FW: Bridge 400 InstaPlant Enquiry

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Good afternoon All,

You will be familiar with concept of the Berwick Bridge 400 group.

As previously mentioned to Berwick Town Council officers ,the group is keen to have a commemorative bed created in the sloping bed adjacent to St Cuthbert's School Tweedmouth

Below is a quotation and options from InstaPlant with whom I understand NCC has already used for beds in Carlisle Park and Cramlington.

We appreciate that we will need to get the necessary permissions to do this and would appreciate knowing of any preparation work on the bed prior to planting. Your guidance in these matters would be very helpful Also help that might be available from either BTC or NCC for subsequent maintenance in the way of watering etc. We intend to apply for funding for the actual floral display itself.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Margaret.

Margaret Shaw Group Facilitator

From: Chris Harnett

Sent: 10 October 2023 09:39

To: Margaret Shaw

Subject: RE: Bridge 400 InstaPlant Enquiry

Hi Margaret,

Thank you for your phone call, email and the photos you attached, good to hear from you.

Thank you for the photos of the bridge, would be great to produce a carpet bed for you.

The layout that would look good in carpet bedding is this image:

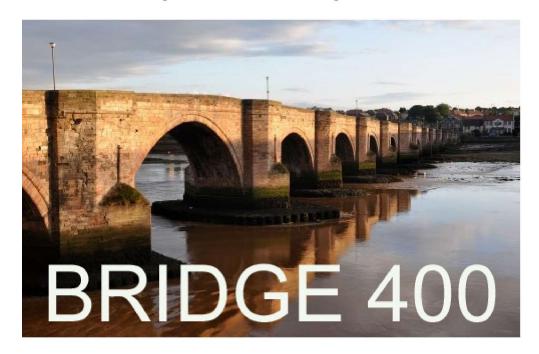


If your bed is 25m wide x 16m deep then this area covers 400m2, if you wanted an annual InstaPlant carpet of this size then at £165/m2 it would be £64,000.

Take it you need a smaller bed for the centre of this area say 5m wide x 3m deep then this would cover 15m2, if you wanted an annual InstaPlant carpet of this size then at £165/m2 it would be £2675.

Best for you to decide which size you require (how much carpet you want to buy) and let me know.

We can add the lettering BRIDGE 400 below the bridge like this:



The design will need to be simplified in carpet bedding but I'm sure we could do something with the image.

Let me know if you want a full quote for production, please give me the invoice and delivery address and contact details. We could deliver carpet beds in June if you order before March.

If you require the plants only to plant into the ground yourself then we could calculate the plants required for you and let you know when they can be delivered. Approx 15m2 total coverage if planting 400 plants /m2 would require 6000 plants. If 30p per plant then this would cost approx. £1800 delivered.

InstaPlant Carpet Beds

We design your ideas in your bed dimensions and produce your carpet bed to order and send it to you in pre-established tiles (like a jigsaw) to install onto a prepared bed. The cost of supply of annual InstaPlant carpet bedding is £165/m2 and there is a one off design fee of £200 per bed designed. The cost of supply of hardy InstaPlant carpet bedding is £185/m2 and there is a one off design fee of £200 per bed designed.

Carpet beds usually are displayed on a 30 - 45 degree slope. You may have to construct a bed where you want a carpet bed which in the case of a natural grass slope means cutting away an area of turf on a slope and levelling out the soil and raking the soil to a fine tilth. Or if the ground is flat, you may have to construct a slope using materials such as bricks, stone, railway sleepers or wood. The tiles will only need a 150mm depth of top soil to establish into so the main part of the slope can be filled with soil or you could use non-compressible (clean) material with a layer of topsoil. The InstaPlant tiles are 30cm wide x 50cm long x 4cm deep. The planting density of the 3cm plugs is 400 plants/m2.

Installation time is usually less than a day and the display is instant, the tiles will suppress weeds, maintenance will be required such as trimming and watering when required, but the maintenance required is reduced due to the plants being pre-established in tiles. Installation of the InstaPlant tiles is fairly simple, it should take a team of 3 people less than half a day to install a display of 25m2.

If you have your own design ideas send them to instaplant@kernock.co.uk for a free no obligation quote.

3D InstaPlant Displays

The 3D InstaPlant displays are three dimensional displays filled with annual carpet bedding plants, delivered in June if well maintained will last until the first frosts of winter when the framework can be removed and emptied and replanted the following year for half the cost of ordering the display in the first year. They can be planted up to survive the winter but the colours are more muted and we are restricted on what hardy plants we can use that will tolerate the constant wet and dry conditions that plants in the 3D displays are subject to.

The price of 3D InstaPlant is dependent on the cost of the manufacture of the steel framework. Best to send me a photo image of what you want the display to be based on and size required so I can quote for it. If you require a quote simply send me an image to base the quote on and confirm the size required, delivery date required and delivery address then I can send you a production quote.

All prices above do not include VAT.

For more info see the InstaPlant website <u>www.instaplant.co.uk</u>

You can see our range of carpet bedding and the full range of ornamental plants on our Kernock Park Plants website www.kernock.co.uk

To order we require an official purchase order confirming the quote ordered, invoice and delivery address and contact details.

Kind regards

Chris Harnett InstaPlant Manager

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From: Margaret Shaw <margaretannshaw@outlook.com>

Sent: Friday, October 6, 2023 4:04 PM

To: Chris Harnett <instaplant@kernock.co.uk>

Subject:

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Thank you for the very helpful phone call I had with yourselves yesterday I attach 2 photos of the Bridge and some basic details of its construction.

It is Grade 1 listed and a scheduled ancient monument The bridge is 1,164 ft (355 m) long and 17 ft (5.2 m) wide between the parapets, with an upwards slope towards the north-eastern end. The spans are not even in length, and range between 24 ft (7.3 m) and 75 ft (23 m), the longest being the penultimate span at the north-eastern end. There are 13 arches but no all have to be included!

The bed where we would like the commemoration to be has overall dimensions are 25metre width and 16m in depth. I would think a grass border surrounding the planting would be helpful for watering etc, The wording would be Bridge 400 Please let me know if you need more details.

Best wishes,

Margaret Shaw Bridge 400 Facilitator..

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