



A VILLAGE GREEN

An existing TPO lime tree (T1), is retained right at the entrance to the site. The existing tarmac is carefully broken up and replaced with a low-maintenance grassed area rich in spring bulbs. This new 'green' is bounded by a low timber knee rail with a gate for maintenance access.

B ACCESS ROAD

The new access road and pedestrian link lead from Fields Park Drive into the site swing around the existing lime tree. A vehicle barrier cross the access road controls 'out of hours' access.

C FOOTPATH LINK

A pedestrian footpath and crossing leads from the site entrance around the existing tree and delivers pedestrians directly to the main entrance of the Primary Care Centre. The pathway will need a lightweight construction to avoid root damage. An avenue of trees set in low maintenance grass flank either side of the footpath.

D PRIMARY CARE CENTRE

The new Primary Care Centre building sited to the west of the application site, away from the residences to the east. The main entrance to the reception and pharmacy is gained from the north via the arrival space.

E CAR PARK

Car parking provision for 74 cars including four disabled bays, is located around the eastern and southern sides of the site. Disabled parking lies next to the building entrance.

F EASTERN BUFFER

The existing hedge line is retained (as shown) and reinforced with new planting of mixed native species to create a wide, dense buffer, screening views from adjacent residential properties. Existing boundary railings along the track are retained and refurbished. A margin of ground cover is planted to edge of the parking bays.

G SOUTHERN BUFFER

A mix of native species is to be planted to extend the dense buffer between the site's southern boundary edge and the new proposed car park. A line of specimen native trees punctuates the buffer strip and gives it early maturity.

L BUILDING NORTHERN FRONTAGE

Rows of low hedges in grass with fastigate trees are set parallel to building frontage to offer screening to the ground floor treatment and consulting rooms. A 400mm wide ornamental loose gravel trim at the building edge provides a mowing strip and accommodates all drainage and services along the building edge.

M RAIN-GARDEN NORTH WEST

A semi-public garden space, viewed from the main entrance or from within the building, is contained to the north by the boundary hedgerow and existing trees. The area is a shallow, gently sloping depression that holds rainwater runoff and acts as a habitat resource. The depression is laid out in a bold sinuous form and planted with a tessellated pattern of native wetland edge species, such as wildflowers, sedges and rushes. An ornamental conifer reflects the Victorian style original planting of the site.

N RAIN GARDEN SOUTH EAST

An accessible and useable garden space, enclosed from the car park by rows of clipped ornamental hedges, is created to the south eastern side of the new building.

This area contains the second 'rain garden', again laid out in a sinuous form and planted with a tessellated pattern of native wetland edge and wildflower species. This space has a southern aspect and species will differ from the northern garden, including, for instance, colourful herbaceous perennials. A paved seating area is provided with tables and access directly from the building. Trees and planting alongside the footpath soften views from the waiting and reception area.

H WESTERN BUFFER

The dense native shrub and tree planting continues and wraps around the western boundary, with the existing fence retained along the adjoining boundary of St Benedict's School playing fields. Mature sycamore, beech and horse-chestnut trees off site screen views in from the playing fields and Alne valley to the south west. An existing TPO lime tree (T20) is retained, just off site.

J NORTHERN HEDGE

A native species hedgerow with specimen trees defines the northern boundary, connecting the site entrance at Fields Park Drive with the western landscape buffer. The site boundary is defined by an estate railing, painted black. Provision is made at J1 for a wide gate to permit maintenance access into the vacant land to the north. This temporary access for maintenance across the verge is a reinforced surfaced with an interlocking a 'grass grid' system.

K ARRIVAL SPACE

A landmark art feature creates the focal point to the new paved space joining the footpath link and car park to the building main entrance. 'Sheffield' style cycle stands provide parking provision for eight bikes for public use outside the main entrance. The space is defined by timber bollards and rectilinear planting of colourful and scented ornamental hedging giving strong contrast to aid wayfinding. The paved surface extends from the building entrance across the access road to give a hardstanding for a mobile MRI scanning unit and other visiting vehicles.

P STAFF & THERAPY GARDEN

The more private garden and therapy space is situated to the south west of the building. Elevated views of this garden are gained from the external terrace at first floor level. A row of 'Sheffield' style cycle stands provides parking provision for staff under the upper terrace. A bitmac path leads around the space, via seating a dining areas to allow exploration of demonstration edible and medicinal-themed planting.

- NOTES:
1. Based on Architects Site Layout, drawing 653-101 Rev H.
2. Refer also to Symbiosis tree survey.

- REVISIONS:
A 23rd August 2010/wb. Scale altered and car park spaces relabelled.

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