

# King George V Park replanting proposal

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This plan is to accompany works order 06258 which is a package of tree removals and pruning for the park. The works order recommends the removal of 61 trees; this is a proposal for replanting of 40 trees and 25 shrubs. The tree removals should be undertaken first—this will create room for the new trees to be planted.

## Specification for tree planting:

- Trees to be planted between 1 December and 30 March during the dormant period.
- The CEC tree officer (Ruthe Davies) will attend in advance of the planting to mark the locations on the ground.
- Trees should be planted at the correct depth and in accordance with the recommendations in BS8545:2014, *Trees: from nursery to independence in the landscape—Recommendations*.
- The trees should be supplied containerised in standard size or larger.
- Each tree to have a protection system formed of a 1.5 metre weldmesh guard, three 7ft round, pressure-treated wood stakes, and three tree ties and fasteners. Weldmesh guard to be set 15m from the ground to allow access for weeding.
- Each tree to have a woodchip mulch to the width of the guard, in a donut shape, not touching the trunk in the centre.
- Fruit trees are to be a mix of edible fruits (apples, pears, plums) depending on availability in the planting year.
- If any species cannot be obtained, please consult with the tree officer ([Ruthe.Davies@edinburgh.gov.uk](mailto:Ruthe.Davies@edinburgh.gov.uk)) to agree an alternative.

## Specification for shrubs:

- The shrub planting is to be a mix of *Prunus lusitanica*, *Buxus sempervirens*, *Fatsia japonica*, *Viburnum tinus*, *Mahonia* and *Rhododendron*.
- Shrubs are to be sourced in 5-10 litre pots and can be planted without a protection system.

## Aftercare:

- The trees and shrubs should be watered weekly from the start of April until the end of September for the first two years after planting.
- At the end of the second growing season the tree ties should be removed from the trees, but the stakes and guards should be left in place.
- Any tree which dies within the first three years is to be replaced.

# Tree planting plan

