

## ARBORICULTURAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR:

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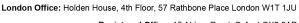
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Caveats

This report is primarily an arboricultural report. Whilst comments relating to matters involving built structures or soil data may appear, any opinion thus expressed should be viewed as qualified, and confirmation from an appropriately qualified professional sought. Such points are usually clearly identified within the body of the report. It is not a full safety survey or subsidence risk assessment survey. These services can be provided but a further fee would be payable. Where matters of tree condition with a safety implication are noted during a survey they will of course appear in the report.

A tree survey is generally considered invalid in planning terms after 2 years, but changes in tree condition may occur at any time, particularly after acute (e.g. storm events) or prolonged (e.g. drought) environmental stresses or injuries (e.g. root severance). Routine surveys at different times of the year and within two - three years of each other (subject to the incidence of the above stresses) are recommended for the health and safety management of trees remote from highways or busy access routes. Annual surveys are recommended for the latter.

Tree works recommendations are found in the Appendices to this report. It is assumed, unless otherwise stated ("ASAP" or "Option to") that all husbandry recommendations will be carried out within 6 months of the report's first issue. Clearly, works required to facilitate development will not be required if the application is shelved or refused. However, necessary husbandry work should not be shelved with the application and should be brought to the attention of the person responsible, by the applicant, if different. Under the Occupiers Liability Act of 1957, the owner (or his agent) of a tree is charged with the due care of protecting persons and property from foreseeable damage and injury.' He is responsible for damage and/or nuisance arising from all parts of the tree, including roots and branches, regardless of the property on which they occur. He also has a duty under The Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 to provide a safe place of work, during construction. Tree works should only be carried out with local authority consent, where applicable.

Inherent in a tree survey is assessment of the risk associated with trees close to people and their property. Most human activities involve a degree of risk, such risks being commonly accepted if the associated benefits are perceived to be commensurate.

Risks associated with trees tend to increase with the age of the trees concerned, but so do many of the benefits. It will be appreciated, and deemed to be accepted by the client, that the formulation of recommendations for all management of trees will be guided by the cost-benefit analysis (in terms of amenity), of tree work that would remove all risk of tree related damage.

Prior to the commencement of any tree works, an ecological assessment of specific trees may be required to ascertain whether protected species (e.g. bats, badgers and invertebrates etc.) may be affected.

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## 1.0 SUMMARY

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Local	Author	ity:	LB Camden		Da	ate:	17/12/2017				
Site A	ddress:	94 Agam	emnon Road, London N	W6 1EH							
Propo	sal: Alte	rations to	existing property and de	emolition	and rebu	ilding of garage					
Repoi	rt Chec	klist		Y/N				Y/N			
Arbori	icultural	constrain	ts on site	Υ	Trees r	removal proposed		N			
Tree S	Survey			Υ	Topogr	Topographical Survey					
BS583	37 Repo	rt		Υ	Conser	Conservation Area					
Tree F	Preserva	tion Orde	rs	N/k							
Tree F	Protection	n Plan:		N/a	(Includ	e in future method :	statement)				
Tree C	Constrai	nts Plan:		Υ							
Arbori	icultural	Impact As	ssessment:	Υ							
Site L	.ayout										
Site V	isit	Υ	Date: 13/12/17		Access	Access Full/Partial/None					
Trees	on Site			N	Off-site Trees						
Trees	affected	d by devel	opment	N	O/s trees affected by development						
Tree r	eplacen	nent propo	osed:	N/a		On or off-site trees indirectly affected by development					
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Recor	mmende	d works	for off-site T1 regardles	s of dev	elopment	, but also pertinent	to maintaining a sa	fe worl			
Recor	mmend	ations									
1	Proposal will mean the loss of important trees (TPO/CA)										
2	Proposal has sufficient amelioration for tree loss										
3	Proposals provide adequate tree protection measures										
4	Propos	al will me	an retained trees are too	buildings	3		N				
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RPA= Root Protection Area

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TPP= Tree Protection Plan

AMS= Arboricultural Method Statement AIA = Arboricultural Implication Assessment

BS5837: 2012 'Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction – Recommendations'

Specialist demolition / construction techniques required

Further investigation of tree condition recommended

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The Proposal will result in significant root damage to retained trees

