

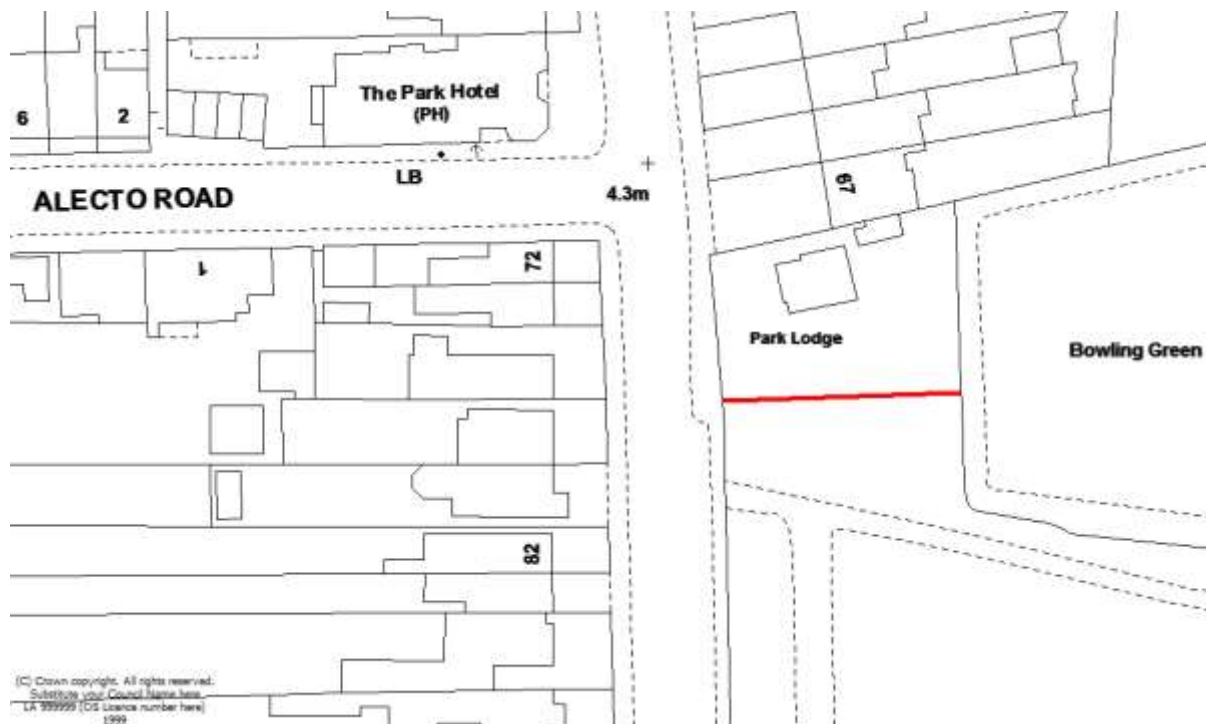
Quotation request for Gosport Park to supply and plant new beech hedge (*Fagus sylvatica*) on the boundary with Park Lodge.

Gosport Borough Council require approximately 26 metres of new hedging to be planted on the boundary between Gosport Park and Park lodge, Park Road Gosport PO12 2HQ

The work includes removal of an existing privett hedge, cultivation and planting as detailed in the specification below.

The works are required to be completed by 31st March 2020.

Location plan.



SPECIFICATION

PRIOR TO PLANTING

Timing of operations

Operations shall not be carried out during periods of inclement weather, i.e. rain, frost, or when ground is water-logged.

Services

The Contractor shall be responsible for checking that underground services will not be disturbed during shrub removal operations. We advise that service maps requested 08.11.2019 show no services cross this area.

Ground preparation and soil

Where instructed by the Authorised Officer, existing planting shall be removed including all broken roots.

The area shall be cultivated to a minimum depth of 250mm but care shall be taken to ensure that trees, shrubs and other plants being retained are not damaged.

The Contractor shall make good levels by incorporating additional top soil/organic matter approved by the Authorised Officer.

The Phosphorus (P), Potassium (K) and Magnesium (Mg) contents of the soil shall be adjusted so that they fall within the ranges indicated in Clause 6 of the Shrub Maintenance Specification.

Following cultivation, the area shall be evenly consolidated and levelled.

Materials

All materials are to be supplied by the contractor, the contractor shall also be responsible for calculating required quantities and ensuring that materials conform to all relevant British Standards.

Following cultivation the area to be planted shall be covered by a suitable geotextile weed suppressant liner and secure liner by tucking the edges below the soil at the perimeters of the planting area or by use of pegs recommended for landscape use. All materials to be identified in the contractors method statement.

PLANTING

Supply of plants and shrubs

All planting materials shall be supplied by the contractor.

Quantity of 90 *Fagus sylvatica* bare root or in a pot height 1200mm to 1500mm.

To be planted in a double staggered row at centres of 450mm.

Note: The contractor is to measure site and determine the quantity of plants, the above figure is based on 26m linear distance.

Planting instructions

Planting shall be carried out during between 1st November and 31st March, unless otherwise instructed by the Authorised Officer.

Planting shall normally take place on the day of delivery, but if planting is delayed for whatever reason, the Contractor shall ensure that the plants are kept in a secure, frost-free place and are maintained in a health condition.

Planting shall be suspended during periods of frost, heavy rain, water-logged conditions and periods of drought.

The planting material or soil shall be treated with Mycorrhiza where the species planted will benefit.

Any damage roots shall be pruned back to sound plant tissue prior to planting.

All plants shall be planting in accordance with the recognised horticultural practice for the type and variety concerned, and the same depth at which they have been previously grown.

Planting shall generally be carried out in a random pattern and shrubs/whips shall not be planted in rows except as directed by the Authorised Officer, e.g. when planting a hedge.

Pruning

The Contractor shall prune back any damaged branches in accordance with recognised horticultural practice.

Watering

Watering shall be carried out as often as necessary in order that the shrubs/whips maintain active, turgid growth throughout the first spring and summer following planting.

Replacement shrubs

Any shrub/whips which are damaged during transit, or die before planting, or die during the twelve month period following planting, or are stolen shall be replaced by the Contractor at his expense whether as a result of negligence in horticultural practice or as a result of vandalism.

Arisings

All arisings shall be removed to the Contractor's tip within 24 hours and after planting the site shall be left clean and tidy.

QUOTATION PROCESS

Please email any enquiries through the South East Business Portal, please also return quotations via the business portal.