

# Arboricultural method statement

Land at Spinnaker View, Pagham  
PO213FL

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1 - Site plan. 2 - New site layout plan. 3 - Tree protection plan. 4 - Protective barriers. 5 - Site visit and arboricultural supervision record. 6 – Record of arboricultural monitoring. 7 - Geoweb tree root protection installation guide.

## SUMMARY

- 2 trees within 15m of a conditionally permitted development were identified;
- an arboricultural method statement and tree protection plan were prepared;
- the permitted development is for a new vehicular access entrance, relocated parking bays and pedestrian access associated with the redevelopment of the rear of Inglenook Hotel as 9 No. dwellings;
- precautionary measures will be required to protect the retained trees throughout the development process.

## Details

- Date of site visit - 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022
- Present at site visit - Jonathan Rodwell Cert Arb L4(ABC); TechArborA
- Date of report - 30<sup>th</sup> March 2022

## Contact details

|                                   |                             |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <u>Local Planning Authority</u>   | Arun District Council       |
| <u>Planning Consultants</u>       | Whaleback Planning & Design |
| <u>Arboricultural Consultants</u> | Beechdown Arboriculture Ltd |

## References

**Roberts, J. Jackson, N. Smith, M.** (2006). *Tree Roots in the Built Environment*. The Stationery Office  
**BSI British Standards** (2012) BS 5837:2012 *Trees in relation to demolition and construction – Recommendations, Fourth (Present) Edition*. BSI

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30<sup>th</sup> March 2022

## 1.0 Introduction

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1.1 I have received instruction from Jonathan Puplett MRTPI, associate at Whaleback Planning & Design, to provide arboricultural consultancy with regard to conditionally permitted development at land at Spinnaker View, Pagham PO21 3FL.

1.2 The purpose of the instruction was to:

- ❖ Prepare an arboricultural method statement & tree protection plan to discharge conditions at schedule 3 of the decision notice (Application Ref: P/165/21/PL).

1.3 **Schedule 3** states that *"No development including access, demolition or associated construction activities shall commence unless and until the developer/applicant has secured approval in writing from the Local Planning Authority for an Arboricultural Method Statement and a Tree Protection Plan to both describe and illustrate the mitigation measures which are to be employed to ensure that the TPO Poplar Tree to the south of the site survives without detriment to its vigour and vitality and is given adequate protection both above and below ground."*

1.4 This arboricultural method statement informs on tree protection measures at the site and in the absence of an existing up-to-date tree survey was prepared with reference to:

- ❖ the documents and plans provided;
- ❖ the guidelines detailed in BS 5837:2012 "Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction – Recommendations";
- ❖ details recorded at my site visit and according to good arboricultural practice.

1.5 Contents of the report are exclusively for the use of the client; liability does not extend to any third party without our written consent.

## 2.0 Documents Provided

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2.1 Drawings provided by Bright Plan Transport, Planning and Civil Engineering Consultants.

|                 |             |          |
|-----------------|-------------|----------|
| 2020-6289-000 E | Site layout | 1:250@A3 |
|-----------------|-------------|----------|

## 2.2 Public documents viewed online.

|             |                                |                                                                                                                       |
|-------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| P/125/14/PL | Planning application documents | <a href="https://www.arun.gov.uk/planning-application-search">https://www.arun.gov.uk/planning-application-search</a> |
|-------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

## 3.0 Statutory Controls

- 3.1 Consultation with the Local Planning Authority confirmed the application site is not within a designated Conservation Area but that the poplars recorded on land at Spinnaker View are subject to Tree Preservation Order No. **TPO/P/2/15**.

## 4.0 Permitted Development

- 4.1 New vehicular access entrance, relocated parking bays, and pedestrian access associated with the redevelopment of the rear of Inglenook Hotel as 9 No. dwellings.

## 5.0 Tree Details

- 5.1 Trees recorded were those within influence of the permitted works. Relevant estimated tree details are noted below and they are shown marked on the 1:400 @A3 site plan at Appendix 1.

| Tree No. | Species | Height | Stem Ø at 1.5m          | BS Category |
|----------|---------|--------|-------------------------|-------------|
| T1       | Poplar  | 25m    | 1000mm                  | §           |
| T2       | Poplar  | 25m    | 650mm<br>550mm<br>550mm | §           |

- 5.2 Trees too small to be recorded but affected by the permitted work included a newly-planted rowan and two willows along with newly-planted rows of conservation mix hedging on the boundary between Spinnaker View and the land to the rear of Inglenook Hotel.

## 6.0 Below Ground Constraints – Root Protection Area (RPA)

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- 6.1 To establish the level of protection needed I have calculated the root protection area (RPA) of the recorded trees using the information gathered at my site visit and with reference to section 4.6.1 of BS 5837:2012. This indicates the RPA in m<sup>2</sup> and the minimum required all round radial distances for rooting zone protection. The extent of the nominal RPA is indicated on 1:400 @A3 site plan at Appendix 1.