#### INTRODUCTION

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## 2.1 Terms of Reference

- 2.1.1 LANDMARK TREES were asked by Joe Friedman to provide a survey and an arboricultural impact assessment of proposals for the site: 94 Agamemnon Road, London NW6 1EH. The report is to accompany a planning application.
- 2.1.2 The proposals are for the addition of a second bay, to the north of the main entrance, that externally exactly replicates the existing bay to the south of the main entrance, arranged symmetrically about the centre line of the main entrance; the rearrangement of the ground floor plan and north elevation at ground floor level; the extension of the existing pitched roof over the new bay to the north of the main entrance; the addition of a flat roofed extension in the crook formed between original and new pitched roof elements; the demolition of the existing garage and its replacement with a more attractive, slightly taller structure, more in keeping with, but still subsidiary to the main building. The floor level of the garage is to be shallow-excavated by c. 75cm.
- 2.1.3 This report will assess the impact on the trees and their constraints, identified in our survey. Although the proposals were known at the time of the survey, Landmark Trees endeavour to survey each site blind, working from a topographical survey, wherever possible, with the constraints plan informing their evolution.
- 2.1.4 I am a Registered Consultant and Fellow of the Arboricultural Association and a Chartered Forester, with a Masters Degree in Arboriculture and 25 years' experience of the landscape industry including the Forestry Commission and Agricultural Development and Advisory Service. I am a UK Registered Expert Witness, trained in single and joint expert witness duties. I am also Chairman of the UK & I Regional Plant Appraisal Committee, inaugurated to promote international standards of valuation in arboriculture.

# 2.2 Drawings Supplied

2.2.1 The drawings supplied by the client and relied upon by Landmark Trees in the formulation of our survey plans are:

Existing site survey: Topographical survey as extg

Proposals: L(--)06 Rev APDF

# 2.3 Scope of Survey

- 2.3.1 As Landmark Trees' (LT) arboricultural consultant, I surveyed the trees on site on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017, recording relevant qualitative data in order to assess both their suitability for retention and their constraints upon the site, in accordance with British Standard 5837:2012 Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction Recommendations [BS5837:2012].
- 2.3.2 Our survey of the trees, the soils and any other factors, is of a preliminary nature. The trees were SURVEYED on the basis of the Visual Tree Assessment method expounded by Mattheck and Breloer (The Body Language of Trees, DoE booklet Research for Amenity Trees No. 4, 1994). LT have not taken any samples for analysis and the trees were not climbed, but inspected from ground level.
- 2.3.3 A tree survey is generally considered invalid in planning terms after 2 years, but changes in tree condition may occur at any time, particularly after acute (e.g. storm events) or prolonged (e.g. drought) environmental stresses or injuries (e.g. root severance). Routine surveys at different times of the year and within two three years of each other (subject to the incidence of the above stresses) are recommended for the health and safety management of trees remote from highways or busy access routes. Annual surveys are recommended for the latter.
- 2.3.4 The survey does not cover the arrangements that may be required in connection with the laying or removal of underground services.

## 2.4 Survey Data & Report Layout

- 2.4.1 Detailed records of individual trees are given in the survey schedule in Appendix 1 to this report. General husbandry recommendations are provided within Appendix 2. If for whatever reason the development does not go ahead, our recommendations in Appendix 2 would still apply.
- 2.4.2 A site plan identifying the surveyed trees, based on the Instructing Party's drawings / topographical survey is provided in Part 3 of this report.
- 2.4.3 This plan also serves as the Tree Constraints Plan with the theoretical Recommended Protection Areas (RPA's), tree canopies and shade constraints, (from BS5837: 2012) overlain onto it. These constraints are then overlain in turn onto the Instructing Party's proposals to create a second Arboricultural Impact Assessment Plan in Part 3. General observations and discussion follow, below.

#### 3.0 OBSERVATIONS

# 3.1 Site Description



Photograph 1: 94 Agamemnon Road, London NW6 1EH (Source: Google Maps)

- 3.1.1 This property comprises a semi-detached four-bedroom two-storey Victorian house. The house is located on a tight, end-of-terrace site. Although the terrace as a whole faces south, onto Agamemnon Road, the front of the property faces east, onto Ajax Road. Directly across Ajax Road from the property is a play park, located in the northwest corner of Fortune Green. The north boundary of the property adjoins Hampstead Cemetery. The existing property is neither listed, nor in a conservation area, nor visible from a conservation area.
- 3.1.2 The site is relatively level.
- 3.1.3 In terms of the British Geological Survey, the site overlies the London Clay Formation (see indicated location on Fig.1 plan extract below). The associated soils are generally, highly shrinkable clay; e.g. slowly permeable seasonally waterlogged fine loam over clay. Such highly plastic soils are prone to movement: subsidence and heave. The actual distribution of the soil series are not as clearly defined on the ground as on plan and there may be anomalies in the actual composition of clay, silt and sand content.
- 3.1.4 Clay soils are prone to compaction during development with damage to soil structure potentially having a serious impact on tree health. The design of foundations near problematic tree species will also need to take into consideration subsidence risk. Further advice from the relevant experts on the specific soil properties can be sought as necessary.

