

The north-east quarter which housed the, now demolished, servant's wing was planted with an orchard and was next to the location of the Green House.

North-east Quarter

Key considerations and opportunities for this area:

- Improve habitats and biodiversity and promote access to nature via informal grass paths within the orchard. Fallen orchard fruit would provide a foraging opportunity to invertebrates, birds and badgers.
- Reinterpret the former bee hives as an incidental play moment and incorporate bug boxes / invertebrate hotel features.
- Create evergreen enclosures and hedging providing year-round cover for woodland birds.
- Remove dilapidated timber palisade fencing and install estate railings or post and wire fencing with gates for access.
- Explore opportunities for managed extensive volunteer tree planting projects.
- Tree thinning and coppicing to promote healthier, more biodiverse understorey and ground flora.
- Create a woodland edge gradient from a dense understorey in the north, through to a more open canopy and a mix of long sward grass in the south. Woodland edge habitats are important for a range of wildlife including invertebrates such as speckled wood butterflies and small mammals, which in turn will support wildlife higher in the food chain including birds such as tawny owl.
- New tree planting in avenues, orchard and within thickets.
- Additional shrub understorey planting in thickets.
- New meadow understorey to grove tree planting with mown paths.
- New hedge planting.



Visualisation - view through proposed orchard in north-east Woodland Quarter. For viewpoint location refer to plan opposite.