## 7.0 Comment

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- 7.1 The 1:200@A3 new site layout plan (Appendix 2) shows that the vehicle access from Spinnaker View into the development of 9 dwellings to the rear of Inglenook hotel will require the removal of the three existing parking spaces to the west of 22 Spinnaker View. Three new linear car parking spaces, on the boundary opposite the cul-de-sac to the east of 24 Spinnaker View, will replace those removed. A new pedestrian access crosses the boundary between the two developments opposite number 24.
- 7.2 The new vehicle and pedestrian access points are both located beyond the RPA of the poplar (T1) but will require the removal of short sections of newly planted conservation mix hedging.
- 7.3 The new parking spaces on the boundary between the developments will impact on a short unsurfaced section of the RPA of the poplar (T1).
- 7.4 The original arboricultural method statement for the site layout at Spinnaker View – available at <https://www.arun.gov.uk/planning-application-search> - recommended installation of no-dig construction surfacing for the new road where it impacted on the RPA of the poplar (T1). The slightly raised brick paviour surface between the low ramp **A** – where the tarmac surface at the eastern extent of T1's RPA finishes - and the low ramp **B** indicates that the arboricultural recommendations have been adopted. Use of appropriate no-dig surfacing for the replacement parking spaces will minimise the risk of damage to the roots and rooting environment.
- 7.5 The lowest branches of the poplar (T1) are clear of the road at Spinnaker View so there is little risk that works to create the new access and parking spaces will have an impact on the above ground parts of the tree.

## ARBORICULTURAL METHOD STATEMENT

- The arboricultural method statement includes the following plans.

|            |          |                                                                                                |
|------------|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Appendix 3 | 1:200@A3 | Tree protection plan showing position of protective barriers and construction exclusion zones. |
|------------|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

### 8.0 Protective Barriers and Construction Exclusion Zone.

- 8.1 Prior to construction and before any machinery or materials are brought onto the site, protective barriers, marked as a blue broken line on the tree protection plans (Appendix 3), must be erected, around the vulnerable Root Protection Area (RPA) to create a construction exclusion zone beyond the working area.
- 8.2 The construction exclusion zone, shown as light purple horizontal hatching on the tree protection plan, will be afforded protection at all times during the development process; strictly no access, construction activities, mixing materials or storage will be allowed.
- 8.3 The barriers will have weather proof signs attached stating that it is protecting a **construction exclusion zone** and that **no works are permitted** beyond the barrier; the protective barrier should remain in place for the duration of the development process.
- 8.4 The protective barriers should be positioned in accordance with the tree protection plan and would typically be constructed as per figure 2 of BS 5837:2012 (shown at Appendix 4) and consist of a vertical and horizontal scaffold framework, well braced to resist impacts with vertical tubes spaced at a maximum interval of 3m and driven securely into the ground and onto which weld mesh panels would be fixed with wire or scaffold clamps. Care should be taken when locating the vertical and bracing poles to avoid roots; if the presence of roots or hard surfaces precludes the use of driven poles, above ground stabilising using struts mounted on a block tray, constructed as per figure 3 b) of BS 5837:2012 may be used.

### 9.0 Ground protection

- 9.1 The existing no-dig construction surface over the RPA of T1 will provide an appropriate working surface for construction of the new parking spaces from the Spinnaker View side.

- 9.2 Temporary ground protection, shown as orange acute hatching on the tree protection plan, should be positioned to protect the vulnerable RPA between the new parking spaces and the new vehicle access before site work commences. The type of ground protection will reflect the level of site activity and should comprise scaffold planks on a compressible layer of 100mm depth of woodchips over a geotextile membrane for pedestrian access or proprietary heavy-duty access mats, i.e. Euro Trak for vehicles and plant. The existing boundary fence between the two developments will be retained so all work within the ground protected RPA will be from the Spinnaker View side.

## 10.0 Permanent Hard-Surfacing Within the RPA

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- 10.1 Construction of the three parking spaces and section of new vehicle access impacting on the RPA should utilise a no-dig specification – linking with the existing brick paviour surface at Spinnaker View - with a porous and permeable base layer and surface finish. Appendix 7 provides a detailed installation guide for the Geoweb® tree root protection no-dig Three-Dimensional Cellular Confinement System as summarised below:

- ✦ Existing surface vegetation to be removed by hand or treated with herbicide as agreed with Local Planning Authority (LPA).
- ✦ Create a level subgrade by filling any hollows with permeable material, i.e. clean stone or sharp sand rather than removing or grading humps that may contain roots.
- ✦ To help prevent pollution contamination of the RPA a non-woven geotextile should be laid on the level subgrade.
- ✦ The new parking spaces will be formed from Geoweb panels (6.6m x 2.6m) placed on the geotextile and joined end to end and side to side.
- ✦ The Geoweb panels will be filled with porous, no-fines 4-20mm clean angular stone and using the already filled panels as the working platform.
- ✦ Pinned sleepers, gabions or non-invasive haunch kerbing may provide suitable edging.
- ✦ The finished surface must be permeable to moisture penetration and agreed with the LPA.

