

ARBORICULTURAL METHOD STATEMENT (AMS)

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Trows Farm
Trows Lane
Rochdale
OL11 2UF

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Construction work in close proximity to important trees, or within the Root Protection Area (RPA) of tree(s) due to be retained were identified within the Arboricultural Impact Assessment (AIA): UG_2826_ARB_AIA_01_REV_01_FINAL).

This AMS should be read in conjunction with the Tree Protection Plan (UG_2826_ARB_TPP_01_REV_01), as it cross-references the Tree Protection Plan for each specific area of work.

The AMS aims to provide general guidelines to onsite personnel that must be followed when working in proximity to trees on Construction sites.

All site personnel should have access to this document and be made aware of any sections that may be relevant to their specific area of work.

It is essential to adhere to the recommendations within this document during on-site operations to ensure the successful retention of trees as part of the proposed development.

Compliance with the AMS will be a requirement of all relevant contractors associated with the proposed development.

TREE WORKS SCHEDULE (UG_2826_ARB_TWS_01_REV_01)

Tree Number	BS 5837: 2012 Retention Category	Species	Works Required	Reason	
G9	B	Mixed	Remove a section (refer to TRP).	To facilitate the proposed development	
T10		Turkey oak	Fell to ground level		
G11		Mixed	Remove section (refer to TRP).		
T12	C	Goat willow	Fell to ground level		
G18	A	Mixed	Remove two sections (refer to TRP)	Arboricultural best practice	
G19	C	European larch	Fell to ground level		
T30	U				
G31	A	Mixed	Fell two trees to ground level (refer to TRP).		To facilitate the proposed development
G33	C	Goat willow	Prune back to allow 2m clearance from fishing track (refer to TRP)		
G35		Sycamore			
G37		Mixed			
T38	B	Common alder	Fell to ground level		
G40	C	Mixed	Crown-lift/ remove self-set saplings to allow 5m height clearance over site (refer to TRP).		
G41				B	
G42				C	
T43	U	Ash			
G44	B	Mixed		Remove tree within redline boundary and crown-lift remaining canopy to 5m above site (refer to TRP).	
T45	C	Grey willow	Fell to ground level	To facilitate the proposed development	
T46	A	Sessile oak			
T47	C	Elder			
T48	A	Sessile oak			
T49	C	Hawthorn			
G50	B	Mixed			
T51		C			Silver birch
G52					
T53					
T54	B	Sessile oak			
G55	C	Hawthorn			
G56	B	Silver birch			
G57	C	Hawthorn			
G58		Mixed			
G59					

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T60	A	Sessile oak	Fell to ground level	To facilitate the proposed development
H61	C	Hawthorn		
G62		Goat Willow		
G63		Mixed		
G64		Hawthorn		
G65	C	Mixed	Prune back to site boundary (refer to TRP)	
T66		Hawthorn		
G67	A	Mixed	Fell to ground level	
G68	C	Hawthorn		
G69				
T70	B	Goat Willow	Remove section (refer to TRP)	
G71	C	Mixed		
G73				
G74	A			
W76			Remove section (refer to TRP)	

TREE REMOVAL PLAN (UG_2826_ARB_TRP_01_REV_01)



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	Retained Tree
	Removed Tree
	Extents of pruning
	Position Estimated on Site
	Redline Site Boundary

