

Tree Protection Method Statement.

General

This method statement sets out the methodology for all the proposed works that affect trees on and adjacent to the site.

Compliance with this method statement will be required of all relevant contracts associated with the development proposals.

Copies of this document will be given to all associated with the development and will be available for inspection on site.

Protective Fencing

Protective fencing as show in diagrams below will be erected around the root protection areas of the existing trees or as close to this area as construction of the new work will allow. The local planning authority will be notified in writing once the fencing is in place.

The fencing will be constructed out of tubular scaffold framework and covered with mesh. The fencing will remain in place until completion of work and only with the consent of the local planning authority.

General Precautions

No materials that are likely to have an adverse effect on the tree health such as oil, bitumen or cement will be store or discharged within 10 meters of the trunk of a tree that is to be retained.

No storage or dumping of materials shall take place within the exclusion zones by the protective fencing

No fire will be lit within 20 meters of the trunk of any trees to be retained.

Excavation near Trees

Excavating near or in the root protection zone will be avoided whenever possible. Any excavation in the root protection zone will be carefully carried out, by hand and any tree roots encountered with a diameter of 25mm or more shall be left un-severed.

Arboriculture Works

If any trees require removal, they will be carefully removed from site.

Landscaping Within the Tree Root Protection Area.

Ground Levels are to be retained within these areas. The areas of existing hard surface are to be carefully removed and replaced with topsoil to existing levels. The drive and any other hard landscaping will be laid as detailed by any imposed condition, with no excavation of soil from this area. Hard surface will be placed on top of existing soil levels and be permeable to air and water.

Supervision & Monitoring

The Site Manager will supervise the proposed work and ensure the tree protection is retained throughout the construction stage.

