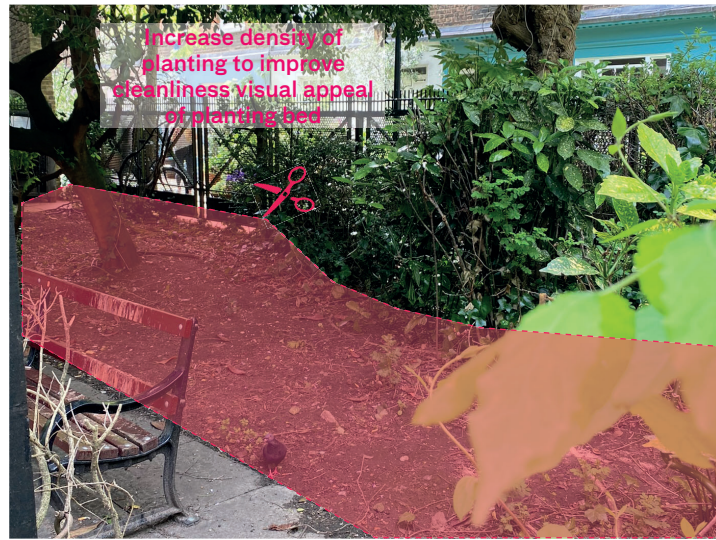


CRABTREE FIELDS, DESIGN ITERATION #2



KEY CHANGES TO THE PLANTING AND MAINTENANCE OF CRABTREE FIELDS

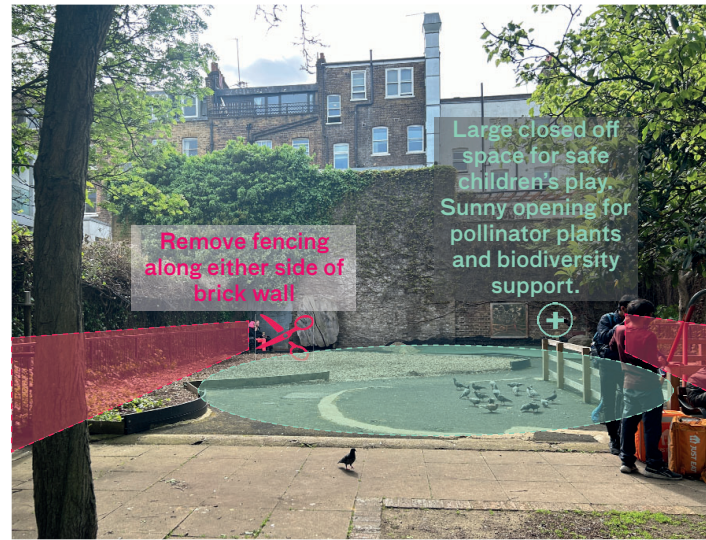


Increase density of planting to improve cleanliness visual appeal of planting bed

Planting Volume

Proposal: Increase planting in poorly established areas

Details: Crabtree Fields has many areas of poorly established planting. The proposed planting plan encourages the growth of plants suitable to their environment and therefore likely to thrive in the park.



Remove fencing along either side of brick wall

Large closed off space for safe children's play. Sunny opening for pollinator plants and biodiversity support.

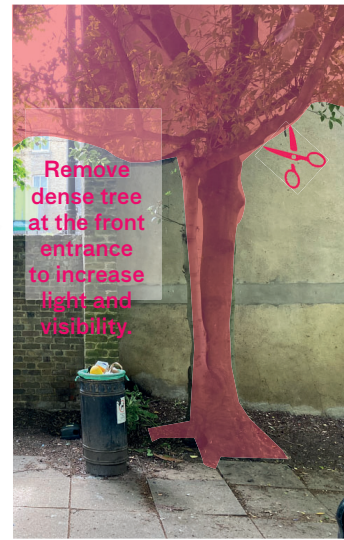
Biodiversity Support

Proposal: Improve biodiversity by planting pollinator species, introducing bee, bird, and bat shelters, and increasing areas of open sky.