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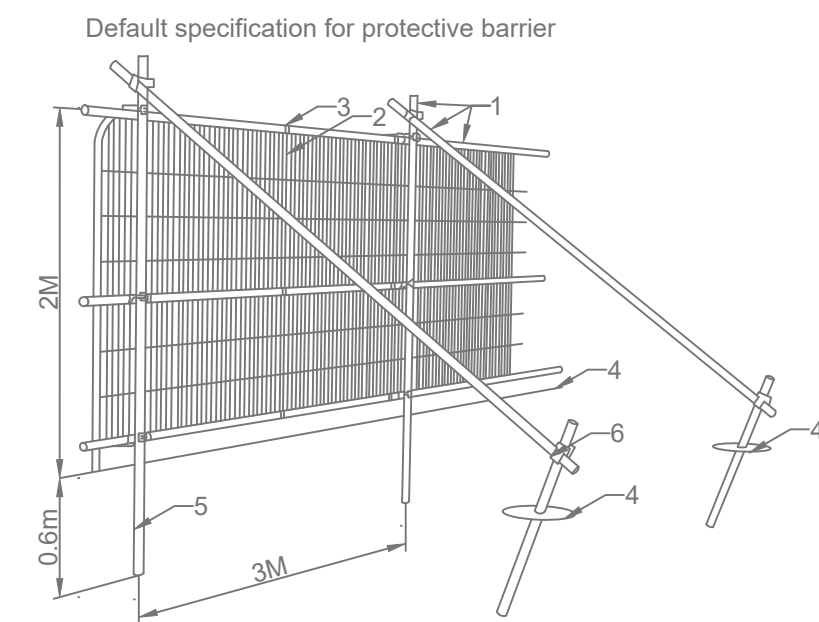
Protective Fencing

- Temporary protective fencing will need to be installed at the allignment indicated on the Tree Protection Plan (UG_3066_ARB_TPP_01_REV_00) prior to the commencement of any construction activities on site including the delivery of materials and site facilities.
- Any fencing that is damaged so that it is no longer able to protect retained trees must be replaced/repaired immediately with appropriate fencing at the alignment indicated on the Tree Protection Plan.
- The 'in-ground' system involves driving vertical scaffold poles approximately 0.6m into the ground onto which are affixed horizontal scaffold poles and bracing struts. 2m high anti-climb weldmesh panels are then wired to the scaffold framework. The vertical scaffold poles should be at a maximum 3m apart.
- No fixing shall be made to any tree and all possible precautions shall be taken to prevent damage to the tree roots when locating uprights.
- A 600mm x 300mm warning sigh reading 'TREE PROTECTION AREA KEEP OUT' shall be fixed to every 10m of protective fencing.

Ground Protection

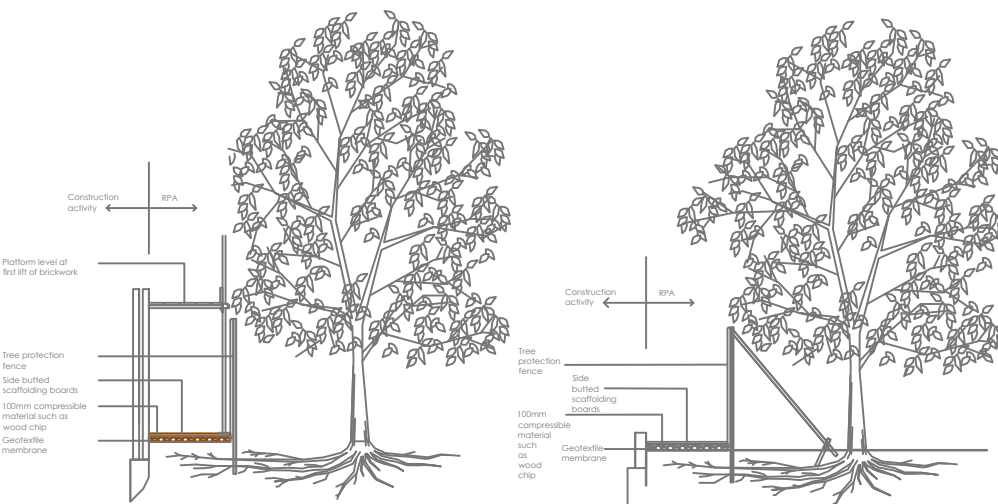
- The primary method of ground protection is the installation of a compressible layer (e.g. woodchip) over a geotextile fabric with side butting scaffold boards.
- Ground protection measures whilst working within the RPA must be capable of supporting the expected loads and avoid compaction of the soil.
- The boarding will be left in place until the construction works are finished.
- Scaffolding may first be erected with the uprights on spreader boards and the ground protection installed around the uprights.
- The ground protection may be comprised of the following:
 - for pedestrian movements only, 100mm depth of woodchip laid onto a geotextile membrane;
 - for pedestrian-operated plant up to a gross weight of 2 t, proprietary, inter-linked ground protection boards placed on top of a compression-resistant layer (e.g. 150mm depth of woodchip), laid onto a geotextile membrane;
 - for wheeled or tracked construction traffic exceeding 2 t gross weight, an alternative system (e.g. proprietary systems or pre-cast reinforced concrete slabs) to an engineered specification designed in conjunction with arboricultural advice, to accomodate the likely loading to which it will be subjected.

