

M Worsley
Extension of Farmyard and Erection of Cattle Building
Healey Farm, Healey Lane, Briestfield, Dewsbury, WF12 0NT
APPLICATION NO. 2025/62/91128/E

Biodiversity Enhancement Management Plan

1. Plans included entitled 'Habitat Plan Pre Development and 'Block Plan and Habitat Plan Post Development Revised 2', showing proposed habitat creation (47 x orchard trees comprising 16 apple, 16 pear and 15 plum, to north of new building, on what was previously modified grassland), habitat retention (modified grassland on part of field unaffected by proposal). There is no habitat enhancement.
2. The trees will be planted in February/March 2027 at 3 metre spacing, 30cm whips which will be sufficiently buried in the ground, watered in and protected with canes and tree guards. The area will mown before planting and an organic mulch layer applied of cattle manure. The orchard will be protected from grazing livestock by timber post and sheep net fencing.
3. Each year, in early spring for a 5 year period, the trees will be checked. Around the trees will be hand-weeded in May and August until the trees have grown taller than surrounding vegetation. Trees will be watered during prolonged dry periods. Stakes and shelters will be re-fitted as necessary. No fertiliser or herbicides will be used within the orchard, other than small amounts of horse and cattle manure
4. Any dead, diseased or dying trees will be replaced for a 5 year period.
5. M Worsley will be responsible for the planting, monitoring and replacing of dead/dying trees.
6. M Worsley has read the Caring for Newly Planted Trees Guidance published by the Tree Council.