

APPENDIX 2
MAINTENANCE SPECIFICATION + CODES

WEED CONTROL	
Code	<p>The contractor shall treat weed growth BY THE MOST APPROPRIATE MEANS (generally chemically, mechanically or by hand AS MANY TIMES AS NECESSARY in order to keep the areas under reasonable control and not allowing weeds to go to seed. The contractor shall not apply pesticide to control weed or grass growth in or next to water courses.</p> <p>The contractor shall not apply pesticides to control weed or grass growth within herbaceous or annual borders or beds. Within the herbaceous planting beds identified on the maps the contractor shall usually treat weed growth BY HOEING OR HAND WEEDING as many times as necessary to ensure that the controls meeting the SO's satisfaction</p>
W1	Base of bushes/hedges twice/year Apr-May and Sept/Oct
W2	Base of trees twice/year (1 to 1.5ft diameter)
W3	Hard Standing/Parking/Footpaths
W4	Around Street Furniture/water troughs
W5	Around access points
W6	Hand weeding
W7	Bridges
W8	Street Furniture - Including but not limited to Benches, Bins, Posts, Height Barriers, Notice Boards

GRASS CUTTING	
Code	<p>The Contractor shall cut grass, with appropriate machinery, to meet the quality standards set out in codes below. The Contractor should note that certain areas may need to be cut more frequently than others sharing the same specification to achieve and maintain the same objective.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Long Grass shall be allowed to grow to the length appropriate to the species present on the site. **</p>
G1	Allotment Riding 12 X per year taking seasonality and weather conditions into consideration Between March and October Strim edges
G2	Wild Areas cut only twice each year usually April and September to a height of 250mm **
G3	Allotment Open areas/orchards (6 x per year between March and October)
G4	Village Green, cylinder mower cut. 15 times/year, one cut carried out during week preceding village fete (TBC)
G5	Other open areas (12 X per year between March and October)
**	Must comply with legislation on GCN sites. (Great Crested Newts)

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HEDGE CUTTING	
Code	<p>The Contractor shall generally perform ornamental hedge cutting works, using the appropriate equipment, twice during each year or as otherwise stated in the Maintenance Specification, for the first time in early July and for the second time at the end of September or early October to meet standards.</p> <p>In the absence of specific dimension the Contractor shall remove this seasons' growth following the existing profile to maintain the hedge. Hedgerow planting may be maintained with tractor mounted side arm flails provided that they cut cleanly without leaving ragged ends where approved by the SO.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">For hard growth and ornamental hedges, only reciprocating blade cutting machinery shall be used.</p>
H1	Internal Hedge
H2	External Hedge
H3	Top Hedge

TREES	
Code	<p>If any tree defect is found within a tree during the course of carrying out work which would render the specified work inappropriate or inadequate, the Contract shall cease work and notify the SO. Where such a defect constitutes an imminent threat to public safety or property, the Contractor shall take appropriate action to exclude the public from the area of danger, notify the SO immediately, and protect the location until the SO issues further instructions.</p>
T1	Epicormic Growth Removal annually
T2	Orchard pruning allotments annually
T3	annual inspection of entire trees estate, notify PC identify any H&S situations.
T4	Pruning of street/footpath trees overhanging branches into property and highway to the required height.

WOODLAND	
Code	The Contractor shall prune back using appropriate equipment, all dead, damaged or diseased wood to its point of origin.
WL1	Thin out once/year

SHRUB MAINTENANCE	
Code	The Contractor shall perform pruning once a year and recommended ongoing long term maintenance
S1	Cut once/year on inside of shrubs
S2	Keep cut back as necessary, keep current height to one meter deep

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ALLOTMENT PLOT MAINTENANCE	
Code	Detail
A1	Spray only
A2	Spray and strim
A3	Flood/Vacant plots (include in annual maintenance cost/site) 6 X per year. Not allowing weeds to go to seed.

BROOK/DRAINAGE CHANNEL	
Code	Ditches are to be managed as weed free in order to maintain their aesthetic appearance and performance capabilities.
B1	Strim banks down to water level 3 X per year between April and October

The Contractor is required to adhere to all relevant legislation