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This DOC application comprises submission of hard/soft landscaping proposals against Condition 15 of planning permission SMD/2024/0176 (along with building-mounted external lighting under Condition 8 which I will not address). Proposals are set out on Roberts Limbrick Drgs. Nos. 10683/P8001/C01 (Landscape General Arrangement – Planning), 10683/P8301/P02 (Detailed Planting Plan), and 10683/08304/P01 (BNG Planting Plan).

The main element of the scheme is the formal hard & soft landscaping of the active environment area fronting the extended leisure centre, providing durable hard surfacing for main access and activity areas with planting beds, hedging, grass and trees to give spatial definition and visual interest.

Also included as requested in principle are a new hedge (Hornbeam in this instance which will be green and then semi-evergreen for much of the year and probably retain attached dead foliage throughout the winter if kept properly maintained at design height the same as the fence) between the ASHP compound/bin store and park road to soften/reduce the visual impact of these service facilities and surrounding acoustic fence. This hedge planting effectively meets the landscaping requirement of Condition 14 of PP SMD/2024/0176 and subsequent DOC/2025/0016.

In addition, the landscaping scheme under DOC/2025/0073 includes new tree planting of suitable native tree planting in the grassed area to the south-east of the existing main leisure centre car park as replacements (at c.3 for 1 ratio) for trees unavoidably lost for the development and as contribution to BNG.

The submitted landscaping scheme is considered acceptable and suitable for approval to discharge Condition 15 of SMD/2024/0176 under DOC/2025/0073 (and also, if/as may still be required, to discharge the landscaping element of Condition 14 of SMD/2024/0176 under DOC/2025/0016). Condition 15 of SMD/2024/0176 already secures implementation and subsequent establishment maintenance of the landscaping scheme once approved, so no further conditions or obligations in this respect are required.

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