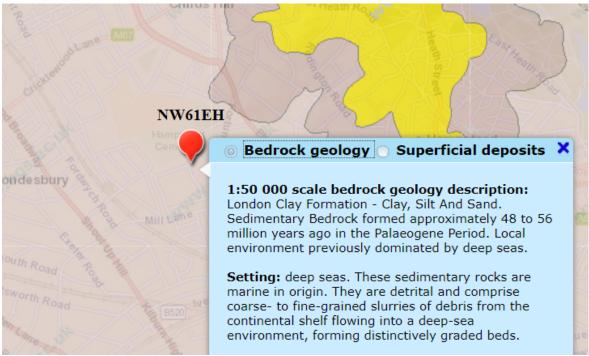


Figure 1: Extract from the BGS Geology of Britain Viewer

# 3.2 Subject Trees

- 3.2.1 Only 1 tree on or adjacent to the site comprises a planning constraint, the C category \*(Low Quality), semi-mature Norway maple located beyond a Victorian brick wall.
- 3.2.4 Full details of the surveyed trees can be found in Appendix 1 of this report.
- 3.2.5 There are recommended works for T1. These are listed in Appendix 2.

# 3.3 Planning Status

- 3.3.1 We are not aware of the existence of any Tree Preservation Orders, but understand the site does not stand within any Conservation Area, which will affect the subject trees: it is a criminal offence to prune, damage or fell such trees without permission from the local authority.
- 3.3.2 Relevant local planning policies comprise Policy 7.21 of the London Plan 2015 and Policies A3 and D1 of the Camden Local Plan (adopted 3rd July 2017).

#### 4.0 DEVELOPMENT CONSTRAINTS

## 4.1 Primary Constraints

- 4.1.1 BS5837: 2012 gives Recommended Protection Areas (RPA's) for any given tree size. The individual RPA's are calculated in the Tree Schedule in Appendix 1 to this report, or rather the notional radius of that RPA, based on a circular protection zone. The prescribed radius is 12-x stem diameter at 1.5m above ground level, except where composite formulae are used in the case of multi-stemmed trees.
- 4.1.2 Circular RPA's are appropriate for individual specimen trees grown freely, but where there is ground disturbance, the morphology of the RPA can be modified to an alternative polygon, as shown in the diagram below (Figure 2). Alternatively, one need principally remember that RPA's are area-based and not linear notional rather than fixed entities.

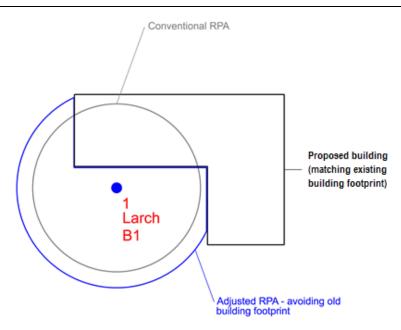


Figure 2 - Generic BS 5837 RPA Adjustments

- 4.1.3 In BS5837, paragraph 4.6.2 states that RPA's should reflect the morphology and disposition of the roots; where pre-existing site conditions or other factors indicate that rooting has occurred asymmetrically, a polygon of equivalent area should be produced. Modifications to the shape of the RPA should reflect a soundly based arboricultural assessment of likely root distribution.
- 4.1.4 In this instance, a priroi modifications have been made in order to reflect the inhibition of root development into the application site by the substantial brick wall (see Photograph 2) between it and T1, though further investigations are recommended, where the proposals encroach / come near RPA and their modification could have a bearing on the impact assessment.



Photograph 2: Brick wall separating T1 from application site (Source: Google Maps)

- 4.1.5 The quality of trees will also be a consideration: U Category trees are discounted from the planning process in view of their limited service life. Again, Category-C trees would not normally constrain development individually, unless they provide some external screening function.
- 4.1.6 At paragraph 5.1.1. BS5837: 2012 notes that "Care should be exercised over misplaced tree preservation; attempts to retain too many or unsuitable trees on a site are liable to result in excessive pressure on the trees during demolition or construction work, or post-completion demands on their removal."
- 4.1.7 In theory, only moderate quality trees and above are significant material constraints on development. However, the low quality trees would comprise a constraint in aggregate, in terms of any collective loss / removal, where replacement planting would be appropriate, though no such collective impact is proposed.
- 4.1.8 In this instance, there are no internal site trees and significant impediments to root growth into the site and therefore only limited primary constraints upon development.

# 4.2 Secondary Constraints

4.2.1 The second type of constraint produced by trees that are to be retained is that the proximity of the proposed development to the trees should not threaten their future with ever increasing demands for tree surgery or felling to remove nuisance shading (Figure 3), honeydew deposition or perceived risk of harm.

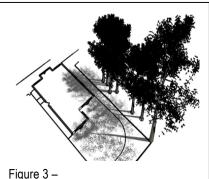
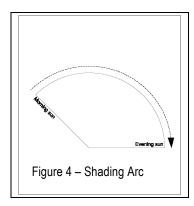


Figure 3 – Generic Shading Constraints

4.2.2 The shading constraints are crudely determined from BS5837 by drawing an arc from northwest to east of the stem base at a distance equal to the height of the tree, as shown in the diagram opposite. Shade is less of a constraint on non-residential developments, particularly where rooms are only ever temporarily occupied.



