

Planting Scheme

Submitted in discharge of Condition 3 of Full Planning Permission P/26/0024
Site: 2 Parc Wenallt, Treharris, Merthyr Tydfil, CF46 5HX | Applicant: Mr James Jones | Date: July 2026

1. Purpose

This planting scheme is submitted to Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council for approval in discharge of Condition 3 of planning permission P/26/0024 (decision dated 13 March 2026) for the erection of timber decking in the rear garden. Condition 3 requires details of a planting scheme to include a hedgerow and/or trees alongside the rear and side garden boundary (adjacent to the decked area), together with a timescale for implementation.

The scheme proposes a native species hedgerow along the rear and side garden boundaries adjacent to the decked area, in the interest of visual amenity and the natural environment, in accordance with Policies SW11 and EnW1 of the Merthyr Tydfil Replacement Local Development Plan.

2. Description of Planting

A new native hedgerow will be planted alongside the rear and side garden boundary adjacent to the decked area, as shown on the planting plan (page 2): the run commences at the end of the decked area (which adjoins the neighbouring extension and part of the neighbouring garden wall), follows the side boundary along the remainder of the neighbouring garden wall, and continues along the curved rear garden boundary. The hedgerow will be planted as a double staggered row of bare-root whips (40–60 cm in height on planting) at 5 plants per linear metre, with rows approximately 35 cm apart and plants at approximately 40 cm centres within each row, offset between rows. Planting will be set approximately 50 cm inside the boundary line to allow the hedge to thicken without overhanging adjoining land.

The hedgerow will be allowed to establish and will thereafter be maintained at a height of approximately 1.5–1.8 m, providing effective screening of the decked area at the rear and side boundaries.

3. Species Schedule

Species (common name)	Species (botanical name)	Proportion	Stock / size
Hawthorn	<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	50%	Bare-root whip, 40–60 cm
Hazel	<i>Corylus avellana</i>	15%	Bare-root whip, 40–60 cm
Blackthorn	<i>Prunus spinosa</i>	15%	Bare-root whip, 40–60 cm
Holly	<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>	10%	Bare-root whip, 40–60 cm
Dog rose	<i>Rosa canina</i>	10%	Bare-root whip, 40–60 cm

All species are UK native and characteristic of hedgerows in the locality. Species will be intermixed along the run. Each whip will be planted with a cane and spiral guard and the planting strip mulched with bark to a depth of approximately 50 mm to suppress weeds and retain moisture.

4. Timescale for Implementation

All planting will be carried out in the first available bare-root planting season following the Council's written approval of this scheme, and in any event **between 1 November 2026 and 31 March 2027**. Planting will be undertaken in suitable weather conditions (not into frozen or waterlogged ground).

