

Email from Mark Ellison dated 22 August 2023. Responses to feedback are set out in green text.

Landscape comments X/23/94736 - Variation to Boorley Gardens Phase 3

General comments

There are many sensible and beneficial amendments.

In future, revisions like this should be made using the same area coverage of drawings as the original set that they replace.

Please label the sheet numbers for the adjoining sheets in ones that you need to revise.

Sheet location plans have been incorporated along with sheet numbers along the edges of the sheet lines.

The relevant plans should have the following comment added;

Shrub areas adjacent to proposed hedges shall be planted with a minimum of 20cm between the ornamentals and the plants forming the hedge to facilitate hedge trimming.

The designer should add in distances appropriate to each pairing.

The note and distances have been added into the key as relevant.

BELL2245311 Sheet 2

Area in front of plot 497.

This planting is now too cramped. The hedge is too close to the house and where there is a strip of shrubs this is too narrow.

The hedge should be moved out by between 1 and 2m away from the house. If this is not possible, the developer will have to provide other options.

Please label the two trees to the northwest corner and one in northeast corner on this plan. Whilst they may not have changed, will still need labels so the enforcement team can check the planting.

The layout for plot 479 (please note plot 497 as referred to is not shown on this sheet so assume comments refer to plot 479) has been amended to provide more space for the garden and associated planting including hedge and shrubs as requested.

Labels have been added as requested for the trees in corners of the sheet.

BELL2245311 Sheet 3

The eastern-most section of the biodiversity/access corridor has a symbol shown with lilac hatched lines. This doesn't appear in the key, so please add to key.

There is also a discrepancy between the key, which states that the '*Proposed hedge in biodiversity link to be 3m wide on southern side 1.2m in height adjacent to houses and 2m along gardens*' and the plan, where the link is drawn at 2.1m width. Please clarify.

The lilac hatched lines (which is tussock) have been added to the key.

The discrepancy has been resolved and width increased to 3m as it is further west.

BELL2245311 Sheet 6

It's really unclear as to what information is included in this sheet. This is where sheet numbers are essential. Sheet numbers and location plans have been added.

The key for the hedge on the south side needs amending because there are two separate widths used in this plan. This has been resolved and changed to 3m.

The area to the north of unit at the eastern end of the biodiversity/access link is confused and requires work.

Having two different hedges of different composition, presumably maintained by different hands isn't likely to work

visually. Please remove the short section of hornbeam hedge and replace with shrubs.

Comments have been addressed and area north of plot 618 amended to shrubs

The changes to the northeast side of unit 640 are mixed. The hedge is a positive introduction.

However, this is too large an area to be treated exclusively by the planting of low growing plants. It would be an attractive area to sit or

play and will provide invaluable shaded space during a hot summer afternoon. There also doesn't appear to be any access. Please introduce a gate into it along the wall enclosing the rear garden. The majority of the surface should be grass, but there is scope for the introduction of larger shrubs which would be visible from the public realm, above

the hedge. These could be complemented by suitable medium and low growing shrubs.

A path and planting as requested along with a path and a gate has been added to north east side of plot 640.

BELL2245311 Sheet 7

The front garden to unit 501 is very prominent. Please give this area more consideration, identifying each species area and introducing taller shrubs where appropriate to create variety and improve visibility of the planting.

The planting for 501 has been amended to include taller species.

BELL2245311 Sheet 9

The large area of sedge plants to the west of unit 568 needs to be redesigned to introduce more variety including some taller shrubs.

The planting has been amended to include a smaller area of taller planting.

Best regards

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