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**Site: Sidmouth Street, London**

As an addendum to the Arboricultural Method Statement by ACD Arboriculture for Crest Nicholson, dated 25.07.2012.

Trial pits carried out at the site have indicated that the soil on site is comprised of heavily compacted hardcore, to a depth of 3m. To avoid damage to main roots immediately in the vicinity of the trees, it will be necessary to hand dig the footings for the proposed railings, with the frontage wall and railings built to bridge roots in the vicinity of the trees.

In order to ensure protection for the existing trees on site the following method statement must be adhered to.

Method Statement for Installation of Railings on site Frontage with Sidmouth Street:

## **1. NO-DIG WALL CONSTRUCTION**

1.1. Structure to be installed as per engineers approved specification.

1.2. Stages for construction:

- 1) Contact project arboriculturist to hold pre-start site meeting and 'toolbox' talk before starting work
- 2) Tree Protection Fence to be taken down only when commencement of work is imminent
- 3) Excavation to establish root free sites for foundations to be carried out by hand.
- 4) In the vicinity of the tree stems, the location of roots will be determined. These will then be bridged using precast concrete lintels or similar
- 5) Remaining construction built on slab with no further excavation.

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