Assumptions and Exclusions

Landscape Strategy – Developed Design

General

1. We assume the client will be responsible for information on ownership and will advise HCUK Group of the contact details of other team members.

Landscape Design Services

Unless specifically stated to the contrary in our fee proposal, we assume the client will be responsible for:

- Providing a digital topographic survey
- Providing information on services (utilities) and modern mapping.
- Providing a site investigation (SI) that outlines any issues with contamination and gives details of soil type and structure in accordance with BS3882:2015
- Stating the design responsibilities for each member of the project team.
- Providing confirmation of the design brief.
- Signing off the outputs for each work stage prior to proceeding with the next work stage.

2. Drawing and design deliverables will be agreed and stated in the covering email with the fee proposal. It may include:

3. Annotated plans at a minimum scale of 1:500. These will typically include text on the overall design objectives and principles, show existing retained vegetation, proposed soft landscape (trees, hedgerows/ hedges, shrubs, grass, meadow etc.) and areas of hard landscape (surfacing types, boundaries and other elements such as street furniture if relevant). Typical species mixes (not including numbers) and an outline specification may be included at this stage.

4. Input into the landscape sections of a Design and Access Statement (to be coordinated by others).

5. Areas to be calculated for Biodiversity Net Gain (with the detailed calculation to be undertaken by the project ecologist).

6. If stated in the proposal we may circulate a sketch design for comment prior to producing the landscape strategy drawings.

7. We would require detailed cut and fill exercises prepared for costing purposes to be undertaken by a civil engineer.

8. Any vehicular areas / roads to be designed and checked for vehicle tracking by the lead consultant / highways engineer.

9. We will commence the landscape strategy drawings when the proposed site plan is fixed and subject to only minor modifications for co-ordination purposes. A delay in the programme for fixing the site plan / design may have implications for the completion of our deliverables and we will notify the client at the earliest opportunity if this is the case.

10. Our fee includes for submission of a first issue of drawings / information for review and amendments for one design iteration (unless otherwise stated) as outlined in the fee proposal.

11. Any extensive late changes to a site plan prepared by others following the design freeze, may incur additional fees for a redraw / further co-ordination, to cover this work. We consider extensive changes to incur more than one hour consultancy time. Any additional fees will be agreed with the client prior to commencing the work.

12. Any post planning services, such as landscape planning support to respond to consultee comments or provision of a rebuttal, may be subject to additional fees.