

MEMORANDUM

From:	Stuart Ryder Landscape Architect (Consultant)		
Service	WBC Landscape and Trees	App No:	251827
Address:	University Of Reading Library, Shinfield Road, Reading, RG6 6EB.		
Proposal:	Full application for the proposed installation of a new substation, standby generator and associated below ground cabling to serve the Library and Park House, plus removal of end of service life substations to Library and Park House.		
Type of Development:	Minor All other developments		
Site Visit Made:	/No		

Summary Of Recommendations

- ☐ No comment
☒ No objection
☐ No objection subject to conditions (and reasons) **stated below**
☐ Request further information before determination as **stated below**
☐ Objection due to the reason(s) **stated below**

Comments On Proposal

There has now been follow-up information supplied that addresses the following matters identified in my previous note.

- Soft landscape plan and plant schedule detailing the replacement stock to fill the location of the demolished kiosk building.
- Identification of T1 and ideally a photograph of the large shrub in its current context.
- Location and extent of G4 that is proposed for removal.

Thank you for forwarding this information that has confirmed I have no further comments to make or concerns about the landscape and visual effects arising from the proposals.

I would however recommend two specific Landscape Planning Conditions. The first relating to the upkeep of the landscape works for 5 years after completion and the second considering tree protection on Site.

Conditions & Reasons (if required)

Landscaping

Planting shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details in the first planting and seeding seasons following the occupation of the building(s).

Any trees or plants which, within a period of 5 years from the date of the planting (or within a period of 5 years of the occupation of the buildings in the case of retained trees and shrubs) die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased shall be replaced in the next planting season with others of similar size and species or otherwise as approved in writing by the local planning authority.

Reason

To ensure adequate planting in the interests of visual amenity. Relevant policy: Core Strategy policy CP3 and Managing Development Delivery Local Plan policies CC03 and TB21.

Retention of trees and shrubs

No retained tree shall be cut down, uprooted or destroyed, nor shall any retained tree be topped or lopped other than in accordance with the approved plans and particulars, without the written approval of the local planning authority. If within a period of five years from the date of the planting of any tree that tree, or any tree planted in replacement for it, is removed, uprooted or destroyed or dies, another tree of the same species and size as that originally planted shall be planted at the same place, unless the local planning authority gives its written consent to any variation.

Reason

To secure the protection throughout the time that development is being carried out, of trees, shrubs and hedges growing within the site which are of amenity value to the area. Relevant policy: Core Strategy policy CP3 and Managing Development Delivery Local Plan policies CC03 and TB21

Date:	14/10/25	Signed:	Stuart Ryder
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