Details: The ecology report indicated opportunity for improved biodiversity. Seasonal pollinator friendly plants will be introduced alongside bee, bird and bat boxes. Open spaces will encourage invertebrates and foraging activities.



Prune to reduce canopy and increase visibility and light.



Remove dense tree at the front entrance to increase light and visibility.

Trees

Proposal: Raise the canopy of low trees and remove 3 trees to reduce darkness at NW and SE entrances

Details: In many areas of Crabtree Fields, the park is quite dark. This proposal encourages the trimming of low, dark trees. Additionally, 3 trees are proposed to be removed and replaced by 2 well-suited trees.



Provide trellis support to guide planting

Improve and maintain low planting along either side of the pergola

Low Planting

Proposal: Maintain low-planting along the pergola

Details: To improve the feeling of safety in the park, the past design iteration identified the reduction of dark planting screens on the pergola. To maintain the effect of planting enclosure, either side of the pergola includes low herbaceous planting.



Preserve and maintain memorial trees (cherry and fig)

Memorial Trees

Proposal: Preserve and maintain memorial trees

Details: Crabtree Fields has significant social value. This design proposal makes it clear that the memorial trees planting on-site will be preserved and maintained.



Preserve and maintain healthy and established planting

Introduce shade-tolerant planting to increase density in dark areas

Shade Tolerant Planting

Proposal: Plant shade-tolerant planting in deep shade

Details: The areas of deep shade have limited suitable plants. This proposal aims to cut back on the ivy growth and introduces various deep shade loving plants bringing green to the dark sections of the park.



Utilise back of pergola by providing trellis support for climbing plants

Fill in void planting beds with shade tolerant planting

Trellis Planting

Use: Introduce low-visibility trellis wires to encourage gentle planting growth

Details: Trellis wires are encouraged to grow manageable and delicate climbing plants along the pergola. Examples of possible climbing plants include some clematis species and passion flowers.



