



Full Council Meeting

Date: 25th November 2021

FC142: To receive a progress update on the Angela Fox Nature Garden and consider the phase 2 plans for submission to MSDC for S106 grant funding

Design intention by Galassi Garden Design

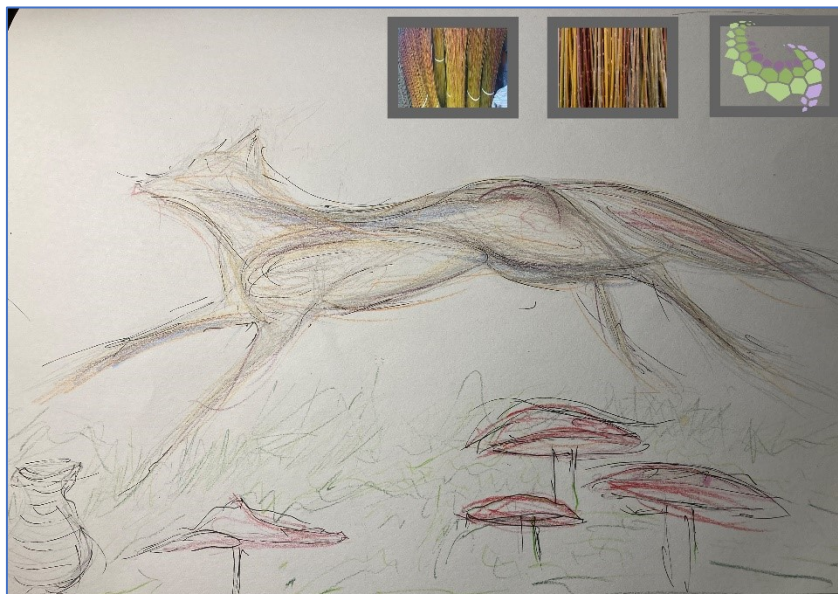
We have prepared a series of sketches of what we envisage for the willow sculptures proposed.

We enjoyed watching a fox and her cubs in a meadow a few months back, frolicking in the long grass. This was where we thought of a beautiful, majestic form of a fox leaping out of the grasses. We thought this would make a perfect addition to the new garden we are designing two reasons foxes are gorgeous creatures who are always around our gardens and secondly it fits great with the Angela Fox Memorial scheme.

We thought the best place for the fox form would be in the centre bed we have already planted up. Size of fox approximately 1.2meters long set on spikes above existing grasses. Along with a fox a few clusters of mushrooms about knee height and 30-40 caps, dotted around the planting scheme around the new wildflower lawn prepared in all about 5-6 mushrooms.

Sculptures are formed out of willow and hardwood canes. A supporting inner metal frame is created and added in canes. This ensures a strong structure that will last. There is small maintenance needed each year to maintain the longevity of the pieces. The sculptures will be treated with a linseed oil and turpentine mix.

The use of the willow is a fabulous medium for creating strong sculptures that complement a natural scheme.



Quotation

Herbaceous supply setout and plant	£ 6,270.00
Pleached trees and shrubs large supply plant sound barrier option	£ 4,520.00
Extra seeding and areas around gazebo plantings	£ 750.00
Labour	£ 1,000.00
Delivery	£ 200.00
Subtotal	£12,740.00

Willow sculpture design and supply	£ 2,000.00
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Updated planting plan for Phase 2:

This plan includes an updated image library for the additional large specimens added to the scheme and a few changes to herbaceous perennial selection so we are still maintaining the same style of naturalistic planting design.

The new areas to be planted up are highlighted in orange.

The bulk of the cost from phase one is containerised planting supply as we plant at high volumes to create good quick coverage to keep weed establishment low and ultimately lower maintenance and competition amongst plant communities.

