



LANDSCAPE CASE STUDY: KINGS ORCHARD MARINA



With many years experience in local authority, commercial and community spaces, we recently created a planting scheme for a marina and caravan park in Staffordshire.

Kings Orchard Marina, part of ABC Leisure Group, required a soft landscape design with trees, shrubs and hedges between caravans for privacy, as well as native wildflowers and grasses surrounding the pond to attract wildlife.

The initial design was submitted to the local planning authority and amended based on comments received back, including guidance from the Arboricultural Officer regarding the soft landscape specification and recommended use of native species that would thrive on the site and be in keeping with the local landscape character.

The species selection was amended due to local plant health restrictions; Ash (*Fraxinus excelsior*) is not currently able to be planted due to Ash Dieback Disease, and Beech was proposed but would not thrive on the soils or with the current rainfall profile, so the arboricultural officer recommended this was replaced with Sweet Chestnut.

PROJECT BENEFITS:

- **Privacy between caravan pitches**
- **Native wildflowers to attract wildlife**
- **Native species to compliment the local landscape character**

