

General Notes:

This drawing is to be read in-conjunction with all other relevant drawings and specifications.

Should any discrepancies between the details/dimensions indicated on this and/or any other relevant drawings Designspace Architecture Ltd must be notified immediately.

TREE PROTECTION MEASURES -

As a general rule at this site, measures to protect trees should follow the best practice principles set out in BS5837: Trees in Relation to Design, Development and Construction (2012). The RPA's of individual trees to be retained should be marked out by a person with arboricultural or horticultural expertise as individual trees will have root zones that may be affected by local conditions and allowances will need to be made to accommodate this.

The best practice principles have been summarised below.

- All trees retained adjacent to the site should be protected by barriers or ground protection around the calculated Root Protection Area (RPA).
- Any fencing required should be erected prior to commencement of construction and before demolition
 including erection of any temporary structures. Once set up fences should not be removed or altered without
 prior consultation with the arboricultural advisor.
- Arrangements should be made for an arboriculturalist to supervise works and tree protection where trees are particularly vulnerable or sited close to access points.
- All tree works should follow best practice procedures as set out in BS 3998 (2010). All trees should be maintained in good condition on site and be inspected annually (where overall condition requires) or every 2 years and after any major storm events, with safety a priority.
- Fencing should be clearly visible and suitable for the location, type and proximity of construction activity.
- It may be appropriate on some sites to use temporary site offices as components of the protection barriers.
- Where it has been agreed and shown on a Tree Protection Plan, construction access may take place within
 the RPA if suitable ground protection measures are in place (e.g. existing surfaced car park areas). In other
 areas this may comprise single scaffold boards over a compressible layer laid onto geo-textile materials for
 pedestrian movements. Vehicular movements over the RPA will require the calculation of expected loading
 and may require the use of proprietary protection systems.
- Once areas around trees have been protected by fencing, any works on the remaining site area may be commenced providing activities do not impinge on protected areas. Notices should be placed on fencing to indicate that operations are not permitted within the fenced area.
- Wide or tall loads etc. should not come into contact with retained trees. Banksman should supervise transit of vehicles, jibs, booms etc. where this is in close proximity to retained trees.
- Oil, bitumen, cement or other material that is potentially injurious to trees should not be stacked or discharged within 10m of a tree bole. No concrete mixing should be done within 10m of a tree. Allowance should be made for the slope of ground to prevent materials running towards the tree.
- Notice boards, telephone cables or other services should not be attached to any part of a retained tree.
- Where it is deemed necessary to operate a wide or tall load, plant bearing booms, jibs and counterweights
 or other such equipment, as part of construction works, and such equipment would have potential to cause
 injurious contact with crown material i.e. low branches and limbs, of retained trees within the RPA fencing, it
 is best advised that appropriate, but limited tree surgery, be carried out beforehand to remove any obvious
 problem branches. This is classed as 'Facilitation Pruning' within BS 5837 (2012). Any such pruning should
 be undertaken in accordance with a specification prepared by an arboriculturalist.
- It is advised that a Pre-Commencement Site Meeting is held with contractors who are
 responsible for operating machinery, as described above. To firstly highlight the potential for damage
 occurring to tree crowns and to ensure that extra care is applied when manoeuvring machinery during such
 operations within close proximity to retained trees to avoid any contact.
- In the event of having caused any such branch or limb damage to retained trees it is strongly recommended that suitable tree surgery be carried out, in accordance with BS 3998 (2010) Recommendations for Tree Work, to correct the damage, upon completion of development.

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