

**APPLICATION NUMBER: 17/0453**

**CONDITION 22 (LANDSCAPING MANAGEMENT)**

**FURTHER COMMENTS 9.6.17**

**Planting Plan**

The planting plan has been submitted, all is OK except the following points:

1. native hedge planting – locations are close to paths and mown verges and species mix includes *Prunus spinosa* (blackthorn) which suckers even through tarmac, this will be an ongoing maintenance problem. Blackthorn will be OK in the buffer planting.
2. native hedge planting density is shown at 3/linear meter, the norm is 5/linear meter and in an urban area the density should be increased.
3. the plan shows ornamental planting 'Vm' and 'Lp' but these are not on the plant schedule.

**Landscape Management Plan**

1. this should link with the Ecological Management Plan but the latter has not been submitted
2. the use of glyphosate is proposed, part of the site is adjacent to a watercourse and alternative methods of weed clearance may be needed to avoid drift affect water-based plants.
3. should include the need to top up the mulch depth throughout the 5 year establishment phase (specified at 50 or 75mm depth).
4. wetland meadow – a cut in early spring is specified, a cut is normally delayed until end July (when seed drops). A cut in spring could remove spring flowers from seeding, this needs to be checked with the Ecological Plan consultants.

Gill Mackley CMLI Mackley Davies Associates Ltd

for Streetscene and City Services