Trim healthy hedging to allow for increased sight lines out of the park

Corner preventing access from second gateway

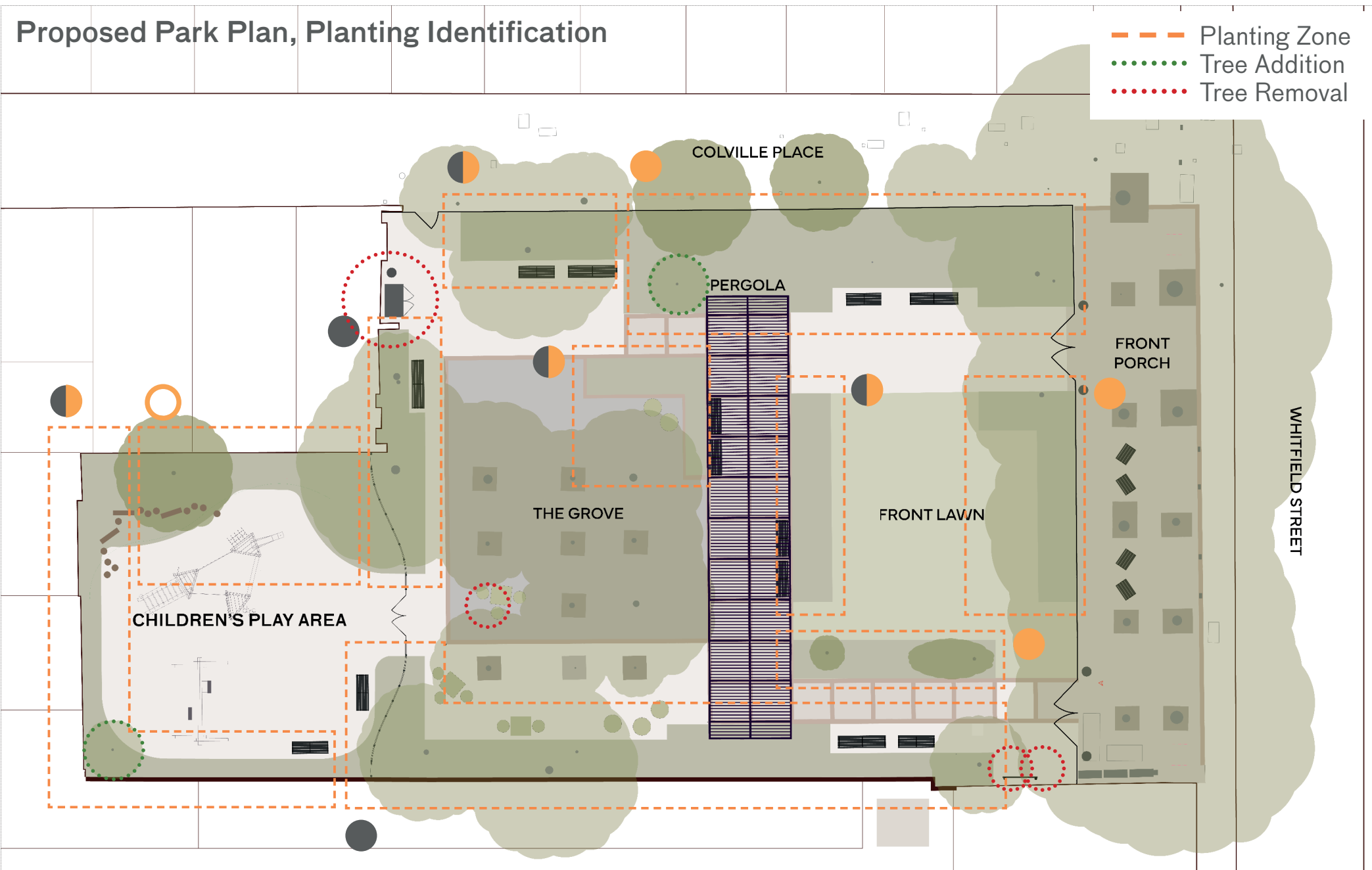
Low herbaceous planting offers visual amenity and a gentle lawn boundary

Maintenance and Visibility

Proposal: Maintain mature plants and trim / prune to improve sight lines.

Details: This proposal encourages the preservation of well-established plants. A comprehensive maintenance schedule will allow for mature plants to be retained whilst ensuring crucial sight lines are present. Additional entrances to the lawn will increase accessibility.

THE PLANTING PALETTE



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FULL SHADE

- Thalictrum tuberiferums*
- Pachysandra terminalis*
- Anemanthele lessoniana*
- Ajuga reptans* 'Burgundy Glow' (v)
- Liriope muscari*
- Cyrtomium fortunei*
- Hepatica nobilis*
- Adiantum venustum*
- Anemone x hybrida* 'Honorine Jobert'
- Acanthus mollis*

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PARTIAL SHADE

- Cornus sanguinea*
- Campanula glomerata*
- Pachysandra terminalis*
- Anemanthele lessoniana*
- Cyrtomium fortunei*
- Anemone x hybrida* 'Honorine Jobert'
- Acanthus mollis*