## 11.0 Additional Precautions

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- 11.1 No storage or mixing of materials to take place within the construction exclusion zone or in the ground protected RPA.
- 11.2 No storage or mixing of materials will take place in any location where they may leak into the construction exclusion zone or RPA.

- 11.3 Materials which may contaminate the soil will not be discharged within 10m of the tree stems or mixed in any location where gradients allow contaminants to run towards RPAs.

## 12.0 Supervision and Monitoring

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- 12.1 It will be the responsibility of the main contractor to ensure that any conditions attached to the planning consent are adhered to at all times and that a monitoring regime with regard to tree protection on site is adopted.
- 12.2 An arboriculturalist should be appointed to monitor tree protection measures and address any arboricultural issues that may arise.
- 12.3 The project arboriculturalist should mark the positions of the protective barriers and inspect them once erected and prior to site work commencing.
- 12.4 In addition to any scheduled supervision, regular site visits to inspect the protective barriers may be required. Frequency of the visits is dependent on the progress of the development but should take place every two to four weeks of continuous site activity.
- 12.5 A copy of a site visit and arboricultural supervision record is shown at Appendix 5.
- 12.6 A copy of an arboricultural monitoring record is shown at Appendix 6.
- 12.7 The main contractor will be responsible for ensuring subcontractors comply with the arboricultural method statement and do not undertake any operation that is likely to impact adversely upon any tree on site.
- 12.8 The main contractor will ensure that the build sequence is appropriate to ensure that no damage occurs to the trees during the development process.

## 13.0 Sequence of Events

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- 13.1 Sequence of tree protection measures in relation to phases of development.

|                            |                                                                                                                                    |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <u>Site meeting</u>        | Project arboriculturalist to discuss tree protection measures with architect/developer and local authority arboricultural officer. |
| <u>Protective barriers</u> | Installation of protective barriers prior to construction.                                                                         |

|                            |                                                                                |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <u>Monitoring</u>          | Arboricultural monitoring every two to four weeks of continuous site activity. |
| <u>Protective barriers</u> | Removal of protective barriers on completion of development proposal.          |

- 13.2 Should circumstances arise where unscheduled work may impact upon trees or tree protection the work should cease until the project arboriculturalist has been consulted and the local planning authority arboricultural officer informed.

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**Spinnaker View**  
**Appendix 1 - site plan**

