Bank End Road, Barnsley – Woodland Area
LANDSCAPE MANGEMENT PLAN – FIRST FIVE YEARS

OBJECTIVES

The planting scheme aims to:

- augment the existing blocks of native self seeded and planted shrubs and trees for wildlife habitat.
- promote a continuation of native tree cover on the site to link with the existing woodland and tree cover on each side of the site.

The management plan describes procedures to ensure that the plants survive and grow to reach their full potential.

HEALTH & SAFETY

- all operations shall be carried out fully in accordance with the prevailing H & S legislation, and any other relevant legislation, British or European Standards and Codes of Practice.
- additionally, all chemical treatments including herbicides shall be used fully in accordance with the manufacturers instructions and advice.
- additionally, advice and instruction shall be sought from relevant bodies such as the Environment Agency, DEFRA, where applicable.
- all operations shall be carried out to good horticultural, arboricultural etc. practice.
- all equipment and personal equipment shall be maintained to good working standards.

PLANTING GENERALLY

TREES & NATIVE TRANSPLANTS & SHRUBS

- Encroaching groundcover ivy stems shall be cut back to maintain a clear 500mm dia. area around the base of each plant.
- An area of min. 500mm dia. around the base of each tree/ transplant/ shrub shall be kept grass and weed free with glyphosate herbicide application 3 x per year. (April, July & October.) Spray nozzles shall be guarded and application shall be in suitable temperatures and on a still day to avoid spray drift. Dead weed growth shall be removed from site after a suitable time has elapsed.

GUARDS, TIES & STAKES

- All guards and canes shall be inspected regularly and repaired, replaced or adjusted as necessary to maintain protection. Spiral guards shall be maintained for as long as they function adequately, when redundant they shall be removed from site.
- Any fly tipping which occurs shall be cleared from site at each visit.

PRUNING

Shrubs and trees, both existing and newly planted, shall be allowed to mature to attain their natural shape. Pruning shall be in accordance with good horticultural and arboricultural practice and undertaken seasonally or when necessary to:

- Remove dead, damaged, or diseased growth and removed from site.
- Remove crossing or rubbing growth particularly on trees.
- Maintain visibility for safety beside roads and paths.
- Maintain accessibility beside paths.
- Maintain and promote dense bushy growth.

DISEASE

- The planting shall be periodically checked for disease infection. Any such found shall be brought to the attention of the site manager and suitable professional advice taken to stop the spread and eradicate the disease.

LOSSES

- Any plant which dies shall be removed from site and replaced during the next planting season with healthy stock of same species and similarly guarded & staked

FUTURE MANAGEMENT

- Advice shall be sought for the future management of the planting beyond 5 years, in the light of the conditions prevailing at the time.

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