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Radio gardener digs Foundation's foliage

BBC Radio Berkshire selected the unusual surroundings of Foundation Business Park in Cannon Lane, Maidenhead, last week for the gardening programme presented by resident gardening expert Colin Evans who brought his radio car to the revamped office park for his two-hour live show.

The horticulturist, who sometimes gives talks on cruise liners and is a professional public speaker, was fascinated by the unusual plants which have been selected for Foundation Park, chosen specifically because they attract birds and bees.

Workers used to sterile manicured lawns on traditional business parks get a kick from seeing naturally attractive flora and fauna like foxgloves, red hot pokers and giant feather grasses growing outside their offices.

He interviewed Lindsay Turkington from the specialist landscape architecture firm Whitelaw Turkington and contract manager John Crouch of gardening business Gavin Jones whose gardeners planted and maintain the plants.

The specialist landscape architect employed by the park's owner, Frogmore Real Estate Partners, has also selected exactly the right sort of planting to create a mixed habitat for creatures and insects favoured by the Building Research Establishment's Environmental Audit.

No wonder they awarded the development a coveted BRE Environmental Assessment Method (BREEAM) gold award.



SHOW GARDEN: John Crouch and Lindsay Turkington with Colin Evans.