- 4.2.3 This arc (see Figure 4) represents the effects that a tree will have on layout through shade, based on shadow patterns of 1x tree height for a period May to Sept inclusive 10.00-18.00 hrs daily.
- 4.2.4 Assuming that they will be retained, the orientation of the off-site tree will ensure that shading constraints are minimal, with leaf deposition and honey-dew likely to be as it is today. It will also be noted that the tree is growing in an unsuitable long-term position, abutting the boundary wall.

Note: Sections 5 & 6 will now assess the impacts upon constraints identified in Section 4. Table 1 in Section 5 presents the impacts in tabular form (drawing upon survey data presented in Appendices 1 & 2). Impacts are presented in terms of whole tree removal and the effect on the landscape or partial encroachment (% of RPA) and its effect on individual tree health. Section 6 discusses the table data, elaborating upon the impacts' significance and mitigation.

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Table 1: Arboricultural Impact Assessment

(Impacts assessed prior to mitigation and rated with reference to Matheny & Clark (1998))

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B.S. Cat.	Tree No.	Species	Impact	Tree / RPA Affected	Age	Growth Vitality	Species Tolerance	Impact on Tree Rating	Impact on Site Rating	Mitigation
С	1		Building Construction within theoretical RPA Note: no impact to modified RPA	m² N/A %	Semi-mature	Normal	Moderate	Very Low	Very Low	Airspade / manual excavation

#### 6.0 DISCUSSION

#### 6.1 Rating of Primary Impacts

- 6.1.1 Following the modification of the RPA of T1 as per paragraph 4.6.2 of the British Standard, there is no encroachment by the proposals and thus only theoretical impacts to the tree. Trial pits can of course be provided to confirm this hypothesis, but given the low quality of the tree and likely influence of the existing structures, we suggest instead manual excavation of the first 700mm of the nearest corner footing at the time of construction.
- 6.1.2 The lowering of the floor level of the new garage significantly lessens the need to crown raise / cut back the canopy of T1, any minor facilitation pruning will be of negligible impact provided it is carried out in accordance with good arboricultural practice.
- 6.1.3 The principal of RPA encroachment is established within BS5837:2012 and supported by the source document, National Joint Utilities Guidelines 10 / Vol. 4 1995 / 2010. NJUG introduced the x12 diameter *Precautionary Zone* for supervised working and *Prohibited Zone* at a universal 1m from the base of the tree. RPA's are frequently confused with the NJUG Prohibited Zone, when they clearly correlate with the NJUG Precautionary Zone.
- An RPA encroachment of <20% of RPA may be considered as low impact, given the permissive references to 20% RPA relocation and impermeable paving within BS5837:2012 and other published references to healthy trees tolerating up to 30-50% root severance (Coder, Helliwell and Watson in CEH 2006). The trees in question are healthy specimens of species with a good resistance to development impacts, and quite capable of tolerating these low impacts.
- 6.1.5 "In practice 50% of roots can sometimes be removed with little problem, provided there are vigorous roots elsewhere. Inevitably, this degree of root loss will temporarily slow canopy growth and even lead to some dieback" (Thomas 2000). LT do not recommend annexing such high proportions of the root system; rather that within the context of the published science, planning should not be unduly concerned by impacts that are well below the subcritical threshold *tree health is not at stake*.

6.1.6 BS5837 recommends (at 5.3.a) that if operations within the RPA are proposed, the project arboriculturist should demonstrate that the tree(s) can remain viable and that the area lost to encroachment can be compensated for elsewhere, contiguous with its RPA. On the basis of Thomas et al, above, it is possible to demonstrate that the tree can remain viable, and on the basis that the tree will be rooting no less freely in the garden / lawn / border /pavement than within the proposed footprint, with the RPA encroachment compensated elsewhere on contiguous land. The guide also recommends (at 5.3.b) the arboriculturist propose a series of mitigation measures (to improve the soil environment that is used by the tree for growth). These are provided at 6.3 below.

# 6.2 Rating of Secondary Impacts

6.2.1 Whilst the canopy of T1 extends over the new garage, the garage will have multiple aspect windows, outside and away from the canopy, current and future. Some dappled shading will of course be preferable to direct sunlight for a study usage. Seasonal maintenance of windows and gutters will be relatively easy for a single storey structure, though preventative measures such as self-cleansing glass and filtration traps can be designed in to the finish to reduce the frequency of such routine operations. As such, secondary impacts are not considered significant in this case.

