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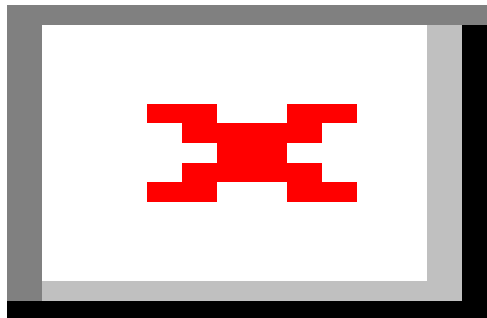
Subject: RE: Little Wakering Road - Higgins

Seems a shame to lose that green infrastructure at a key point for the town. However, if it causes constraint on the highway then there is little else but to accept the alternative planting positions.

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Subject: RE: Little Wakering Road - Higgins

Good morning Katie,

Thanks for your email.

We drew a design for adding in trees back in the same location remove as per the below request from James as we need to remove the current trees for reasons already explained by Sharon Hosegood Associates, but unfortunately we have had to consult Essex Highways who have rejected the proposal based on proximity to the adopted cycle path, as well as utilities in close proximity – see email attached FYI.

We therefore attach our original proposal with 6 no new birch trees within the attenuation basin.

Can you please confirm if this proposal is acceptable

Regard

Aaron O'Rourke | Senior Projects Co-ordinator

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Hi Aaron,

James has queried why it is not possible to replace within the existing area of the trees?

The trees do not need to be beech or oak, they can be liquidambar or such like and fastigiated if suitable. It has been suggested that there is also some tree cover alongside the village sign to replace the amenity lost.

Kind Regards,

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Subject: RE: Little Wakering Road - Higgins
Importance: High

Good afternoon James/Claire/Katie,

As per the below email thread regarding the removal of the T25 tree on Southend road due to safety reasons, see attached our proposal for addition of 3no silver birch trees within the attenuation pond.

The reasoning behind proposing birch trees as a like for like instead of the 3 no showy specimens is as follows (wording from our landscape architect);

In spite of the considerable service constraints within the public open space, there are over 70 new trees proposed in this area, including many large growing species including Maples, Hornbeam, Liquidamber and Limes. The proposal of additional Copper Beech, Oaks etc (very large growing trees) is simply not possible unless we start infilling the remaining open spaces that the existing tree planting proposals define – which we would prefer not to do.

We instead offer like for like replacement of the smaller growing birch trees adjacent the SUDs basin. Is that acceptable?

Could you please review this proposal and confirm if this would be acceptable?

Regards

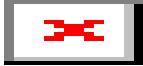
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Thanks James

That is really helpful

Aaron, if I can be of further assistance, do not hesitate to contact me and advise if you wish me to liaise with the Landscape Architect directly

Have a great Christmas

Kind regards

Sharon

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Hi Sharon

Have spoken with the PC and apparently they no longer have an interest in the land.

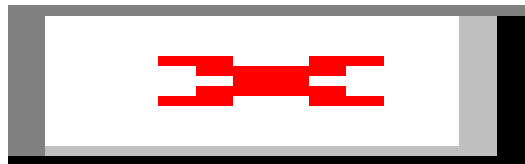
I would suggest 3 super heavy standard 'showy' specimens perhaps copper beech if the site constraints permit.

Kind regards

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Subject: RE: Little Wakering Road - Higgins

Thanks James

This will be passed to the landscape architect by the client

Kind regards

Sharon

From: James Choat <James.Choat@Rochford.gov.uk>
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To: Sharon Durdant-Hollamby <Sharon@sharonhosegoodassociates.co.uk>
Subject: Re: Little Wakering Road - Higgins

EXTERNAL EMAIL

Hi Sharon

Can I come back to you, I would like to speak with the landowner.

I am just thinking what if we went for less but something showy and a bit larger. Perhaps 2 or 3 heavy standard copper beech / scarlet oak / liquidambar.

I do prefer native trees normally but this is a key site and as it becomes more urbanised something different may appeal.

What do you think Sharon, you have a good planting eye for these type sites?

Kind regards

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Subject: RE: Little Waking Road - Higgins

Hi James

Thanks for your response – I do not know about land ownership

I agree it would be better to have a mix of species, but was playing it safe for your approval.

How about: 3 silver birch; 2 rowan, 1 hornbeam, 2 field maple, 1 hawthorn, 1 hazel and 1 cherry? Total of 11 trees?

Kind regards

Sharon

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Hi Sharon

Nice to hear from you.

Have the trees been removed. I think they are owned by the parish council. Have you informed the owner? A net gain of 1 is a bit tight, is there suitable room for additional, or perhaps some better specimens other than birch?

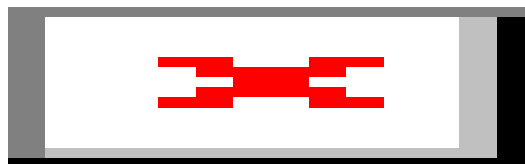
Mike are you the officer dealing with this one? see attached. The developer is having to remove / has removed trees due to services and highway upgrade constraints. It will result in the loss of some silver birch and hawthorn at key point / entrance to Gt Wakering. The trees are not the best and are constrained by overhead services and tight planting centres. I am happy with the recommendation but would prefer different species to be replanted – perhaps something with more visual amenity value.

Kind regards

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Subject: Little Wakering Road - Higgins

Hi James

Hope you are well, it has been a while since we have spoken

Please see attached the site supervision notes for this site. Sadly, despite Higgins and I working hard to keep birch trees on the frontage, the requirements of Essex County Highways and the gas utility result in tree removal. All is explained in the attached. The trees will be replaced plus an additional tree this winter.

Do not hesitate to contact me with any queries

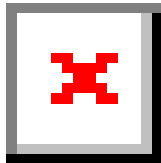
Kind regards

Sharon

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