Protection and Retention of Existing Vegetation The Contractor shall exercise extreme care when performing operations beneath the canopy of existing mature trees and vegetation and within the specified tree Root Protection Areas designated for protection and avoid at all times damage to the roots, trunk and branches.

All excavations, cultivation and grading beneath the canopy of existing mature trees and within the specified Root Protection Areas of the existing trees and vegetation shall be carried out using hand tools, taking care not to damage or disturb any existing tree roots.

All trees to be retained on site shall be protected with fencing erected around the area of mature vegetation in accordance with BS 5837:2012 'Trees in Relation to Design, Demolition and Construction - Recommendations'. The fencing shall be installed, protected and maintained during the main works by the Contractor who shall be responsible for protecting any area beneath the canopy of the existing trees and within the specified Root Protection Areas.

The installed protective fencing shall be 2.0 metres minimum height 'Heras' Welded Wire Mesh Fencing positioned to the outside edge of the existing tree Root Protection Areas specified. All tree protection to be in accordance with BS 5837:2012; 'Trees in Relation to Design, Demolition and Construction - Recommendations'. The fencing should be strained, and fixed to fences, walls, knee rails where possible to provide a complete protected area.

Day-glo ribbons shall be maintained during the main works by the Main Contractor attached to the top of the fencing to ensure that the fencing is clearly visible during the works. Fencing shall be used to enclose the full canopy spread of any tree in accordance with the specified Root Protection Areas and generally with 1.5m on either side of any hedge or as specified in the Tree Retention and Protection Plan.

All such fencing shall be maintained for the full contract period. All necessary excavations, earthworks and cultivation beneath the canopy spread of any existing tree; shrub or hedge shall be undertaken by hand. Repositioning of the protective fencing during the course of the contract as the contract works progress shall need to be agreed with the Landscape Architect.

At the end of the contract period the Contractor shall remove protective fencing from the site. All retained vegetation shall be healthy and thriving at the handover date.

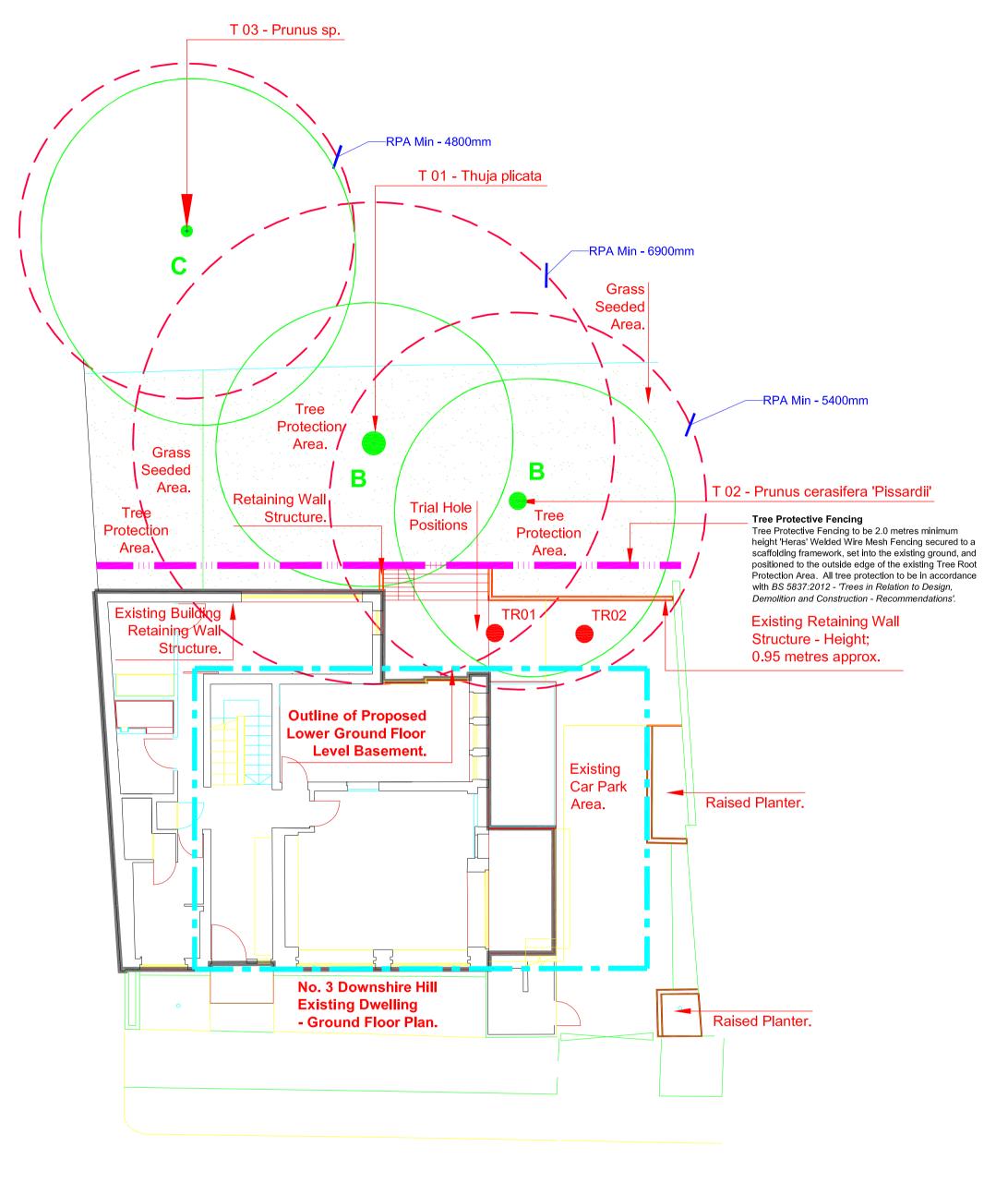
Within the protected area the following activities must not take