## 6.3 Mitigation of Impacts

- 6.3.1 All plant and vehicles engaged in demolition works should either operate outside the RPA, or should run on a temporary surface designed to protect the underlying soil structure. The demolition of the building should proceed inwards in a "pull down" fashion. Hard surfacing can be lifted with caution by a skilled machine operator again working away from the tree.
- 6.3.2 The path of foundations through the conventional RPA will be manually excavated to 750mm depth under arboricultural supervision; any roots encountered within the trenches / pits will be cleanly pruned back to an appropriate junction with a sharp pruning saw or secateurs back to a junction. Roots larger than 25mm diameter may only be cut in consultation with an arboriculturalist.
- 6.3.3 Nuisance deposition can be further mitigated with routine maintenance, light pruning / deadwooding and the fitting of filtration traps on guttering (see Figure 5 below).
- 6.3.4 The shading impacts can be mitigated by building design, with the provision of dual aspect windows and choice of room layout. Some minor crown reduction may be necessary, but not such as to impose a burden of frequent, repetitive management.

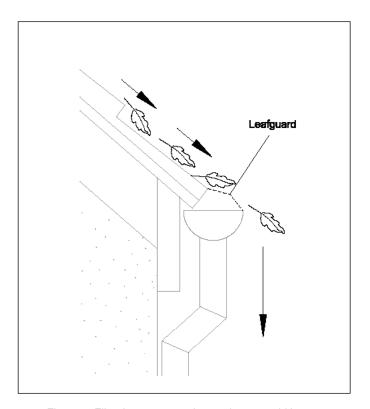


Figure 5: Filtration traps, as shown above, could be fitted on the gutters which can easily be maintained at 2-3m above ground.

## 7.0 CONCLUSION

- 7.1 The potential impacts of development are very low, there is no encroachment of the modified RPA of the only tree to form a planning constraint and no tree removal is necessary to facilitate the proposals.
- 7.2 The full potential of the impacts can be largely mitigated through design and precautionary measures. These measures can be elaborated in Method Statements in the discharge of planning conditions.
- 7.3 The species affected is generally tolerant of root disturbance / crown reduction and the retained tree is generally in good health and capable of sustaining these reduced impacts.
- 7.4 Therefore, the proposals will not have any significant impact on either the retained trees or wider landscape thereby complying with Policy 7.21 of the London Plan 2015 and Policies A3 and D1 of the Camden Local Plan (adopted 3rd July 2017). Thus, with suitable mitigation and supervision the scheme is recommended to planning.

#### 8.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

#### 8.1 Specific Recommendations

- 8.1.1 Tree works recommendations in Appendix 2 are not part of the current application, but requirements of general maintenance that will need to be applied for (subject to para. 3.3 of this report and any other relevant constraints in planning or leasehold) by the client separately. Consent for the current planning application does not impart any consent for the Appendix 2 maintenance works. Please note, though, the owner and / or manager of a property have a duty to maintain a safe site of work and to protect occupiers of the surrounding land / members of the public from tree hazards. Works recommended in this report should be enacted in a timely fashion by the relevant party regardless of the progress of the development.
- 8.1.2 Excavation and construction impacts within the RPA's of the tree identified in Table 1 above, will need to be controlled by method statements specifying mitigation methods suggested in para 6.3 above and by consultant supervision as necessary. These method statements can be provided as part of the discharge of conditions.

#### 8.2 General Recommendations for Sites Being Developed with Trees

- 8.2.1 Any trees which are in close proximity to the proposed development should be protected with a Tree Protection Barrier (TPB). Protective barrier fencing should be installed immediately following the completion of the tree works, remaining in situ for the entire duration of the development unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Council. It should be appropriate for the intensity and proximity of the development, usually comprising steel, mesh panels 2.4m in height ('Heras') and should be mounted on a scaffolding frame (shown in Fig 2 of BS5837:2012). The position of the TPB can be shown on plan as part of the discharge of conditions, once the layout is agreed with the planning authority. The TPB should be erected prior to commencement of works, remain in its original form on-site for the duration of works and be removed only upon full completion of works.
- 8.2.2 A TPB may no longer be required during soft landscaping work but a full arboricultural assessment must be performed prior to the undertaking of any excavations within the RPA of a tree. This will inform a decision about the requirement of protection measures. It is important that all TPBs have permanent, weatherproof notices denying access to the RPA.
- 8.2.3 The use of heavy plant machinery for building demolition, removal of imported materials and grading of surfaces should take place in one operation. The necessary machinery should be located above the existing grade level and work away from any retained trees. This will ensure that any spoil is removed from the RPAs. It is vital that the original soil level is not lowered as this is likely to cause damage to the shallow root systems.
- 8.2.4 Any pruning works must be in accordance with British Standard 3998:2010 Tree work [BS3998].
- 8.2.5 Where sections of hard surfacing are proposed in close proximity to trees, it is recommended that "No-Dig" surfacing be employed in accordance with BS5837:2012 and 'The Principles of Arboricultural Practice: Note 1, Driveways Close to Trees, AAIS 1996 [APN1]'.
- 8.2.6 If the RPA of a tree is encroached by underground service routes then BS5837:2012 and NJUG VOLUME 4 provisions should be employed. If it is deemed necessary, further arboricultural advice must be sought.
- 8.2.7 Numerous site activities are potentially damaging to trees e.g. parking, material storage, the use of plant machinery and all other sources of soil compaction. In operating plant, particular care is required to ensure that the operational arcs of excavation and lifting machinery, including their loads, do not physically damage trees when in use.