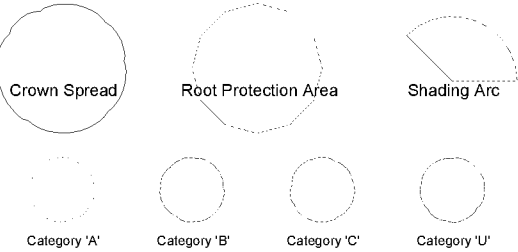
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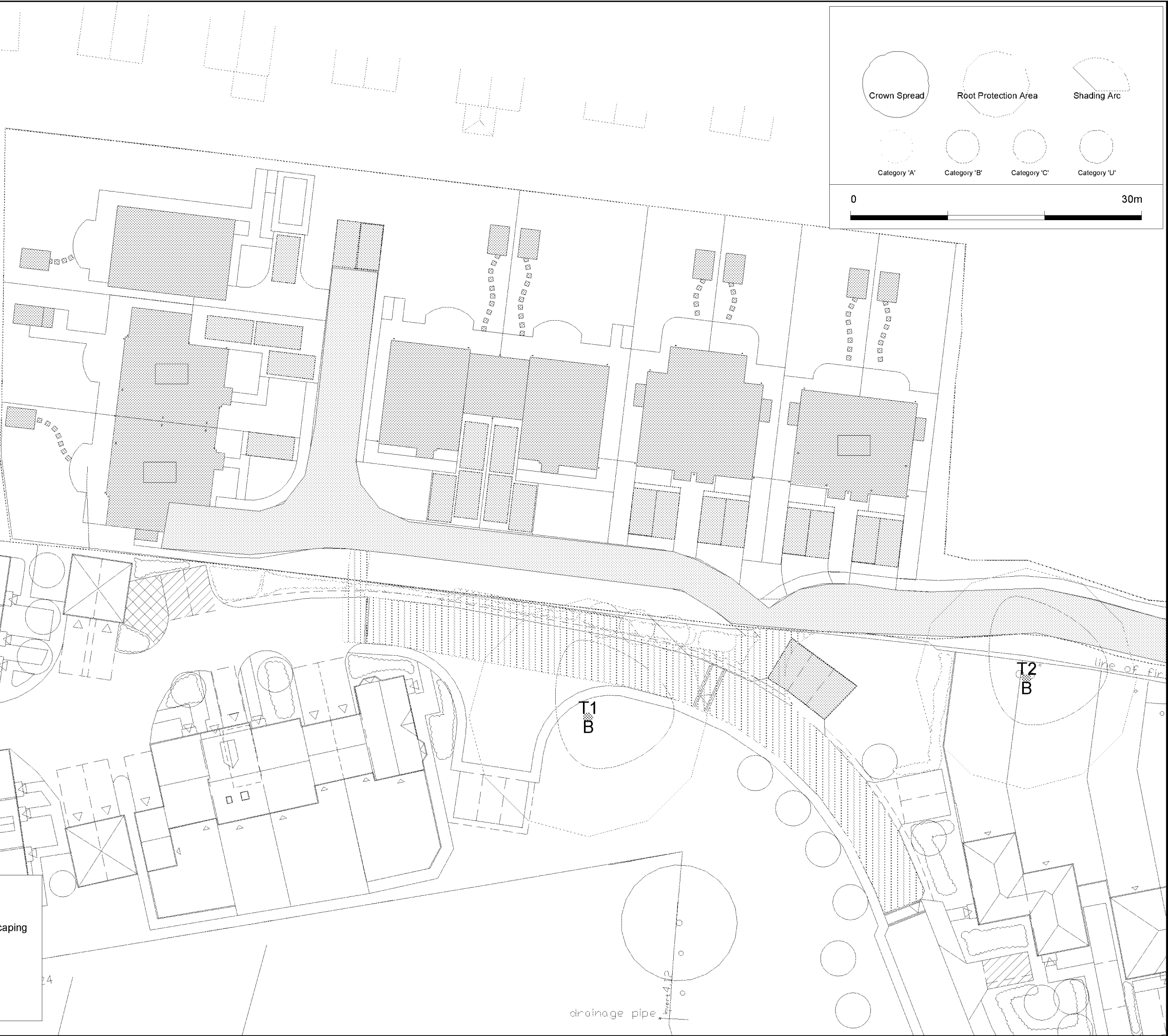
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**Key:**

- |                        |                           |
|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Parking spaces         | Site layout & landscaping |
| New dwellings          | Road                      |
| Conservation mix hedge | Proposed works            |
| Site boundary          | New tree planting         |



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**Spinnaker View**  
**Appendix 2 - new site layout plan**

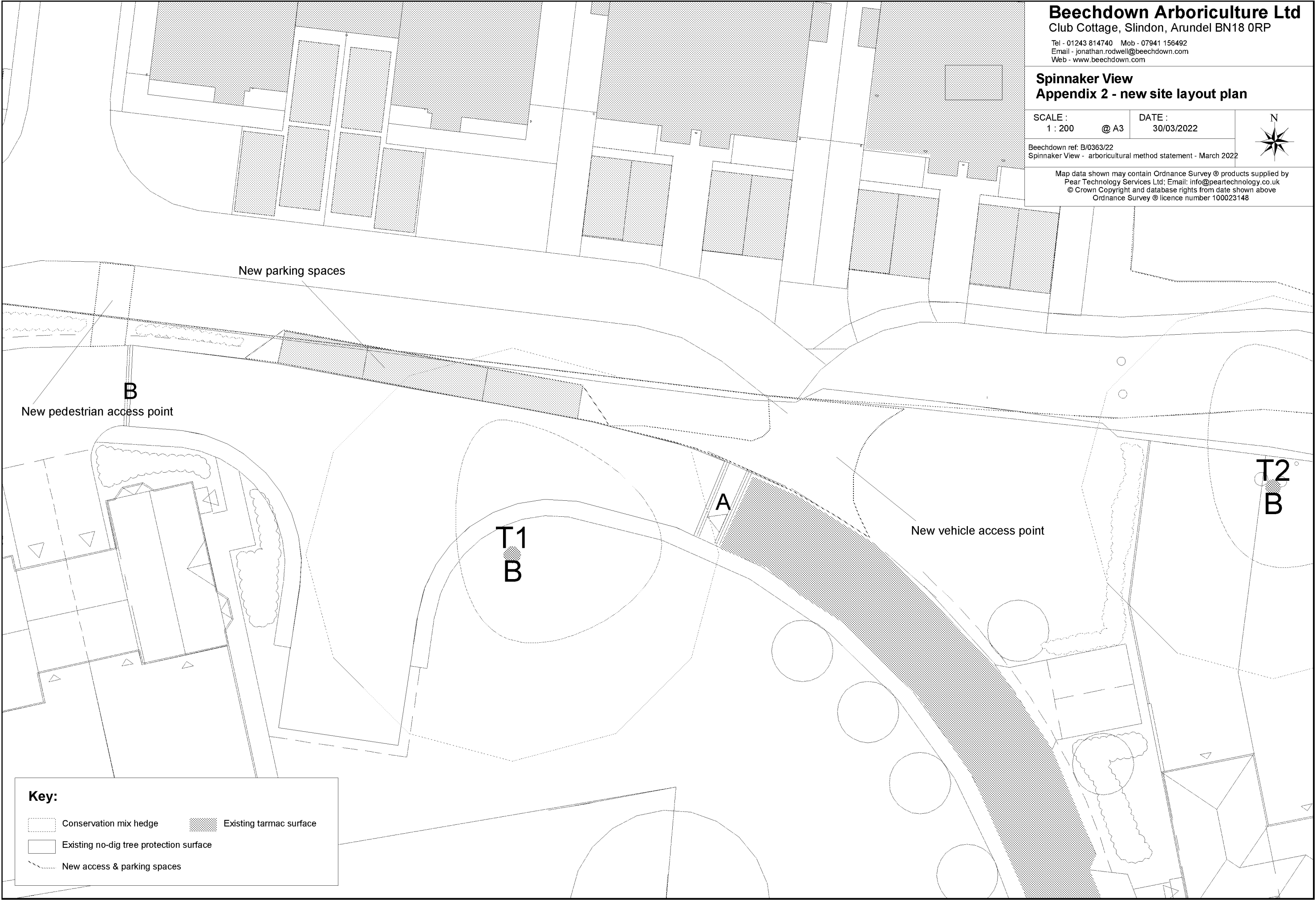
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**Key:**

