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## ***Tree Protection Method Statement***

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MAITLAND PARK PLAY AREAS A/802-14

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Further to the Planning Decision Notice dated 09.10.06 from the London Borough of Camden, which included a condition (item 2) relating to the protection of the existing trees, we have established the following criteria for the protection of the existing trees during the forthcoming construction works. We submit this tree protection method statement in order to discharge Condition 2.

All existing trees are to be retained.

- The limit of the construction site (as shown on the attached plan as a yellow dashed line), will be secured with 2 metre height Heras fencing.
- The areas that have been identified for storage of materials and equipment are shown on the plan, shaded in blue. These are paved residents parking bays, adjacent to the road, that can be suspended for the duration of the contract.
- The access arrangements to the site are shown as green arrows. Access will be from the existing road up an existing concrete ramp onto the paved footpath and along this footpath to each site.

For the protection of the existing trees, we will adhere to the recommendations stated in BS5837 Trees in Relation to Construction. Prior to commencing on site, we propose to fence off the construction site using 2 metre height Heras secure fencing (as shown on the attached plan). This fence will be a minimum of 2 metres from the trunk of adjacent trees. There will no storage or vehicular access within 2 metres of the trunk of existing trees.

During operations, if any root is uncovered that is thicker than 20mm in diameter, then a Tree Officer from L.B. Camden is to be informed before works can continue. Any roots that

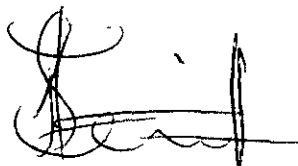
are exposed during the works will be covered with damp hessian and all efforts will be made to re-cover them with soil as soon as is practicable.

There is one tree that is within the site boundary and we would like to propose the following additional measures:

- Prior to commencing on site, 2 metre height Heras fencing is to be erected around the existing tree at a minimum of 2 metres from the trunk to ensure protection, until the works take place that require the contractor to work closer to the tree.
- At this time, within this area:
  - o only hand-digging to be used
  - o no storage of any item
  - o no plant or other machinery
  - o ground levels to remain undisturbed (i.e. neither raised nor lowered)

The proposals for the area around this tree are a circular plant bed (planted with *Hedera hibernica*, *Lamium maculatum*, *Liriope muscari* & *Vinca minor*). The proposed plant bed edging is a plastic edge restraint placed a minimum of 1500mm from the trunk. Further out from this edge is porous rubber crumb play safety surfacing.

Included with this method statement as Appendix A are photographs of the proposed contractor's storage location & site access, and as Appendix B there is a plan showing the fenced construction boundary, location of storage & access.



Signed: .....

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For & on behalf of Groundwork (Contract Administrator & Principal Landscape