- 8.2.8 To enable the successful integration of the proposal with the retained trees, the following points will need to be taken into account:
  - 1) Plan of underground services.
  - Schedule of tree protection measures, including the management of harmful substances.
  - Method statements for constructional variations regarding tree proximity (e.g. foundations, surfacing and scaffolding).
  - 4) Site logistics plan to include storage, plant parking/stationing and materials handling.
  - 5) Tree works: felling, required pruning and new planting. All works must be carried out by a competent arborist in accordance with BS3998.
  - 6) Site supervision: the Site Agent must be nominated to be responsible for all arboricultural matters on site. This person must:
    - be present on site for the majority of the time;
    - be aware of the arboricultural responsibilities;
    - have the authority to stop work that is causing, or may cause harm to any tree;
    - ensure all site operatives are aware of their responsibilities to the trees on site and the consequences of a failure to observe these responsibilities;
    - make immediate contact with the local authority and/or a retained arboriculturalist in the event of any tree related problems occurring.
- 8.2.9 These points can be resolved and approved through consultation with the planning authority via their Arboricultural Officer.
- 8.2.10 The sequence of works should be as follows:
  - i) initial tree works: felling, stump grinding and pruning for working clearances;
  - ii) installation of TPB for demolition & construction;
  - iii) installation of underground services;
  - iv) installation of ground protection;
  - v) main construction;
  - vi) removal of TPB;
  - vii) soft landscaping.

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# **PART 2 - APPENDICES**

#### APPENDIX 1

#### TREE SCHEDULE

#### **Botanical Tree Names**

Maple, Norway : Acer platanoides

#### Notes for Guidance:

- 1. Height describes the approximate height of the tree measured in metres from ground level.
- 2. The Crown Spread refers to the crown radius in meters from the stem centre and is expressed as an average of NSEW aspect if symmetrical.
- 3. Ground Clearance is the height in metres of crown clearance above adjacent ground level.
- 4. Stem Diameter (Dm) is the diameter of the stem measured in millimetres at 1.5m from ground level for single stemmed trees. BS 5837:2012 formula (Section 4.6) used to calculate diameter of multi-stemmed trees. Stem Diameter may be estimated where access is restricted and denoted by '#'.
- 5. Protection Multiplier is 12 and is the number used to calculate the tree's protection radius and area
- 6. Protection Radius is a radial distance measured from the trunk centre.
- 7. Growth Vitality Normal growth, Moderate (below normal), Poor (sparse/weak), Dead (dead or dying tree).
- 8. Structural Condition Good (no or only minor defects), Fair (remediable defects), Poor Major defects present.
- Landscape Contribution High (prominent landscape feature), Medium (visible in landscape),
   Low (secluded/among other trees).
- 10. B.S. Cat refers to (British Standard 5837:2012 section 4.5) and refers to tree/group quality and value; 'A' High, 'B' Moderate, 'C' Low, 'U' Unsuitable for retention. The following colouring has been used on the site plans:
  - High Quality (A) (Green),
  - Moderate Quality (B) (Blue),
  - Low Quality (C) (Grey),
  - Unsuitable for Retention (U) (Red)
- 11. Sub Cat refers to the retention criteria values where 1 is Arboricultural, 2 is Landscape and 3 is Cultural including Conservational, Historic and Commemorative.
- 12. Useful Life is the tree's estimated remaining contribution in years.



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# Appendix 1

**BS5837 Tree Constraints Survey Schedule** 

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Tree No.	English Name	_		Ground Clearance	Stem Diamete	_			Structural Condition			Useful Life	Comments
1	Maple, Norway	11	2344	3.5	230	Semi- mature	2.8	Normal	Fair	С	2	20+	Long low lateral branches Small deadwood hung up in crown Unsuitable species for position next to boundary wall

#### **APPENDIX 2**

## RECOMMENDED TREE WORKS

## Notes for Guidance:

Husbandry 1 - Urgent (ASAP), 2 - Standard (within 6 months), 3 - Non-urgent (2-3 years)

CB - Cut Back to boundary/clear from structure.

CL# - Crown Lift to given height in meters.

CT#% - Crown Thinning by identified %.