- Conservation mix hedge
- Existing no-dig tree protection surface
- Existing tarmac surface
- New access & parking spaces

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**Spinnaker View**  
**Appendix 3 - tree protection plan**

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Parking space construction must use the  
no-dig specification detailed at section 10 of  
the arboricultural method statement.

Construction exclusion zone - no access,  
storage, mixing materials or  
construction activity permitted.

T2  
B

T1  
B

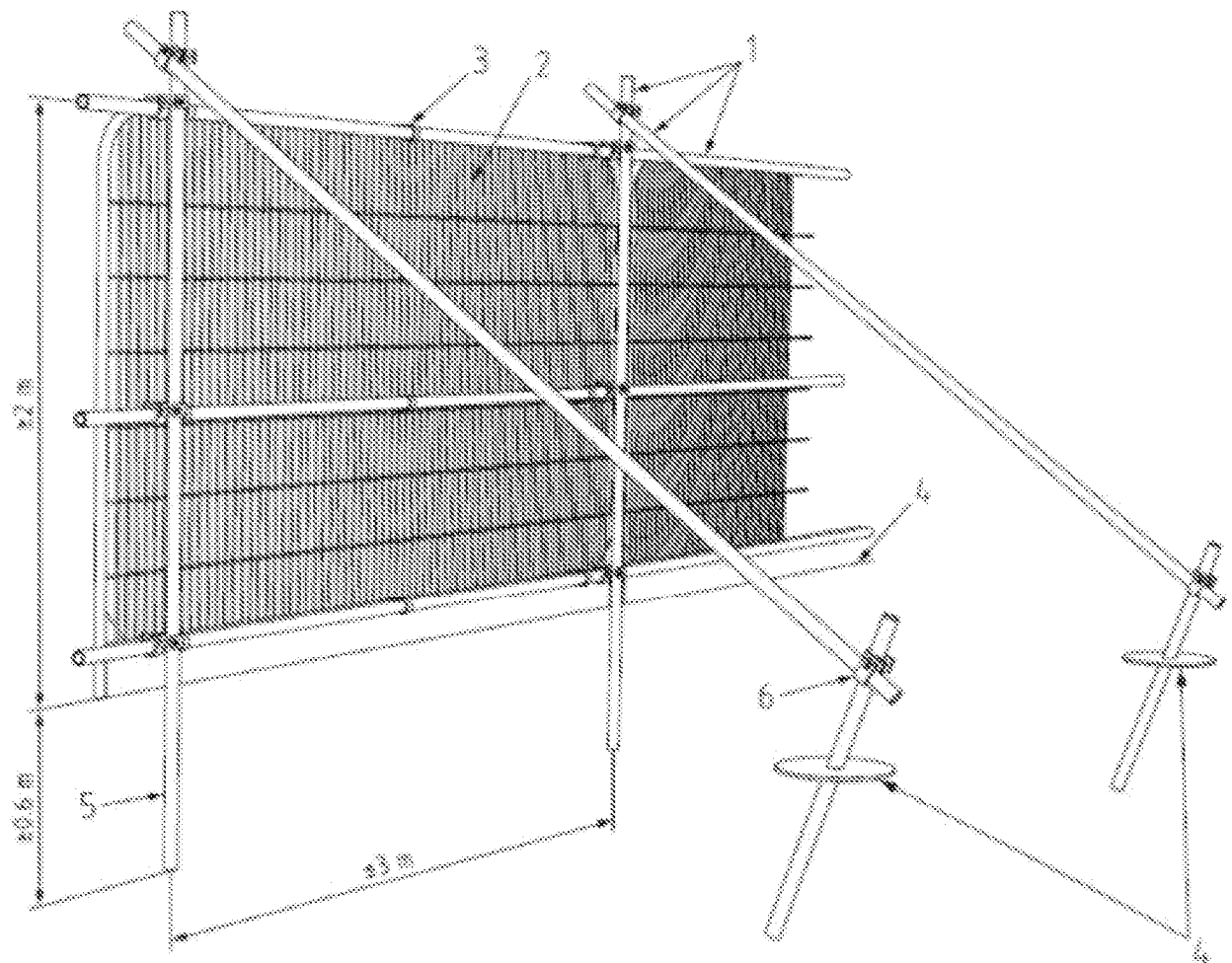
Construction exclusion zone - no access,  
storage, mixing materials or  
construction activity permitted.

