

MATURE FOOTPATH TREES MAKE WAY FOR NEXT GENERATION

Harrogate Convention Centre flanked by 12 new trees



Big trees are defining landscape features, and communities form emotional attachments to them. If they are removed, people often want to see replacements right away. This was the case with 12 established trees along Kings Road in Harrogate.

After trees along the footpath outside the Convention Centre were removed, the local authority felt it was urgently important to provide replacements. The trees flank the entrance as you approach the building, and any new plantings would need adequate soil in order to survive and grow in to arresting parts of the landscape.

During excavation, the advantage of a modular system like the Silva Cell was immediately apparent – the excavation area revealed plentiful fiber optic cables, as well as an old watering well.

Silva Cells were installed in January 2010, and while it will be many years until they are as large as their predecessors, they have already made a mark on their community.

Installation Summary:

Total soil volume: 110 m³ shared (9 - 12 m³ per tree)

Number of Silva Cells: 345 frames, 345 decks

Client: Harrogate Borough Council

Contractor: HACS Construction

Installed: January 2010

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