CCL - Crown Clean (remove deadwood/crossing and hazardous branches and stubs)\*.

CR#% - Crown Reduce by given maximum % (of outermost branch & twig length)

DWD - Remove deadwood. Fell - Fell to ground level.

FInv - Further Investigation (generally with decay detection equipment).

Pol - Pollard or re-pollard.

Mon - Check / monitor progress of defect(s) at next consultant inspection which should be <18 months in frequented areas and <3 years in areas of more occasional use. Where clients retain their own ground staff, we recommend an annual in- house inspection and where

practical, in the aftermath of extreme weather events.

Svr Ivy / Clr Bs - Sever ivy / clear base and re-inspect base / stem for concealed defects.

<sup>\*</sup>Not generally specified following BS3998:2010



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# **Recommended Tree Works**

Appendix 2

Hide irrelevant
Show All Trees

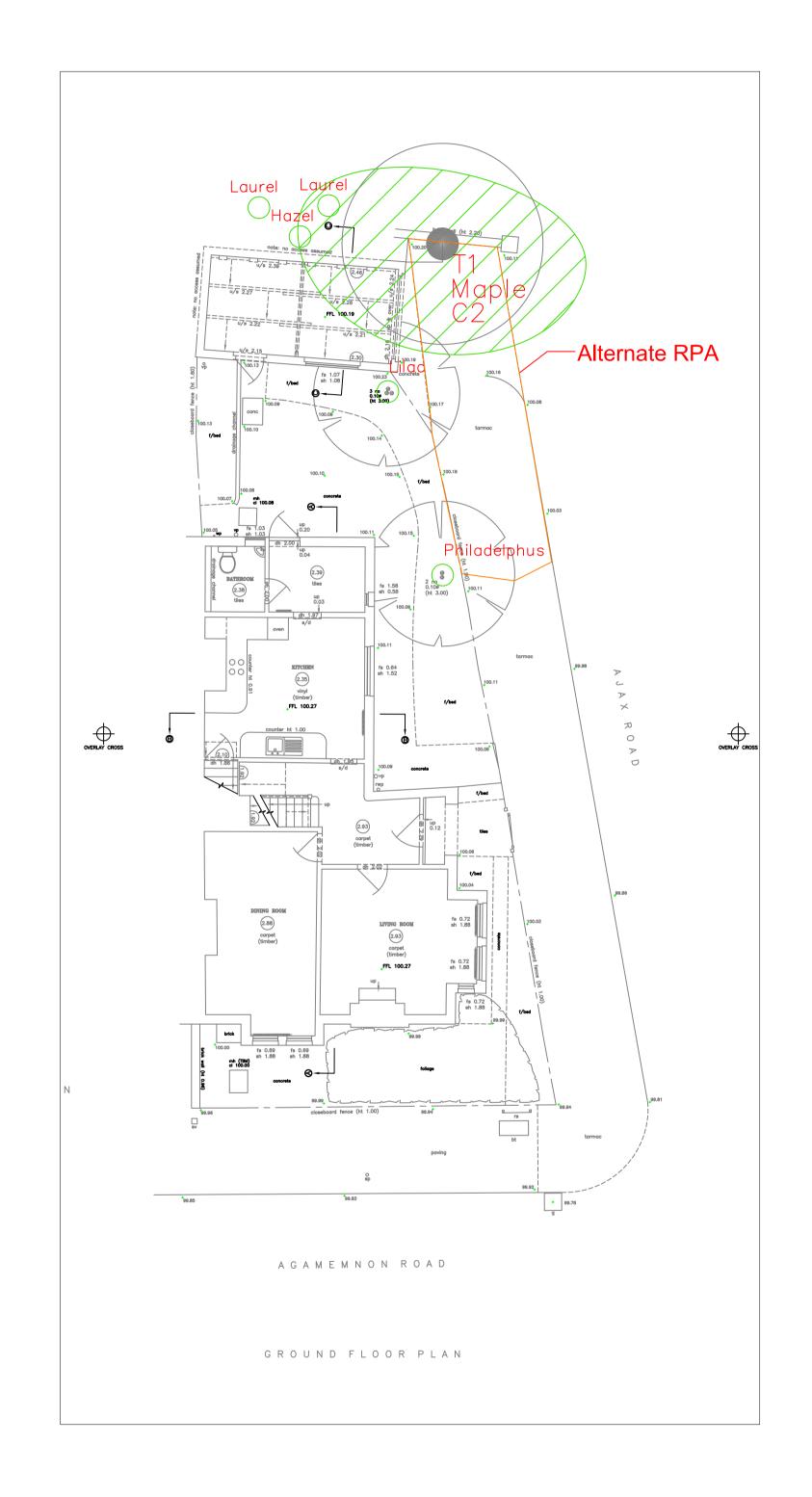
Tree No.	English Name	B.S. Cat	Height	Ground Clearance	Crown Spread	Recommended Works	Comments/ Reasons
1	Maple, Norway	С	11	3.5	2344	DWD	Long low lateral branches Small deadwood hung up in crown Unsuitable species for position next to boundary wall Recommended husbandry 3



# PART 3 - PLANS

PLAN 1

# TREE CONSTRAINTS PLAN





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Branch spread in metres is taken at the four cardinal points to derive an accurate representation of the crown.