Location of protective barrier- light blue  
broken line - constructed as per appendix 4  
- positioned to protect RPA and form  
construction exclusion zone.

**Key:**

- |                                         |                             |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Conservation mix hedge                  | Existing tarmac surface     |
| Existing no-dig tree protection surface | New surfacing within RPA    |
| Ground protection                       | Construction exclusion zone |
| New access & parking spaces             | Protective barriers         |

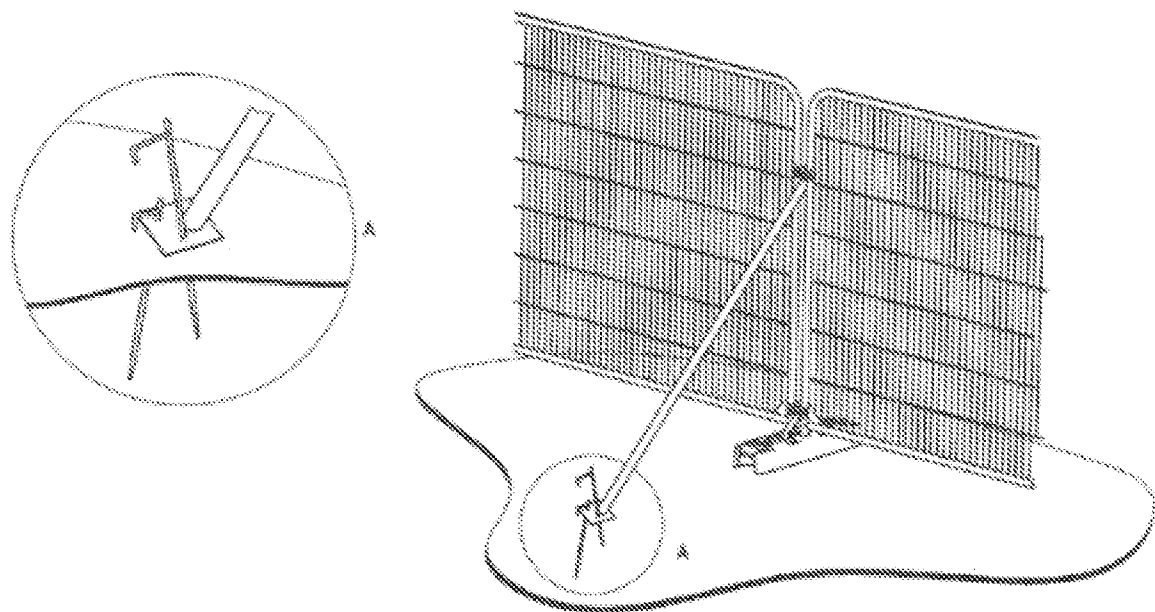
## Appendix 4 – Protective Barrier



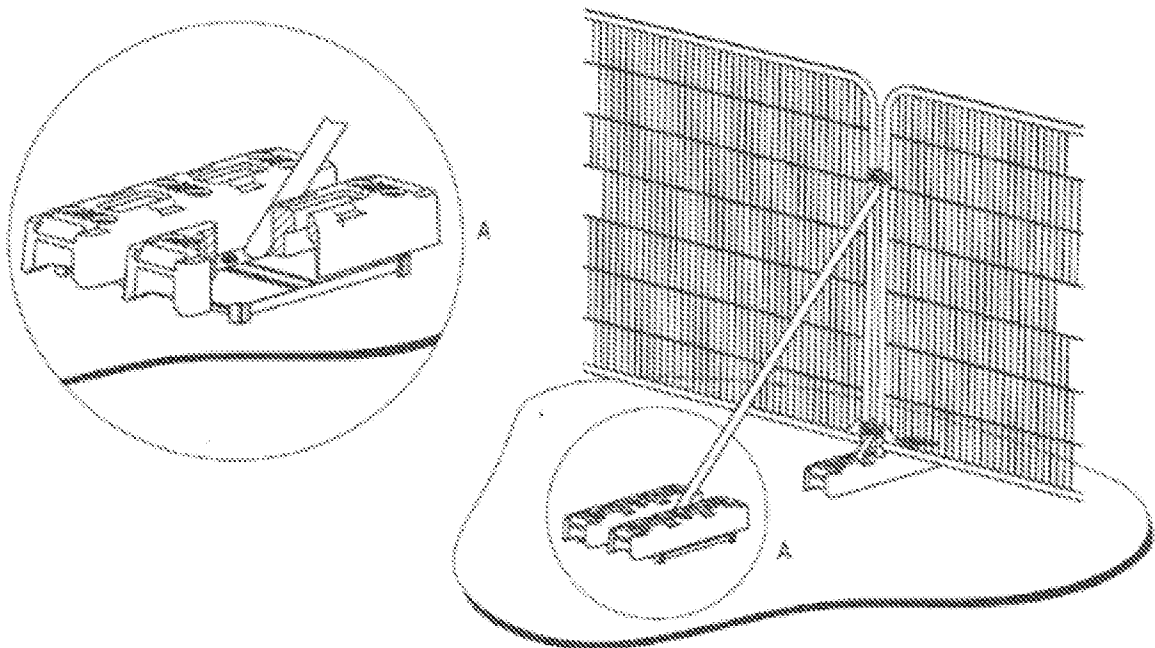
### Key

- 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

**Default specification for protective barrier as per Figure 2 of BS 5837:2012 *Trees in relation to demolition and construction – Recommendations, Fourth (Present) Edition*. BSI**



a) Stabilizer strut with base plate secured with ground pins



b) Stabilizer strut mounted on block tray

**Examples of above-ground stabilising systems as per Figure 3 of BS 5837:2012 *Trees in relation to demolition and construction – Recommendations, Fourth (Present) Edition*. BSI**

## Appendix 5 – Record of Site Visits and Arboricultural Supervision

|                          |                                                                                                                                                                   |  |          |                                          |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|----------|------------------------------------------|
| Client                   | Whaleback Planning & Design                                                                                                                                       |  | Location | Land at Spinnaker View, Pagham PO21 3FL. |
| Local planning authority | Arun District Council                                                                                                                                             |  |          |                                          |
| Planning application     | P/165/21/PL                                                                                                                                                       |  |          |                                          |
| Development              | New vehicular access entrance, relocated parking bays, and pedestrian access associated with the redevelopment of the rear of Inglenook Hotel as 9 No. dwellings. |  |          |                                          |

|                         |                                                                          |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Stage of development    | Action required                                                          |
| <u>Pre-construction</u> | Mark position of protective barrier forming construction exclusion zone. |

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| Notes |  |
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|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| Arboriculturalist |  |
| Signed            |  |
| Date              |  |

**NOTE - COPY OF COMPLETED FORM TO BE SCANNED AND SENT TO LPA ARBORICULTURAL OFFICER**

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## Appendix 5 – Record of Site Visits and Arboricultural Supervision

