

FEEDBACK ON INITIAL PROPOSALS

- Residents asked for assurances that **planting schemes are implemented as early as possible.**
- Additional community spaces** were suggested to provide environmental and ecological benefits.
- Residents requested further detail on the **ecological and biodiversity benefits** of the scheme.
- Residents wanted to see the **community benefits, notably the football club, come forward at the start** of the project.

KEY LANDSCAPING & ECOLOGY UPDATES

- The **landscape design in and around the site has been further developed**, with taller bunds and an increased density of proposed vegetation.
 - Benefit:** Increasing the height and amount of new planting in the site, to improve and mitigate the visual impact.
- All principal **landscaping has been brought into Phase 1**, in response to community consultation. This means that bunding and trees will be delivered as quickly as possible to allow vegetation to mature and the mitigation to be delivered as early as possible.
 - Benefit:** Visual mitigation will happen sooner in the development of the site and before the future building phases are commenced, meaning that by the time these future phases are under construction there will be increased screening of views due to the new vegetation.
- A **community orchard has been introduced** to the north-east of the site.
 - Benefit:** Open to the community and workforce, providing additional biodiversity benefits and a place that brings the community closer to the new scheme.
- Off-site land has been secured to ensure a biodiversity net gain is delivered as part of the project.**
 - Benefit:** New planting will include a diverse mosaic of grasses, shrubs, wild flowers, hedgerows and trees, which will provide a significantly more diverse habitat than what is on site currently.