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FULL SUN

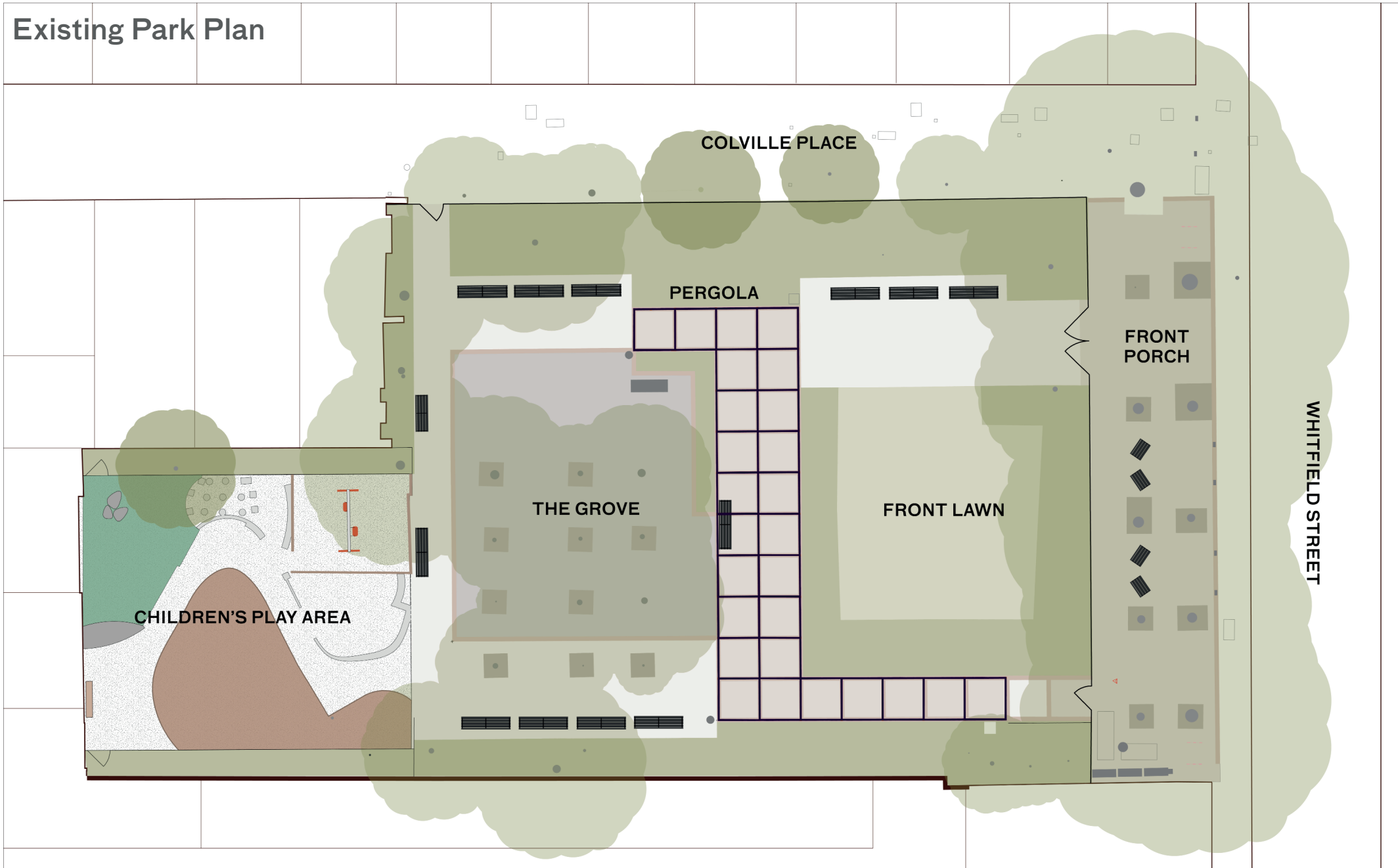
- Cornus sanguinea*
- Campanula glomerata*
- Stipa calamagrostis*
- Phlox paniculata*
- Euphorbia wallichii*
- Ceanothus* 'Cynthia Postan'
- Acanthus mollis*
- Phlomis russeliana*



CRABTREE FIELDS, FURNISHING AND DETAILS



BEFORE AND AFTER



Trees

Existing: Density of trees creates garden quality but greatly limit sunlight critical for biodiversity.

Proposed: Three trees which create dark entrances are proposed to be removed. Two additional trees are proposed elsewhere on the property.



Planting Area

Existing: Overgrown ivy and poorly maintained garden beds

Proposed: Specific planting for lighting conditions, seasonal interest, resilient and low maintenance plants



Biodiversity Support

Existing: Limited biodiversity support. Great feeding ground for bats in open areas.

Proposed: Bee posts, pollinator planting, and bird and bat boxes to increase diversity.