|                          |                                                                                                                                                                   |  |          |                                          |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|----------|------------------------------------------|
| Client                   | Whaleback Planning & Design                                                                                                                                       |  | Location | Land at Spinnaker View, Pagham PO21 3FL. |
| Local planning authority | Arun District Council                                                                                                                                             |  |          |                                          |
| Planning application     | P/165/21/PL                                                                                                                                                       |  |          |                                          |
| Development              | New vehicular access entrance, relocated parking bays, and pedestrian access associated with the redevelopment of the rear of Inglenook Hotel as 9 No. dwellings. |  |          |                                          |

| Stage of development    | Action required                                                             |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <u>Pre-construction</u> | Inspect position of protective barrier forming construction exclusion zone. |

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## Appendix 6 – Arboricultural Monitoring Form

|                          |                                                                                                                                                                   |  |          |                                          |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|----------|------------------------------------------|
| Client                   | Whaleback Planning & Design                                                                                                                                       |  | Location | Land at Spinnaker View, Pagham PO21 3FL. |
| Local planning authority | Arun District Council                                                                                                                                             |  |          |                                          |
| Planning application     | P/165/21/PL                                                                                                                                                       |  |          |                                          |
| Development              | New vehicular access entrance, relocated parking bays, and pedestrian access associated with the redevelopment of the rear of Inglenook Hotel as 9 No. dwellings. |  |          |                                          |

| Area inspected                      | Comments | Action required |
|-------------------------------------|----------|-----------------|
| <u>Protective barriers</u>          |          |                 |
| <u>Construction exclusion zone</u>  |          |                 |
| <u>Site storage/material mixing</u> |          |                 |
| <u>Other</u>                        |          |                 |
| <u>Additional Comments</u>          |          |                 |

