



9<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Penny Mills  
West Suffolk Council

By email only

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*Thank you for requesting advice on this application from Place Services' landscape advice services. This provides advice to planning officers to inform West Suffolk Council planning decisions with regard to potential landscape impacts from development. Any additional information, queries or comments on this advice that the applicant or other interested parties may have, must be directed to the Planning Officer who will seek further advice from us where appropriate and necessary.*

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**Application:** DC/20/0614/RM  
**Location:** Land Nw Of Haverhill Anne Sucklings Lane Little Wratting, Suffolk  
**Proposal:** Application for Reserved Matters pursuant to hybrid planning permission SE/09/1283 for Infrastructure comprising of: the internal estate roads, drainage, POS, landscaping, and allotments for Land at North West Haverhill

Dear Penny,

Thank you for re-consulting Place Services on the above application.

With reference to the above-named application and submitted documents received by Place Services on the 30/05/2022, asking for Landscape comments. As per the agreed timescale, our comments on the Reserved Matters Application as submitted are provided below.

As part of this application, the following drawings have been submitted for review:

- Detailed Hard and Soft Landscape Proposals for POS and SUDS (Dwg ref: JBA 18/351 Rev.G)
- Detailed Hard and Soft Landscape Proposals for POS Areas 1 to 3, 5, 7 and 8 (Dwg ref: JBA-18/351 Rev.L)
- Detailed Hard and Soft Landscape Proposals for Infrastructure Areas (Dwg ref: JBA-18/351 12 (Rev. L), 13 and 14 (Rev. G)

#### **Review of submitted information**

Whilst a number of landscape comments have been addressed, there are still some concerns with the current drawings:

- Hedge Mix 04 (Detailed Hard and Soft Landscape Proposals for All Infrastructure Areas and POS for Phase 2-6 - *Dwg ref: JBA 18/351-29 Rev. G*) includes native shrubs but many are ornamental species. We would recommend that alternative species such as *Corylus avellana* and *Crataegus monogyna* are included in the mix.



- The hedgerow should be accompanied by a 3/2-strand wire and timber post fence. The fence should be erected through the centre of the staggered row of hedge to prevent access through the site by pedestrians until the hedge is fully established.
- The Specifications included on the Detailed Hard and Soft Landscaping (Dwg ref: JBA 18/351 Rev. G) makes reference to the spiral guards, although we would expect implementation and removal (after establishment) of guards or fencing to be included in the plan. They should be checked periodically alongside the tree guards and stakes to ensure that they have not fallen over and are not damaging the plant.

Please contact me with any queries.

Yours sincerely

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**Place Services provide landscape advice on behalf of West Suffolk Council**

Please note: This letter is advisory and should only be considered as the opinion formed by specialist staff in relation to this particular matter.