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Subject: FW: H/24/97187 and L/24/97193 - Greywell, High Street, Bursledon, Southampton, SO31 8BL

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Subject: Re: H/24/97187 and L/24/97193 - Greywell, High Street, Bursledon, Southampton, SO31 8BL

Hi Rebecca,

Thanks for forwarding the submitted landscape details on this site.

Generally, looks fine and my comments below relate to the Ross Consulting report dated 6th March 2025.

Slightly unusually, much of the planting appears to have already been undertaken. Most of the trees are planted at small whip sizes but this has benefits in that trees of this size should establish more quickly. Usually we would anticipate at least standard sized trees but I am comfortable with the smaller stock, not least because it is already planted.

My comments:

a/ NP1 - 10 Norway Maple have been planted. These trees are non-natives and will likely swamp the Beech as they are a vigorous species. These should be replaced with native Field Maple (*Acer campestre*) which I assume was the original intention. The failed Beech should be replaced with new whip planting (note: Beech establish better as container grown stock).

b/ All new hedge planting should be spread with 75mm deep medium grade bark mulch (carefully spray off existing weed growth first with translocated herbicide).

c/ Looking at the recent site photos the areas of species rich grass do not appear to have yet been installed and should be implemented in late spring.

d/ The 2 no. Hibernacula a yet to be installed.

e/ The area below is blank but appears to be within the red line. Why is no detail provided for this area? Please clarify.