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|-------------------|--|
| Arboriculturalist |  |
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## Installation Recommendation

**1. Preparation of the subgrade ready for Geoweb tree root protection no dig solution. Whilst inside the tree rooting area, all actions must ensure no detrimental effect on the ground condition. The tree rooting area is the surface which is being protected**

- Removal of surface vegetation using prior agreed methods with local authority. No methods of removal which will cause compaction to the subgrade can be used. This includes the use of plant, vehicles and machinery. Examples of appropriate methods include hand tools or herbicide
- When creating a level subgrade, do not grade off humps or level off through compaction, as these may contain tree roots. Rather infill hollows with a permeable material such as clean stone or sharp sand to create a level surface.
- All external debris, such as rocks and waste, should be removed
- When an existing hard surface is scheduled for removal, care should be taken not to disturb tree roots that may be present beneath. Hand held tools or appropriate machinery should be used to remove the existing surface, working backwards over the area so not trafficking the exposed area

**2. TRP4000 Non-woven Geotextile**

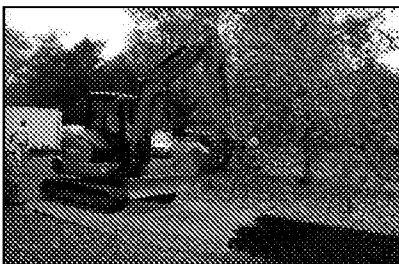
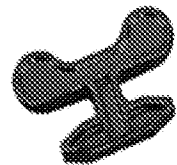
- Lay out the TRP4000 over the prepared area, overlapping joins by a minimum of 300mm, dependent on soil conditions
- When overlapping the TRP4000, ensure the overlap is in the same direction as the Geoweb will be extended. This will ensure the geotextile does not pull up when extending the Geoweb
- If a site specific solution has been provided by Greenfix which includes a sub-base, this will require installation through non compaction methods

**3. Installation of the Geoweb panels**

- Lay out the collapsed Geoweb on the TRP4000 and secure at one end in the middle of the width.
- Extend the panel to 6.6m length, and secure its length at the other end
- Extend the width of the Geoweb to 2.6m wide, and secure each corner
- Ensure the panel is secured at 6.6m x 2.6m, as this will achieve the 259mm by 224mm cell diameter required.

**4. Connection of the panels to create one single mattress**

- All panels must be adjoined to one another both side by side and end to end
- Simply connect the Geoweb with the supplied ATRA® keys, through the aligned slots



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## Geoweb Tree Root Protection Installation Guide

### 1. Infill of the Geoweb for tree root application

- Compacted, non-porous material, such as M.O.T. Type 1 / crushed stone with fines should not be used for tree root protection
- Infill Geoweb panel with 4-20mm clean angular stone, ensuring Geoweb is not visible and is overfilled by a minimum 25mm. Plant and tracked vehicles should not drive on exposed Geoweb as this will lead to tearing and damage.
- Infill towards the tree, using the filled Geoweb cells as the working platform
- For a stone specification sheet please contact Greenfix Ltd go to [www.greenfix.co.uk](http://www.greenfix.co.uk)

### 2. Compaction of the infilled material

- Compaction of the Geoweb system is not required on generic site conditions, as the infill will secure its own level when trafficked over a short time
- If on poor / site specific conditions, complete 4 passes of a non-vibrating, smooth wheeled roller over the 25mm overfill. Refill and roller as necessary to ensure a 25mm surcharge remains

### 3. Edging options

- Where edging is required for light structures, such as footpaths, above ground peg and treated timber edging may be acceptable. Where areas of hard surface require edge support, the use of pinned sleepers, gabions or non-invasive haunch kerbing can provide appropriate solutions.
- For recommendations and details (CAD or PDF), please contact Greenfix for assistance

### 4. Surface options available

- Geoweb acts as a sub-base to all available surfaces on the market, including asphalt, block-paving, resin bound, grass vegetation or gravel etc.
- For tree rooting areas, the surface must be porous unless approved otherwise by local authority.
- For details of surface options please contact Greenfix for assistance

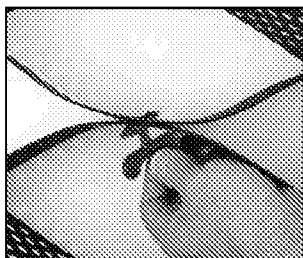
### Additional Greenfix services available

For an on-site installation visit on the day of installation on any purchase of Geoweb TRP, please contact Greenfix for recommendations and support.

Site specific calculations and technical recommendations are also available via Greenfix.

Greenfix can offer an on-site visit to recommend correct installation to the calculated recommendation if it has been complete via Greenfix

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