

IAN KEEN
LIMITED



**ARBORICULTURAL
METHOD STATEMENT**

**RELATING TO PROPOSED
DEVELOPMENT
UPON LAND AT**

**150 HOLBORN
LONDON**

**Our Reference
JTK/9062/JK**

16th August 2016

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Pringle Brandon Perkins & Will

1. Statement of purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this method statement is to demonstrate how works will be undertaken at 150 Holborn, London, to provide for an acceptable arboricultural impact and provide an adequate level of protection for those trees that are to be retained.
- 1.2 This method statement has been produced for Pringle Brandon Perkins & Will in order to inform the planning determination and the construction team. It supersedes any previous method statement.
- 1.3 This method statement merely considers the systems of work in relation to the health and safety of retained trees. It does not address requirements of the Health and Safety Executive that should be considered in detail by those parties involved.

2. Related documents and drawings

- 2.1 This method statement should be read in conjunction with the documents in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Documents referred to

Originator	Title/Reference
British Standards Institute	<i>BS3998:2010:Tree Works - Recommendations</i>
British Standards Institute	<i>BS5837:2012 Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction – Recommendations</i>

and the following drawings in Table 2

Table 2: Drawings referred to

Originator	Drg No	Title	Scale
Ian Keen Limited	9062/01	Tree Constraints Plan	1:200 @ A1
Ian Keen Limited	9062/02 Rev B	Tree Protection Plan	1:200 @ A1

3. Arboricultural issues & implications

- 3.1 Detail of the trees and their protection are discussed and detailed in the documents, and shown on the drawings, listed above and should be read in conjunction with this method statement.
- 3.2 The proposed building façade broadly aligns with the existing façade and is therefore close to the crowns of the trees. There is already separation from the building façade and repeat pruning to achieve 2m clearance for working room and future separation is required.

- 3.3 Where trees are located within the site hoarding they shall be protected as shown on the Tree Protection Plan listed above.

4. Tree pruning

- 4.1 Trees 1 and 2 shall be pruned to provide 2m separation from the proposed building façade.
- 4.2 Pruning shall be undertaken in advance of demolition and construction activity to provide the necessary clearance and avoid damage to the retained trees.
- 4.3 Pruning shall be undertaken by London Borough of Camden's term-contractor for tree works in accordance with best practice guidance.
- 4.4 All tree work shall be undertaken in accordance with *BS3998:2010:Tree Work – Recommendations* unless superseded by London Borough of Camden's own requirements for tree work.

5. Tree protection

- 5.1 Where trees are included within the site hoarding the lower stems shall be protected with timber boxing to 2.4m height or to the underside of the lowest branch if lower.
- 5.2 The location and typical detail of the timber boxing is shown on the Tree Protection Plan.
- 5.3 If the trees are excluded from the site hoarding, and remain in the public realm, then they shall not be protected as described above as they are not at exceptional risk of harm from the construction activity.

6. Sequencing of works

- 6.1 A logical sequence of events is to be observed as follows:

Stage 1	Undertake tree pruning
Stage 2	Erect protective barriers
Stage 3	Undertake demolition
Stage 4	Implement development construction
Stage 5	Take down protective barriers.

7. Conclusion

- 7.1 If the provisions of this arboricultural method statement are complied with in full, the proposed works will be able to proceed without detrimental impact to retained trees.