

## OUTLINE SPECIFICATION (FOR PLANNING)

### STANDARD OF OPERATIONS

All works shall be carried out in accordance with good professional horticultural practice by qualified and experienced staff. Works shall comply with all relevant and current British Standards and codes of practice including:

Topsoil: BS 3882: 2015 Multipurpose Grade

Nursery Stock: BS 3634: 1-9

Turf: BS 3689: 1989: 1-4:1: 2013

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### PLANNING

Planting material to be supplied in accordance with HTA National Plant Specification.

All plant material to be of local provenance wherever possible and from local supplier.

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## MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

### Planting Plants Used as Ground Cover:

Planting: General

- Carrots or other support. Remove.

- Arrangement: Spread stems.

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### General Requirements for Site Clearance, Preparation and Cultivation

Old foundations, walls and the like in areas to be planted seeded: break out in locations and to the extents stated by engineer.

Foreign matter: On visual inspection, areas to be planted or seeded to be free of fragments and roots of aggressive weeds, sticks, straw, etc.

Soil: pieces of brick, concrete, glass, wire, large lumps of clay or vegetation, and the like.

Decontamination: Do not use topsoil contaminated with rubbish or other materials that are:

- Corrosive, explosive or flammable.

- Hazardous to human or animal life.

- Detrimental to healthy plant growth.

Purity: Free of pests and disease.

Subsoil: In areas to receive topsoil or planting media, do not use subsoil contaminated with the above materials.

Openwork: In areas where conditions or symptoms of soil contamination are discovered on the site or in topsoil or planting media to be imported:

- Grading: In accordance with BS 6801.

General: Grading to smooth flowing contours to achieve specified finished levels of topsoil.

Areas of thicker topsoil: Excavate locally.

Excess subsoil: Remove.

Subsoil Surface Preparation

Standard: In accordance with BS 3882.

General: Excavate and/or place fill to required profiles and levels.

Lossing: When ground conditions are sufficiently dry to allow breaking up of soils, loosen thoroughly to specified depth.

Soil: Dry to specified depth.

Stiff clay and cohesive subsoils: 150mm

Rock and chalk subgrades: Lightly scarify to promote free drainage.

Wet conditions: Do not loosen subsoils.

Stones: Immediately before spreading topsoil, remove stones larger than 75mm.

Remove: From site, all coarse rubble or materials greater than 75mm in diameter, remove to designated facility.

Preparation of Unsubsoiled Topsoil:

Standard: In accordance with BS 4428.

Grading and cultivation: Surface cultivation and regulation within the topsoil depth.

Hard ground: Break up