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Drawing Title: Tree Constraints Plan

Category A
High Quality
Category B
Moderate Quality
Category C
Low Quality
Category U
Trees Unsuitable for Retention

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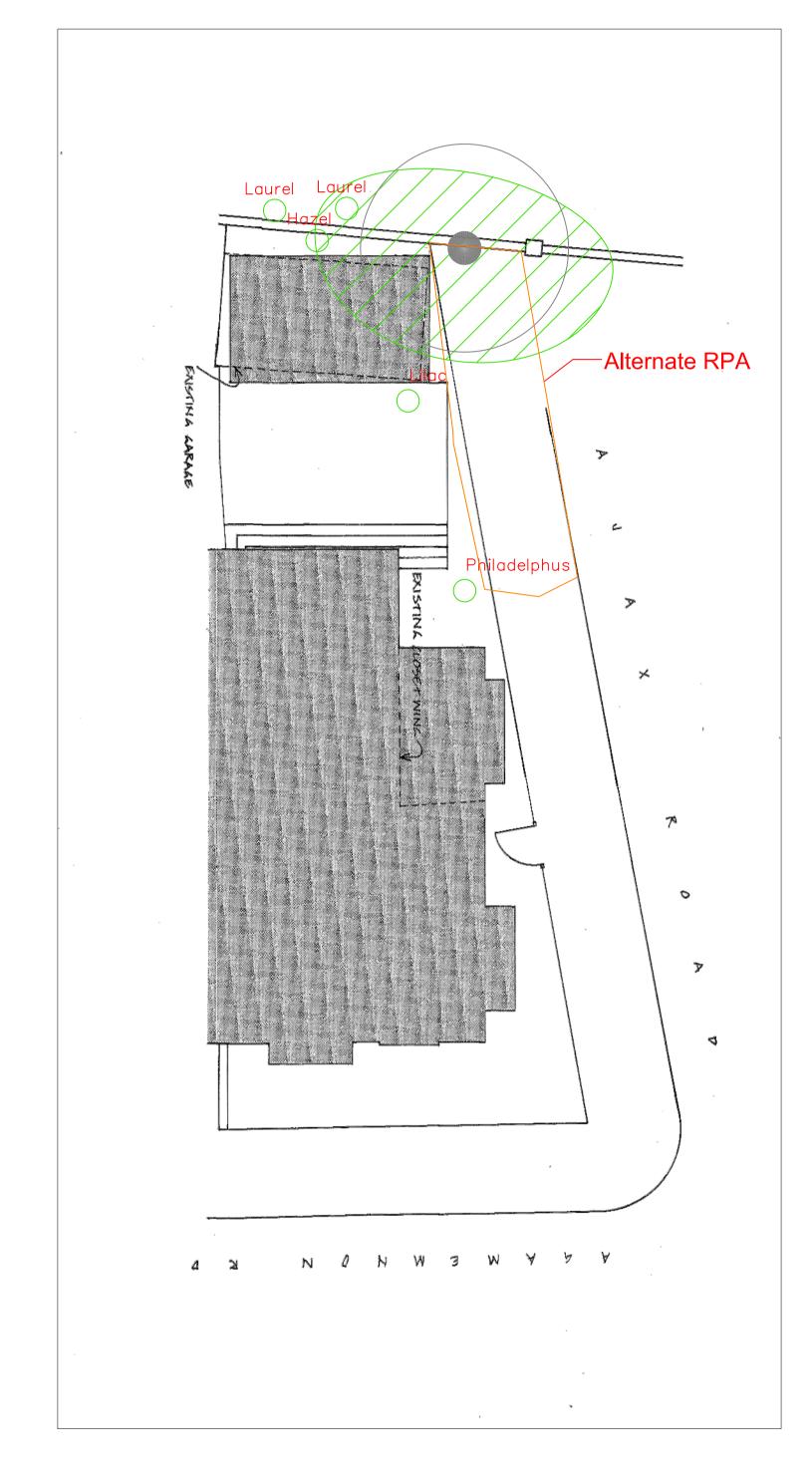
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Crown Spread

Frotection
Species
Category
Category
Tree Position Approximate
(not shown on original survey)



# ARBORICULTURAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PLAN (S)



Block Plan As Proposed



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- Category A
  High Quality
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  Moderate Quality
- Category C Low Quality Category U
  Trees Unsuitable for Retention



—— Tree Number