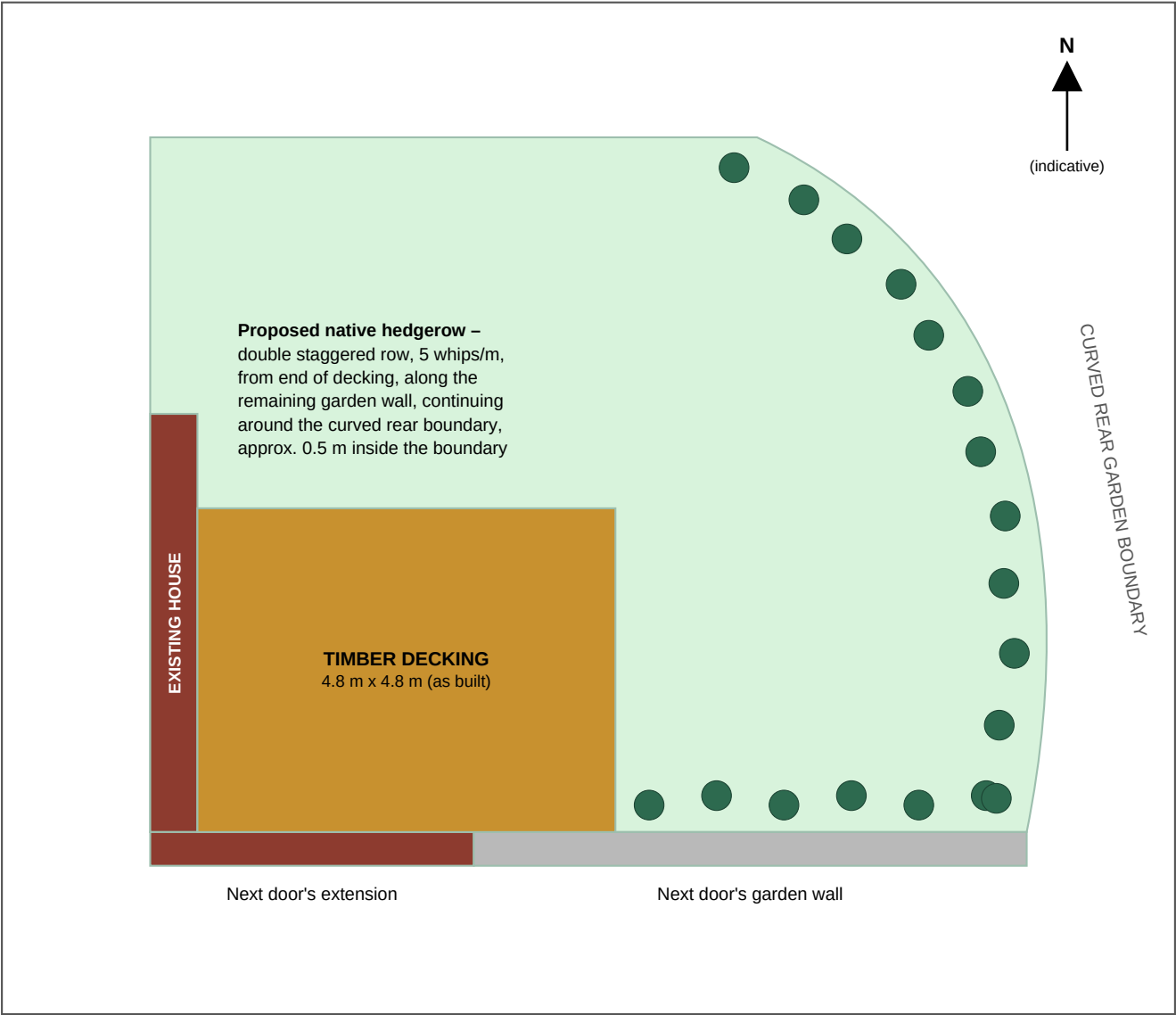
5. Maintenance and Retention

The hedgerow will be watered during dry periods in its first two growing seasons and kept weed-free at its base until established. Any plant that dies, is removed or becomes seriously damaged or diseased within five years of planting will be replaced in the next available planting season with a plant of the same species and size as originally planted.

Once established, the hedgerow will be trimmed once annually, with trimming undertaken outside the bird nesting season (1 March to 31 August), consistent with Informative 2 of the decision notice and the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. In accordance with Condition 3, the approved planting will be retained in perpetuity thereafter.

Planting Plan (indicative, not to scale)

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- Proposed native hedgerow (hawthorn, hazel, blackthorn, holly, dog rose) – double staggered row, 5 whips/m
- Timber decking (as built, 4.8 m x 4.8 m)
- Garden area (boundary follows a curve at the rear)

Notes: Plan is indicative and not to scale; boundary lengths to be confirmed by on-site measurement at planting. The decking adjoins the neighbouring extension and part of the neighbouring garden wall; the hedgerow commences at the end of the decked area, runs along the side boundary adjoining the remainder of the neighbouring garden wall, and continues along the curved rear garden boundary. Layout follows the approved top-down projection drawing; refer to the location plan submitted with application P/26/0024 for the site outline.