

# Arboricultural Method Statement

## Vale of Health Play Area Improvements

This statement is to be used and read in conjunction with the associated Tree Protection Plan.

This will identify:

Trees to be retained. Protective fencing positions which identify the Construction Exclusion Zone, contractor parking and site storage areas.

### **1. Installation of temporary ground protection**

**1.1** No temporary ground protection required for this project.

### **2. Specialist Foundations**

**2.1** No specialist foundations being constructed on this site.

### **3. Ground level changes**

**3.1** There will be no ground level changes within the RPA's

### **4. Access details**

**4.1** Site access for delivery & construction vehicles is to be from East Heath Road.

### **5. Contractors Vehicle Parking and Storage site**

**5.1** All contractor vehicles will be outside of the Construction Exclusion Zones & located in the designated area shown in the TPP as black square.

### **6. Ground level changes**

**6.1** There will be no ground level changes within the RPA's

### **7. Barriers**

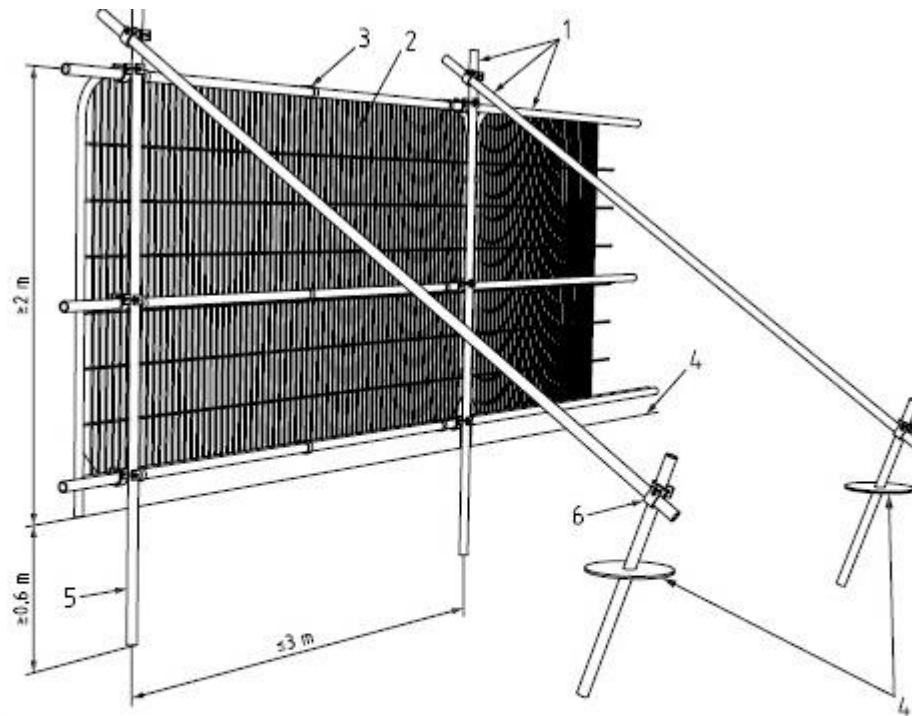
**7.1** All trees to the north of the improvement area to have protective fencing installed at the periphery of their appointed RPA's. The barriers will facilitate a construction exclusion zone and guard the trees root protection areas during the entire project period.

**7.2** No works (including soil stripping, storing materials or machinery) are to be permitted within the CEZ unless permitted by this method statement.

**7.3** Barrier fencing will be installed before the start of the construction and remain in place until the end of the development.

**7.4** Barriers will be constructed in accordance with BS 5837: 2012 and be fit for purpose of excluding construction activity and appropriate to the degree and proximity of work taking place around the retained tree(s). Barriers will be maintained to ensure that they remain rigid and complete. The location size of each CEZ (RPA's and tree Protection Fencing) is shown on the attached Tree Protection plan. Appropriate all weather signage attached to the fencing stating that the CEZ is a 'No Access' area.

The following diagram sets out an example of appropriate barrier fencing (BS 5837: 2012)



**Key**

- 1 Standard scaffold poles
- 2 Heavy gauge 2 m tall galvanized tube and welded mesh infill panels
- 3 Panels secured to uprights and cross-members with wire ties
- 4 Ground level
- 5 Uprights driven into the ground until secure (minimum depth 0.6 m)
- 6 Standard scaffold clamps

**8. Additional precautions outside of CEZ's**

**8.1** No mixing of materials to take place within or next to the CEZ's

**8.2** No lighting of fires will be permitted

**8.3** No cables or notice boards will be attached to any part of any retained tree.

**9. Site monitoring**

**9.1** Periodic (audited) site visits to assess impact of specific construction in and around the target trees will be supervised by Trees Management Officer at intervals determined by site assessments. (Enforcement of constraints and requirements is within the role of the Local Planning Office)

## 10. Responsibilities

**10.1** It will be the responsibility of the main contractor to monitor their own works with regards to the tree protection on top of the Tree Management Officers site audit/monitoring.

**10.2** Protective fences will remain in place until complete.

**10.3** The protective fencing and signs will be maintained in their original positions unless their repositioning is agreed to by the Trees Management Officer.

## 11. Contact details of all relevant parties

**11.1** Trees Management Officer – David Humphries 07775703017

**11.2** Site Supervisor – Danny Murphy 07740844374

