100mm from top of the wall/fence, and string the wire tightly between the fixings. Train the climbing plant to the wire with plastic coated garden wire tags.  
7. Training varieties of climber, with 'T' drain after the drainer's name in specially prepared pits or general shrub beds shall be trained to wall/fence by mounting ready-made trellis panels 1.5 x 1.5m generally 1.0 x 1.0m for corners or where space is restricted. Include for attaching any panels for locations where walls or fences are lower than 1.5m. Fix trellis panels to the wall/fence using non-rusting screws 125mm long (to be approved), incorporating 50mm cube wood spacing blocks to ensure that the panels mounted sufficiently far from the wall/fence to allow leaving of stems. Ensure that all timber is pressure impregnated with a non-phosphate preservative and then painted with a dark brown non-phytotoxic preservative wood stain such as Sadolin 'Classic' or similar and approved. Ensure that the trellis is not in contact with the ground. Train the climbing plant to the trellis with plastic coated garden wire tags.  
8. Climbers specified outside proposed shrub beds shall have specially prepared drainer pits. Climber pits shall be 400mm x 400mm and 500mm deep (maximum size), and be back-filled with topsoil from site - unless otherwise agreed. Ensure the base of the pit is thoroughly broken up and free draining before back fill with topsoil. Ensure no damage to foundations and services, and make good all structures and surfaces disturbed. Fertilise with 50g of Hortibase CRF (16-4-12) slow release fertiliser. Water with 10 litres of water per climber pit.

**GENERAL NOTES**  
- ALL DIMENSIONS IN MILLIMETRES  
- DO NOT SCALE OFF THIS DRAWING  
- ALL DIMENSIONS TO BE CHECKED ON SITE  
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**KEY**

- PROPOSED FEATHERED TREE, INCLUDING STAKE AND TIE. SEE SPECIFICATION NOTES A1, B2-3, B5, C1-4, D1-2 AND E1.
- PROPOSED STANDARD TREE, INCLUDING DOUBLE STAKE AND TIE. SEE SPECIFICATION NOTES A1, B2-3, B5, C1-4, D1-2 AND E1.
- PROPOSED HEAVY STANDARD TREE, INCLUDING DOUBLE STAKE AND TIE. SEE SPECIFICATION NOTES A1, B2-3, B5, C1-4, D1-2 AND E1.
- PROPOSED EXTRA HEAVY STANDARD TREE, INCLUDING DOUBLE STAKE AND TIE. SEE SPECIFICATION NOTES A1, B2-3, B5, C1-4, D1-2 AND E1.
- PROPOSED EXTRA HEAVY STANDARD TREE IN PAWING, INCLUDING NETAL GRILL, TREE GUARD AND UNDERGROUND GUYPING. TREE GRILL SUCH AS BROADWAY SUNBURST SQUARE BX4313 AND MATCHING GUARD. SEE SPECIFICATION NOTES A1, B2-3, B5, C1-4, D1-2 AND E1.
- PROPOSED CONIFER OR BROAD LEAF EVERGREEN TREE, INCLUDING STAKE AND TIE. SEE SPECIFICATION NOTES A1, B2-3, B5, C1-4, D1-2 AND E1.
- SHRUB AND HERBACEOUS PLANTING, INCLUDING BIODEGRADABLE SHEET AND BARK MULCH (ACCORDING TO SPECIFICATION NOTES A1-2, B1-3, C1-3, D1-2 AND E1).
- SHRUB AND HERBACEOUS PLANTING, INCLUDING SHEET AND GRAVEL MULCH (ACCORDING TO SPECIFICATION NOTES A1-2, B1-3, C1-3, D1-2 AND E1).
- GROUND COVER PLANTING IN MIXES, INCLUDING BIODEGRADABLE SHEET AND BARK MULCH (ACCORDING TO SPECIFICATION NOTES A1-2, B1-3, C1-3, D1-2 AND E1).
- HEDGE PLANTING, INCLUDING BIODEGRADABLE SHEET AND BARK MULCH (ACCORDING TO SPECIFICATION NOTES A1-2, B1-3, C1-3, D1-2 AND E1).
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- WASHED, ROUNDED, BUFF COLOURED GRAVEL, 20mm GAUGE, 40mm DEPTH, FINISHED LEVEL 15mm BELOW ADJACENT SURFACES. LAY OVER GEOTEXTILE OVER LIGHTLY CONSOLIDATED SUBGRADE.
- CULTIVATED TURF UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED ON PLAN. SEE SPECIFICATION NOTES B4, C5 AND E1.
- CLIMBING SHRUB IN SHRUB BEDS, GRASS/ GRAVEL OR IN PIT IN PAWING. (SEE PLAN, THINNING VARIETIES (MARKED) WITH NOTE C6. SELF CLIMBING VARIETIES (MARKED) WITH NOTE C8. SEE SPECIFICATION NOTES C1-3, C1-4, D1-2 AND E1).
- SPECIMEN SHRUBS IN SHRUB BEDS OR PIT PLANTED IN GRASS/ GRAVEL AREAS. SPECIMEN SHRUBS IN GRASS ARE MEASURED SEPARATELY IN SCHEDULE OF QUANTITIES. SEE SPECIFICATION NOTES A1, B1-3, C1-3, D1-2 AND E1.
- EXISTING TREE TO BE RETAINED. SEE GENERAL NOTE A1 AND E1, IF PREPARED. SEE ALSO JAMES BLAKE ASSOCIATES PLAN AND SCHEDULE FOR ANY SURGERY WORKS.
- EXISTING VEGETATION GROUP OR HEDGE TO BE RETAINED. SEE GENERAL NOTE A1 AND E1, IF PREPARED. SEE ALSO JAMES BLAKE ASSOCIATES PLAN AND SCHEDULE FOR ANY SURGERY WORKS.
- PLAY AREA EQUIPMENT AND SAFETY SURFACING BY MIRACLE PLAY TEL: 01903 65 240
- TODDLER SWING SB 2032
- MULTIPLAY UNIT SB 1044
- HORSE SPRING ROCKER SB 4042
- SAFETY SURFACING TO BE RESIN BOND RUBBER BARK OR SIMILAR (SUCH AS WETPOUR). DEPTH TO CRITICAL FALL HEIGHT BY PLAY EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURER.
- BENCH BY MIRACLE PLAY SB 5057
- BN WITH LID BY MIRACLE PLAY SB 5085
- 3 X ART SEATS COLOUR RED BY BJB INNOVATIONS TEL: (01787) 246 015.
- BOWTOP PAVING BY MIRACLE PLAY
- TREE ROOT BARRIER SUCH AS RE-ROOT 2000 BY GREEN BLUE URBAN.
- APPROXIMATE TREE GROWTH AFTER 25YEARS.

NOTE  
SEE SEPARATE EXTERNAL LAYOUT DRAWINGS (BY DEVELOPER) FOR SPECIFICATIONS AND ARRANGEMENT OF FENCING AND OTHER HARD WORKS

**FOR PLANT LIST REFER TO SHEET JBA 17/081-06**

**LANDSCAPE PROGRAMMING**  
PLANTS MAY TAKE UP TO 4 WEEKS TO BE DELIVERED. EARLY LEAD-IN FOR SOFT LANDSCAPE IS ESSENTIAL. ALLOW SUFFICIENT TIME TO SOURCE.

CLIENT BOYS HOMES	DWG. TITLE Detail soft landscape proposals for jobs and recentral Public Open Space					
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