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Performance Panel

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Dear Councillor Jones

Response to Questions Raised at the Development and Regeneration Performance Panel on 3rd November 2020.

Thank you for your letter of the 19th November 2020.

You raise a number of questions which I respond to below.

BBM for Arena - The Panel queried how many contractors were local or from further afield.

October Buckingham report attached.

To be clear the figures change monthly. October was based upon bridge fabricators from Yorkshire and steel frame from Scotland which skews the figures. Area A, B & C are for Wales where 70% of companies are Welsh and D is everywhere else.

As we work through the next few months these figures for local companies will increase, this is shown in the graph below. The second table demonstrates that 60% of total spend for the project this far is spent locally within the SA1 postcode.

Within the report, Buckingham cannot use companies from A&B unless there is a compelling reason and they must provide a rationale so we have an audit process.

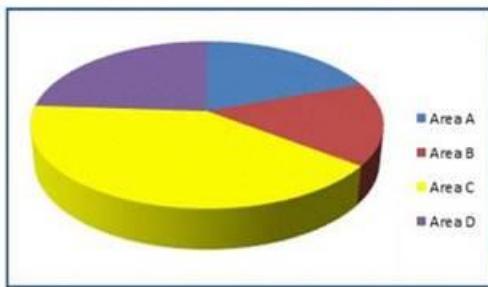


Buckingham Group Contracting Ltd

Swansea Central - Oct 2020

Employment Statistics: Bid promise to target at least 70%

Local Labour (Area A & B)



Total Number of People Inducted (not including visitors)	1455
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Area A	282	Area B	233	Area C	592	Area D	348
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Area A	20%
Area B	16%
Area C	40%
Area D	24%

Outcome	Measure	Unit & Targets	Methods
Support businesses to grow	Support for local SMEs/social enterprises	12 Hours	Organise at least 1 meet-the-buyer event with 2 people attending for 2 hours. Facilitate 2 workshops of 4 hours, or 4 one-to-one meetings of 2 hours to provide expert business advice
	Total amount (£) spent in local supply chain	60% of Project Value	Analyse all orders placed Reported monthly showing the clear link to the contractual activity

Wellington Street - Officers agreed to provide the Panel with exact information on the number of trees and species being planted here.

A planting programme has been undertaken as part of the works in Wellington Street and follows the planning approval that includes over 900 plants, shrubs and 11 semi mature trees. Consultation was undertaken as part of the planning application process. I attach a PDF copy of the layout of the scheme which sets out the species planted.

Swansea Central North

Officers will provide a presentation detailing the location and current thinking for the site to the January meeting of Scrutiny.

Success rate of the Zone Residential Grants

Officers will provide a presentation on success and figures at the January meeting.

Transport issues

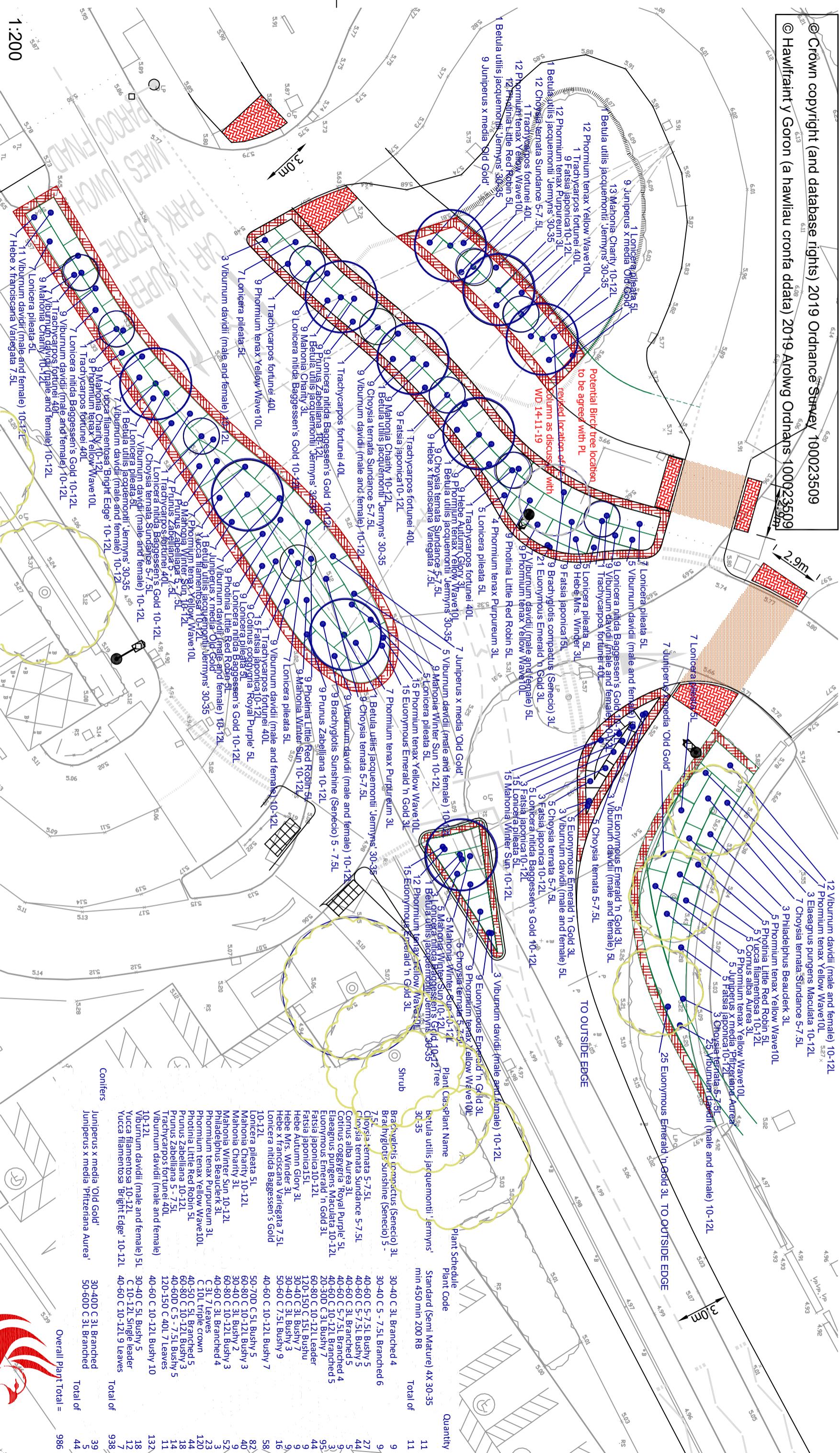
I understand Cllr Mark Thomas has replied separately on the highway issues.

Yours sincerely



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Title Wellington Street

Based on MBSK191024-05

New Planting Plan to reflect above layout

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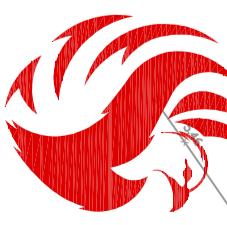
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