METHOD STATEMENT

In relation to the planning application for a new railing and retaining wall to the front garden at 24 Hilltop road, London NW6 2PY [planning Ref. PP - 06407591] submitted on 23 September 2017, I hereby certify that there are two trees of medium size outside the property, on Hemstal Road, as per drawing submitted, and one small plant on the pavement of Hilltop road. The latter has just been re-planted by the council to replace a bigger tree that has been cut down a year ago. Therefore, it is unlikely that it will have significant roots that would extend into my property. The two trees on Hemstal road are in a brick planter at about 2-2.5 meter distance from the boundary of my front garden. To safeguard the trees, the excavation works to build foundations for the new retaining wall will be carried out by hand, very carefully, at a max depth of approximately 40 cm. If any significant root is found, the foundations will be adjusted by, for instance, inserting a lintel or similar, so as not to damage the roots of the trees.