



**Chilterns  
National  
Landscape**



**River Chess  
Smarter Water  
Catchment**

# Invitation to Tender

*Location: Rossway Park Estate, Berkhamsted HP5 3TZ*

*Works: Hedge planting*

*Issued: 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025*

## Site Plan



 New hedge

## Schedule of work

### Hedge planting

Total length required = 301m

The hedge planting should be at a density of 6 plants per metre planted in a staggered double row 40cm apart, using 45-60 cm 2 year-old whips of local provenance. The centre of the new hedge should be no closer than 1.2m from any fence. All whips should be staked and protected with a spiral guard. Every 30m a whip should be put into a tree guard with a stake with a view to becoming a standard tree.

Up to 20% of failures should be replaced in the following planting season.

The possible mix of hedging whips is as follows, to be finalised at a later date:

Hawthorn - 45%	Hornbeam - 5%	Guelder Rose - 5%
Field Maple - 15%	Wayfaring Tree - 10%	Spindle - 5%
Hazel - 15%	Buckthorn - 5%	Wild Cherry - 5%

## Objectives and restrictions

- Vehicle movements will be kept to a minimum. Access routes will be agreed with the project manager before work.
- All staff will be suitably qualified and experienced for the work undertaken and will wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
- Appropriate signs will be installed by the contractor to warn of work in progress.
- Work must be carried out in suitable weather conditions to minimise ground disturbance, and before the end of December 2024.

## Proposal

Tenders for each task will be evaluated on the basis of the following details:

- An understanding of the project brief.
- A detailed breakdown of costs for delivering the project (including materials and daily rates/costing model and any other specific costs) according to the schedule of works.
- How the work will be carried out (a range of options are encouraged to be included).
- Machinery that will be used to carry out the work.
- How ground conditions will be protected.
- An estimation of when the work will take place and how long it will take to complete.
- Arrangements for the length and nature of warranties on works.
- Details of your insurance.
- Organisational and individual skills, knowledge and experience.

Please provide full contact details of the lead contact.

## Submission

For a site visit or questions please contact: **Harriet Bennett**, Landowner and Farming Engagement Adviser (Chilterns Conservation Board).

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Tenders should be submitted by 17:00 on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025 to Harriet Bennett (details above).

References from previous clients may be requested during the assessment process.

