

From: Lowri Hughson-Smith [mailto:lowri@asbriplanning.co.uk]
Sent: 23 April 2014 17:42
To: Geraint Nicholas Roberts
Cc: Jon Wilks
Subject: RE: 13/1279 Herbert Road.

Hi Geraint,

We considered the Landscape Plan in its current form is appropriate however if you are minded to agree with the Landscape Officers comments I would request this information is conditioned. Similarly I would ask that the production of a landscape management plan is also conditioned, which would be standard.

If you want to discuss this further please contact me.

Kind Regards,

Lowri

From: Geraint Nicholas Roberts [mailto:GeraintN.Roberts@newport.gov.uk]
Sent: 23 April 2014 17:36
To: Lowri Hughson-Smith
Subject: FW: 13/1279 Herbert Road.

Dear Lowri

Please see the attached comments of the Council's Landscape Officer. He make a series of suggestions that would necessitate revised landscaping drawings. If you wish to comment please do so in the first instance by Friday 02.05.2014.

From: Richard Wood
Sent: 23 April 2014 16:51
To: Geraint Nicholas Roberts
Cc: Shona Carle; Rhodri Jones
Subject: 13/1279 Herbert Road.

Hi Geraint,

Landscape Comments.

59% of the proposed trees are *Betula pendula*: I would suggest that this percentage be reduced by introducing one or two different species.

Similarly, there are nearly 2,000 *Euonymus fortunei* 'Dart's Blanket' and over 1,800 *Euonymus fortunei* 'Emerald Gaiety'. I would suggest some alternative ground-cover and shrub planting be added to the plant schedule and substituted for a substantial number of these, to lessen their dominance.

The *Phragmites australis* seem to cover some parts of the highest sections of the reed, which would be mostly dry, so may not survive.

As per my previous comment on 20th December 2013, the southern, (and east), side(s) of the central drainage area should have more native shrubs, (in random / natural spacing), at the high level.

Although there are a lot of native shrubs proposed along the top of the river bank, (beyond the otter fence), there are no trees. I would like to see a substantial number of, native, (feathered), trees introduced along this area to create more of a 'lace curtain' effect between the development and River Usk corridor.

Near the road entrance, there is an 'S' shaped wall, which seems unnecessary, (unless it is essential as a retaining structure). Also, in this same entrance area, I would suggest more native planting along the whole length of the boundary, as it currently looks very bare.

Finally, we shall need a landscape management plan to be produced.

Regards,

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