

## LONDON'S ARCADIA – Rotary Gardens Consultation – February 2009

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Res pon dent  No *	Summary of comments	Officer's comments	Executive Committee Recommendation
1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Recommends litter bins be removed at the entrance to Rotary Gardens along Petersham Road.</li> <li>b. Does not think the hedge should be replaced with railings.</li> <li>c. Disagrees with the removal of all trees and shrubs.</li> <li>d. Feels a lawn and path would formalise the area too much.</li> <li>e. Believes the cherry and plane tree should be retained.</li> <li>f. Does not think holly tree should be crowned or shaped.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Agreed</li> <li>b. We will retain bay and gap others but there is a H&amp;S requirement for railings and there are railings currently there</li> <li>c. Only trees being removed are as per recommendation of LBRuT Arborist and shrub removal that is proposed is required as it is tired, leggy, and like all gardens, needs work from time to time</li> <li>d. Path exists and needs to be brought towards DDA standards. Lawn areas are to be planted with flowers so as not to formalise</li> <li>e. As per c above</li> <li>f. This is a garden not a wilderness and shaping the holly will permit better visual lines for safety</li> </ul>	Agreed with officer.
2.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Supportive of plans.</li> <li>b. Suggest the pruning of trees outside Northumberland Place.</li> <li>c. Concerns over continued maintenance once works are completed particularly with respect to litter picking and leaf litter build up in parts of the garden.</li> <li>d. Requests that the quince at the top of the gardens is retained.</li> <li>e. Suggests retaining pyrocanthus currently growing against wall.</li> <li>f. In favour of existing hedge being planted up with native species but points out the bindweed that exists there.</li> <li>g. Points out the encroaching concrete curb of the boat house property adjoining the gardens.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. No comment</li> <li>b. Northumberland Place Resident Association is looking into pruning the trees on their property all other tree work is as recommended by LBRuT Arborist.</li> <li>c. Maintenance conditions are written into contract between HLF and LBRuT and an issue for LBRuT Parks. Arcadia cannot provide maintenance funding as HLF grant is primarily capital</li> </ul>	Agreed with officer.

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### 2.

	h. Suggests the large ash tree along the riverside be reduced.	improvement and maintenance is outside the scope of HLF grants for the most part. d. Will put to LBRuT Parks horticulturalist once they draw up plans e. Agree f. Agree- will need to pass bindweed issue to Parks g. Agreed h. Agreed	
3.	a. Supports the plans. b. Requests the bench at the top of the gardens be repositioned further down the slope as it attracts street drinkers during the day and evening.	a. No comment b. Agreed	Agreed with officer.
4.	a. Supports the plans.	a. No comment	Agreed with officer.
5.	a. Overall feels plans are very positive. b. Recommends the pyracanthas growing along the back wall be retained, c. Bulbs be planted on the upper bank to replace the shrubbery. Suggests snowdrops and winter flowering cyclamen planted in the shaded top right area by Petersham Road.	a. No comment b. Agreed c. Agreed but species of bulbs up to LBRuT Parks Horticulturalist	Agreed with officer.
6.	a. Believes plans to be about right. b. Recommends a balance between retaining the existing shrubbery and new planting. c. Consideration should be taken for the pedestrian safety walking up the path as high shrubs and seats at bends in the path creates a “dark and intimidating area”. Also mentions use of the benches by street drinkers. d. Would like measures to ensure no vehicles park on the pavement along Petersham Road. e. Points out the need to use materials on the footpaths that are resilient to flooding and inundation by water. f. Points out the need for maintenance of the area once the works have taken place.	a. No comment b. Agreed c. Agreed d. Parking on pavement is a parking enforcement and highways issue that we are not able to deal with but we will pass onto LBRuT PSG e. Agreed f. As above in 2c.	Agreed with officer.
7.	Believes the plans need some changes: General: a. The view from below the towpath is just as important as the view from	a. Agreed and believe the design takes this fully into consideration b. Only trees being removed are as	Agreed with officer.

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<p>above down to the river.</p> <p>b. Believes trees should be retained as they give perspective to the river view, give the garden character (removal would create a field), mature plants are generally preferable to new ones, they provide shade.</p> <p>Trees:</p> <p>c. Ash in middle of gardens should be retained as a shade tree.</p> <p>d. Kanzan cherry should be retained as it is part of a row of kanzans.</p> <p>e. The sycamore at the bottom of the garden needs to be assessed with special equipment to accurately predict its danger to the public.</p> <p>f. The group of sycamores at the top of the garden soften the view of the neighbouring building; no more than 1 should be removed.</p> <p>Shrubs, wall shrubs and hedging:</p> <p>g. As many shrubs and hedging plants as possible should be retained to preserve character of the site.</p> <p>h. Wall shrubs reduce the risk of graffiti.</p> <p>i. Shrubs around the benches should be replaced with lower growing types.</p> <p>j. In favour of traditional planting.</p>	<p>per recommendation of LBRuT Arborist</p> <p>c. Ash is nearly dead as per arborist review and recommendation plus photos in June 2008 and thus provides little shade</p> <p>d. As above in b.</p> <p>e. As above in b.</p> <p>f. As above in b.</p> <p>g. Agreed</p> <p>h. Agreed</p> <p>i. Agreed</p> <p>j. No comment</p>	
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