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Hi Linda

The information supplied is inadequate in places.

The layout of some of this development is inappropriate. The LAP/LEAP needs to be overlooked

The MUGA is too close to the car park

Detail for the allotments is missing

Soft landscape drawings

INCOMPLETE KEYs on ALL DRAWINGS

Spec for wildflower meadow?

Avoid tiny bits of grass to mow on frontages

Need to have re-inforcing planting for Saltway hedge.

Biodiversity enhancements lacking

Planting round LAP DWG 06

Beech is too high for a hedge

Phlomis won't stand trampling

Plant mix is mostly herbaceous so no interest in winter

Avoid Robinia, it rapidly becomes a nuisance

1909- PL1-09

Vast area of turf which could be planted with native trees and shrubs- wasted opportunity

1909 –PL1 -10

Opportunity for additional planting to hedgerow

1909 – PL1-13

Opportunities for trees planting along hedgerow to west

1909 – PL -14

What is the planting at the edge of the swale or is it a mirage?

What are the plants in front of plots 88 and 89

1909 – PL1 – 16

Planting needed round sub-station/ pumping station. This should not intrude on the existing hedge and should be moved out of the growth area and root zone

1909 – PL1 – 18

Disappointing that there are no Willows, Poplars or Alder near the balancing ponds. Tree species can be used to define character areas

Allotments

Require vehicular access. It isn't clear to me where this is from

Security fence round 2.4 m high

Mains water supply to each plot

2 bays for green waste and a hardstanding for non-compostable waste. All with concrete bases

A notice board

Land to be clean topsoil cultivated to 450mm depth

Our Allotment requirements have been updated:

The Developer is to consult the National Society of Allotment and Leisure Gardeners (NSALG) guidelines:
Creating a new allotment site

Traditionally a standard allotment plot measures 10 poles, roughly the equivalent of 250 square metres, which is enough land to feed a family of four for a year. Often landlords will rent out half plots to help reduce the waiting list time or because tenants have specifically requested a smaller plot.

To enable access for wheelchair users all paths should be no less than 1.5 metres wide preferably measuring 1.7 metres to allow for a wheelchair and ambulant person to travel side-by-side. The main gates should be wide enough to comfortably allow the large delivery vehicles used by hauliers today on to the site.

- Full plot size is 250 square metres (or half plot size of 125 square metres)
- Parking space every two plots
- 1.7 metre wide macadam paths (with kerb edging) for a wheelchair and ambulant person to travel side-by-side
- Grass paths between plots
- Secure fence and gates to the allotment perimeter
- The main gates should be wide enough for large delivery vehicles
- Potable water supplied to every plot
- Concrete haulage ways are to serve each plot
- Haulage way to be 3 metres wide
- Concrete hard standing for 'manure' delivery with unobstructed wheelbarrow access for allotment holders
- Litter bins

- Signage
- Plant boundary hedge (mixed native or single species hedge)

This needs a lot of revising to make it acceptable.

Kind regards
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