

Requirements for planters and planting

I have now heard from Essex County Council regarding their requirements to grant consent for planters and planting around the gates but there is some specific information required so I would be grateful if you could consider the following to enable the matter to proceed –

Planting

1. I have to provide a plan with the exact location of the planting/planter
Please decide –
Do you want to plant straight into the ground around the gates or in a planter?

Where do you wish to position the planter/plants in relation to the gate?

Where do you wish the planters to go that are not adjacent to gates i.e. on the other side of the road?

Do you wish to leave the situation relating to Back Lane until the new gate has been installed for the time being as the precise position is yet to be decided?
2. What species does the Parish Council intend to plant?
Please decide –
As ECC are being so specific please give me an indication of what you want and I can make enquiries with companies as to cost etc.
3. If planting is straight into the ground rather than into a planter then the depth of the hole, area and dimension of planting and time when the planting will occur must be clarified
Please decide
Do you want to plant into the ground or use planters in each location? If planting into the ground how large do you want the area to be?
4. In relation to planters it is stated that only flowers may be put in them (which may influence your decision as to whether to use planters in every location or not?)
Please decide
Where you want to have planters and where you wish to plant into the ground
5. What style of planter (tub/trough/saddle) together with material and dimensions are requested together with a photo of the proposed planter.
Please decide
What sort of planter you are looking to acquire?

For any planting/planters it is stated that it must be 0.5 metres back from the edge of the kerb or footway and consideration of the spread of planting must be taken into consideration so that no sight lines of forward visibility must be obscured

Finally any application must also have the support of the local County Councillor i.e. Mike Steel.

Once the information is supplied a consent document will be produced for signature but if the terms and conditions are not complied with then ECC reserves the right to remove and dispose of the plants/planters so it is important to get this right.

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