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SUPPORTING INFORMATION accompanying Full Planning Application.

Reference: New Access at Millbrook Trout Farm, Mill Lane, Fovant, Salisbury, SP3 5JP.

Hedge Translocation:

Please see drawings 201 and 202 for existing and proposed hedge positioning.

Method

Approximately 40 linear metres of mixed hedgerow to be translocated (as indicated on entrance planting detail plan attached) will be cut to a height of 300 – 500mm at times to prevent birds nesting.

A trench will be dug at the receptor area immediately prior to the hedge translocation to prevent the receptor trench drying out. The base of the receptor trench will be scarified and slow-release fertilizer (20:4:10 N:P:K with mycorrhizal additive) and water-retaining gel will be spread along the trench.

The hedgerow will be dug out in sections (approx. 1.5m width x 1m length) across the line of the hedge to a depth of at least 1m using a tracked excavator with the largest ditching bucket available.

During the excavation, a chainsaw will be used to free roots and branches where necessary to prevent them being torn. Sections of hedge with thick horizontal stems will be moved without severing the stems and will be transported immediately to the receptor trench before the next section of hedge is excavated.

These hedge sections will be placed in the receptor trench in the order in which they were removed and soil used to backfill any voids and gaps. Subsequent watering during in the following weeks and months will be undertaken in dry conditions.

Long-term Landscape Management and Maintenance Plan (min 5 years)

- *Trim hedgerow annually during correct season to obtain a dense, semi-formal shaped hedge to a height of 1.2m ultimate height.*
- *Replace any mixed hedge sections that are dead or failing to thrive in the winter of each year, laying if required.*
- *Water hedgerow if drought conditions occur.*

I can also confirm any landscape proposals shown on drawing no. 202 shall be implemented during the planting season November – March inclusive, immediately following commencement of the development and the landscaping management and maintenance carried out as described.