- No vehicles are to be used in the fenced off areas;
- No materials are to be stockpiled or stored; No chemicals are to be stored;
- No excavation or increase in the soil level shall occur;
- No fires shall be lit on site.

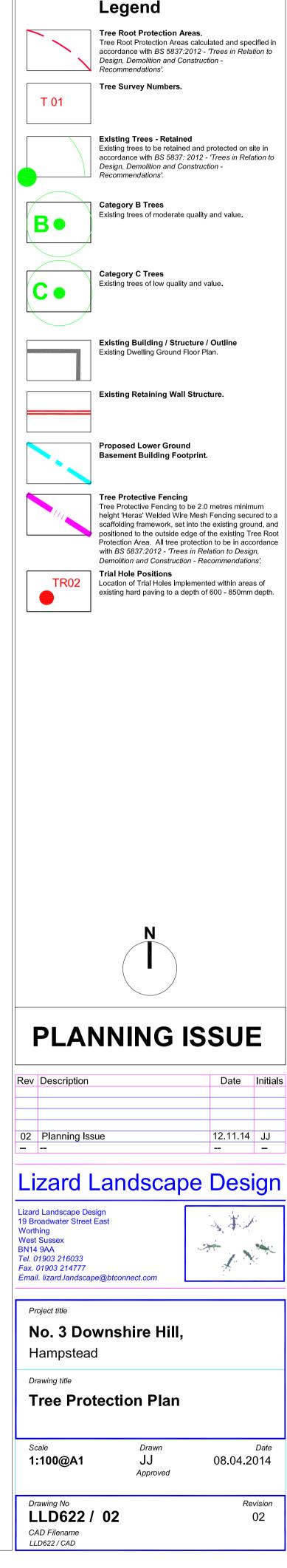
Tree Surgery

Any significant defects found in the trees during the course of the scheduled work shall be reported to the Landscape Architect. All work shall be undertaken by an approved and qualified tree surgeon in accordance with BS 3998: 2010 'Tree Work. Recommendations'. Care should be taken to avoid damage to neighbouring trees to be retained. Branches in confined spaces shall be removed and taken down in sections. All arisings shall be transported and disposed of away from site to the Contractor's tip.

Tree and Vegetation ManagementFor Tree and Vegetation Retention and Protection Proposals refer to the accompanying LLD622 - Existing Tree Schedule.



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