Insert 1: Tree protective fencing specification



- Key
- Standard scaffold poles
 - Heavy gauge 2m tall galvanneal tube and welded mesh (150 panels)
 - Panels secured to upright and cross-members with wire ties
 - Ground level
 - Uprights driven into the ground until secure (minimum depth 0.6m)
 - Standard scaffold clamps

Insert 3: Ground protection specification



Insert 2: Tree protection notice



TREE PROTECTION PLAN (UG_2826_ARB_TPP_01_REV_01)



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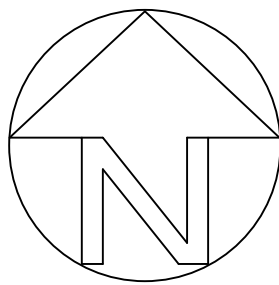
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Excavations and Root Pruning

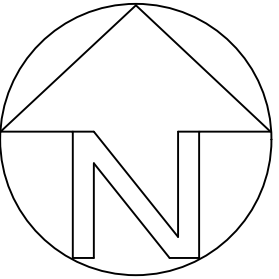
1. Any necessary excavation must be carried out using hand tools to avoid direct damage to the protective bark of tree roots. It may be possible in some instances to use specialised equipment such as high air pressure machinery to excavate the soil with minimal disturbance to roots.
2. Exposed roots will be wrapped in dry, clean Hessian sacking to prevent desiccation and to protect from rapid temperature changes. In warmer weather, the sacking should be kept moist by regular watering. Sacking should be removed before backfilling.
3. Roots less than 25mm diameter may be pruned back, preferably to a growing point. A sharp cutting tool such as bypass secateurs or a handsaw should be used to leave the smallest wound possible. Roots greater than 25mm in diameter should be retained wherever possible.
4. Root pruning should be carried out under the supervision of the Arboricultural Consultant to ensure that only roots necessary to facilitate the development will be removed and the long-term well-being of retained trees is maintained.
5. Backfilling of any excavation should be carried out by hand to avoid direct root damage by excessive compaction and should include, where possible, the replacement of inert granular material mixed with sharp sand (not builder's sand) around retained roots.

EXTENTS OF ARBORICULTURAL SUPERVISED EXCAVATION



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Arboricultural Monitoring Schedule				
Task	Description	Person Responsible	Date	Signed
Work Schedule	Agree timeline of construction works, including key arboricultural works.	Site manager/Arboricultural Consultant		
Inspection of tree works	Ensure that all tree works have been completed in accordance with the schedule and in accordance with BS 3998: 2010 ' <i>Tree Work - Recommendations</i> '.	Local Authority Tree Officer/ Arboricultural Consultant		
Inspection of protective fencing	Inspection of protective fencing prior to any construction works beginning on site to ensure that it is installed in accordance with the Tree Protection Plan.	Local Authority Tree Officer/ Arboricultural Consultant		
Supervised Excavation with Possible Root Pruning	Supervision of hand dig/ air spade excavationin accordance with the Tree Protection Plan and root pruning as required by consultant.			
Inspection of protective fencing	Ad hoc inspection of protective fencing to ensure continued tree protection during construction.	Local Authority Tree Officer/ Arboricultural Consultant		
Inspection of protective fencing.	Inspection and sign off of protective fencing upon completion of construction prior to its removal.	Local Authority Tree Officer/ Arboricultural Consultant		

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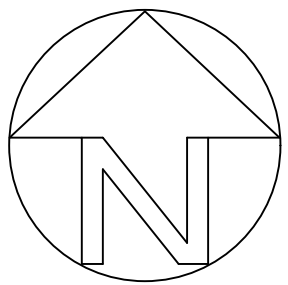
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