



Wilding the Picnic Area

The addition of several groupings of Scots pine in the picnic area give a new sense of scale to this part of the site... These wind resistant, native, fast-growing trees filter the wind with a graceful yet robust stature, and being evergreen, they provide all year round interest... The burnt orange colour and texture of the bark, especially, adds sensory impact. The height of the trees helps minimise the visual impact of the play equipment, bringing a more unified and restful feel to the area, so that the benches, play area and three clusters of trees appear as part of the same design concept. The boulders, grasses and central undulating feature help to further unify the naturalistic aesthetic. These latter hard landscaping features take the play opportunity beyond the fenced area, offering climbing and jumping for children. The ornamental, rustic looking low-maintenance grasses elicit some of the exhilaration of being in rugged wild places. The car park could be further screened with vegetation to enhance the 'wilderness effect' further, although we were concerned not to impede direct access to this part of the site from the parking area.

Planting list

Pinus Sylvestris minimum height 3 metres, 10 total
stipa arundinacea 40, *Carex Red Rooster* 25



Children's Play and Picnic Area

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