



The Future of Darrick Wood

Fifth edition - December 2020



A message from the Chief Executive

It has been quite some time since we had an update on the future of Darrick Wood. Although the pandemic has had an impact, we have been doing some work in the background looking at enhancements for the green spaces along with our appointed landscape architects **LUC**.

We are now able to move forward with the project and ask for your views on this. We want to consult with residents, but the current restrictions mean that we can't do this face to face. So we're looking at how to do this in other ways.

Previously, several Darrick Wood residents volunteered to form our **Resident Sounding Board** to give us feedback on our plans as they move along. In addition, we are keen to gain feedback from interested residents, to get the best result for everyone's benefit. This is your opportunity to help shape the options for the landscaping on the estate.

LUC have visited the estate and identified potential areas for improvement. We shall show you examples in this newsletter of what could be possible.

The ideas and locations shown in this newsletter aren't fixed – they are just possible options to give an idea of what could be done. Once consultation on the landscaping options is complete, the findings will be included in our planning application to the council along with plans for the new homes at the top of Isabella Drive.

You can view the landscaping presentation via a video link shown at the end of this newsletter. We welcome your feedback.

Jonathan



Timeline

(some may be subject to change)

- December 2020**
 - Future of Darrick Wood newsletter 5th edition published
- December**
 - Online presentation from LUC available via video link
- January**
 - Feedback from interested residents reviewed - landscaping
- February**
 - Consultation with all residents
- Spring 2021**
 - Final planning application submitted to Bromley Council



Natural play and community growing opportunities



Relaxed mowing to form grass meadow



Natural Play Features: Tree trunks



Natural Play Features: Stepping logs



- Potential natural play space opportunities
- Potential community growing/allotment space or communal garden



Shade tolerant meadow planting



Allotment beds for food growing by local residents



Shared Community Garden



YOUR VOICE
COUNTS



Potential landscape enhancements and access improvements



Wildflowers to targeted sections of grass banks and verge



Blossoming tree varieties e.g. Cherry



Trellis supported climbing plants to bare walls



- Potential landscape enhancement area (e.g. tree planting, climbers, hedges and wildflower grassland)
- Improvements to pedestrian entrances and access routes



Shade tolerant planting



Hardwood bollards



Stone sett thresholds



Hardwood panel/post signage



You can access the LUC landscape architects presentation via the video link below:

<https://youtu.be/K1PdXcYuzwg>

Please tell us what you think:

What do you like about the different ideas for enhancing the landscaping?

What do you think about the possible locations around the estate?

Any other ideas for landscaping you may have that we could consider?

Are you interested and able to join an online meeting to explore this further?



Please send your feedback on the landscaping plans to:

futureofdarrickwood@kenistonha.co.uk

Or you can leave a comment with our Customer Services Team who will pass this on: **01689 889700**.

Getting involved.....

At this time, we are not able to hold any face to face meetings. Your involvement will be via phone, email or online meeting via Zoom or Teams. If you need help getting set up for online meetings, please let us know.

