

5.5.4 Planting Character

The planting palette will draw from woodlands and fields.

In areas that will be partly-to-mostly overshadowed during much of the day for much of the year (west side of the square and the New Lane), under-storey planting will comprise woodland edge shrubs and woodland bulbs.

In open areas expected to receive more direct sunlight (east side of the square and the arcade), the under-storey planting will tend towards more sun-loving flowering and scented plants.

The under-storey will be plants selected to lengthen the flowering and fruiting season for local wildlife and to cope with more extreme climate conditions in future.



Field character species selection



Flowering hedgerow mix



Woodland character planting

Field character planting



Woodland character



Woodland character spring bulbs

5.5.5 Tree Strategy

The tree strategy is designed to underscore the hierarchy of public realm spaces from the envisioned future green avenue of Coburg Road into the heart of the Clarendon community.

The largest trees proposed within Phase 4 will line the northern edge of the site. These will contribute to the formality of the avenue of large street trees along Coburg Road.

Medium-size trees along the new lane and the arcade will lead into the square, lining the east and west edge of the central open space.

Medium and small trees planted in the square will bring the sense of scale further towards a 'living room' scale, releasing from the formal lines into clusters comfort, shade and shelter.

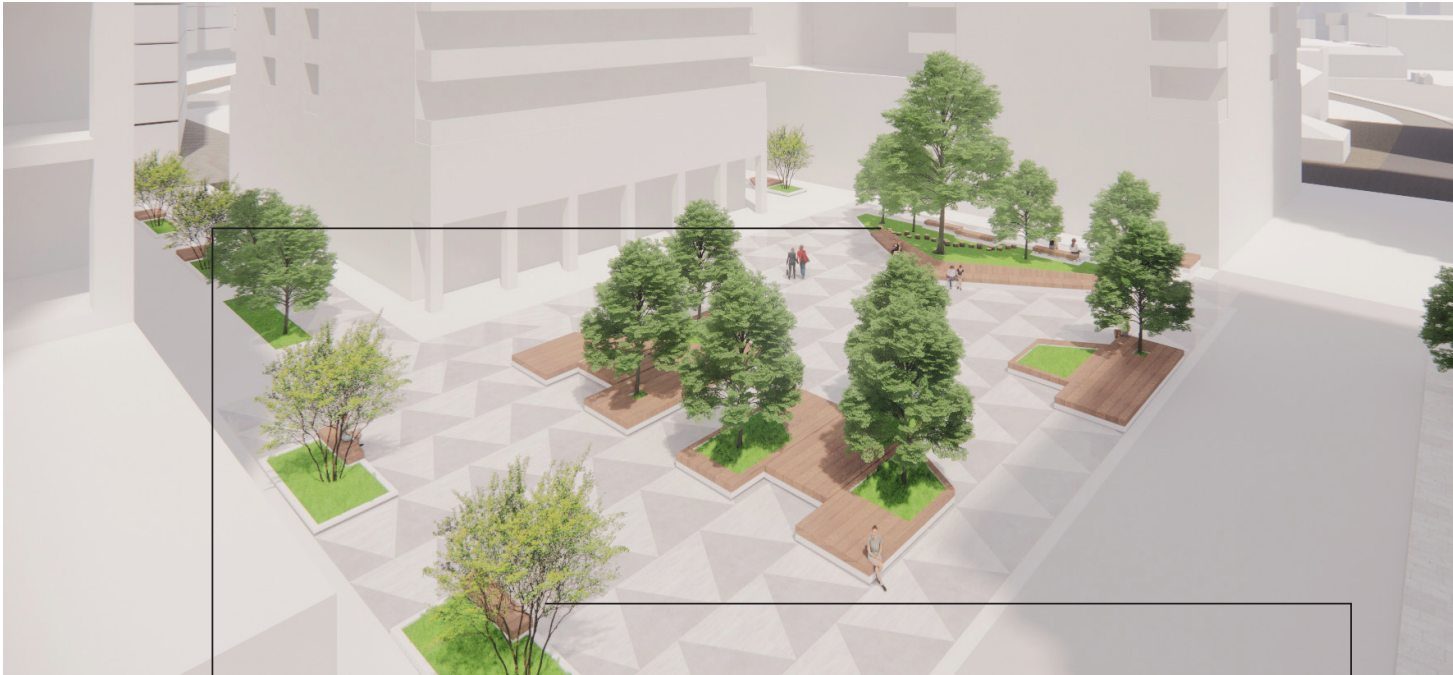
-  Medium/small trees in the square (shown as 4m-diameter crown)
-  Medium trees in the arcade and along the new lane creating a strong axis of tree crowns towards the square (shown as 5m-diameter crown when matured)
-  Existing trees
-  Future vision with large trees along Coburg Road (shown as 6m-diameter crown) (illustrative purposes only outside red line boundary are out of the scope of this planning application)



5.5.6 Ecology and biodiversity - Principles and context



This site is a key contributor to ecological connectivity between the heart of the Clarendon development and the northern urban fabric. The future green corridor of Coburg Rd will be critical for delivering this north-south and east-west connection.



Flowering shrubs and trees supply berries for birds and nectar for pollinators

Woodland planting including spring flowering bulbs and climbing/rambling plants to support habitats for small mammals

