## Arboricultural Impact Assessment

in Relation to Proposed Construction of Rear Extension, Detached Garage and Driveway at



### Higherfield, Osbaldeston Lane, Osbaldeston, Lancashire, BB2 7LY



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#### ARBORICULTURAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT HIGHERFIELD, OSBALDESTON

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**Survey Limitations:** Unless otherwise stated all trees are surveyed from ground level using noninvasive techniques, in sufficient detail to gather data for and inform the design of the current project only. The disclosure of hidden crown and stem defects, in particular where they may be above a reachable height or where trees are ivy clad or located in areas of restrictive ground vegetation, cannot therefore be expected. Detailed tree safety appraisals are only carried out under specific written instructions. Comments upon evident tree safety relate to the condition of said tree at the time of the survey only. Unless otherwise stated all trees should be re-inspected annually in order to appraise their on-going mechanical integrity and physiological condition. It should, however, be recognised that tree condition is subject to change, for example due to the effects of disease, decay, high winds, development works, etc. Changes in land use or site conditions (e.g. development that increases access frequency) and the occurrence of severe weather incidents are also significant considerations with regard to tree structural integrity, and trees should therefore be re-assessed in the context of such changes and/or incidents and inspected at intervals relative to identified and varying site conditions and associated risks.

Where trees are located wholly or partially on neighbouring private third-party land then said land is not accessed and our inspection is therefore restricted to what can reasonably be seen from within the site. Stem diameters and other measurements of trees located on such land are estimated. Any subsequent comments and judgments made in respect of such trees are based on these restrictions and are our preliminary opinion only. Recommendations for works to neighbouring third-party trees are only made where a potential risk to persons and/or property has been identified during our survey or, if applicable, where permissible works are required to implement a proposed development. Where significant structural defects of third-party trees are identified and associated management works are considered essential to negate any risk of harm and/or damage then we will inform the relevant Council of the matter. Where a more detailed assessment is considered necessary then appropriate recommendations are set out in the Tree Survey Schedule.

Where tree stem locations are not included on the plan(s) provided then they are plotted by the arboriculturist at the time of the survey using, where appropriate and/or practicable, a combination of measurement triangulation and GPS co-ordination. Where this is not possible then locations are estimated. Restrictions in these respects are detailed in the report.

This document is intended as a guide to identify key tree related constraints to site development only, and the potential influence of trees upon existing or proposed buildings or other structures resulting from the effects of their roots abstracting water from shrinkable load-bearing soils is not considered herein. The tree survey information in its current form should not therefore be considered sufficient to determine appropriate foundation depths for new buildings. Accordingly, an updated survey, with reference to the current NHBC Standards Chapter 4.2 - Building Near Trees, must therefore be prepared for the specific purpose of informing suitable foundation depths subsequent to planning approval being granted. The advice of a structural engineer must also be sought with regard to appropriate foundation depths for new buildings.

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

#### Terms of Reference

- 1.1 Bowland Tree Consultancy Ltd were instructed to:
  - a) Survey, either as individuals or by group, all trees having reasonable potential to affect or to be adversely affected by the proposed development of the site under consideration;
  - b) Prepare a tabulated Tree Survey Schedule based on guidance specified in BS5837:2012 - Trees in Relation to Design, Demolition and Construction – Recommendations;
  - c) Evaluate the potential tree related impacts and design conflicts of the proposals;
  - d) Advise on removal, retention and management options for the trees in the current context and in the context of the proposed development;
  - e) Advise on suitable tree protection measures required during development;
  - f) Annotate the site proposal plan to produce a Tree Impact Plan identifying tree retention categories, crown spreads, Root Protection Areas, projected tree related impacts, and other pertinent details; and
  - g) Produce an Arboricultural Impact Assessment report outlining the main tree related issues and reasonably foreseeable tree related impacts in relation to the proposed development and indicating suitable mitigation provisions and retained tree protection measures.

#### Scope and Purpose of Report

- 1.2 By detailing foreseeable tree related issues this report is intended to assist the Local Planning Authority (LPA), in this case Ribble Valley Borough Council, in their review of the proposed development and, as such, should be supplied to them in support of the planning application to which it pertains.
- 1.3 Essentially, the report provides an initial analysis of the impacts that the proposed development is projected to have on trees located both within the site and, where practicable and pertinent, on land immediately adjacent to its boundaries. It also offers guidance on suitable retained tree management and mitigation for projected losses, along with advice on appropriate tree protection measures in the context of the proposed development in accordance with current guidance.

#### Site Visit, Data Collection and Tree Plans

- 1.4 Further to our instruction I confirm that I visited the site and carried out a tree survey on 18 November 2016. The survey was carried out in accordance with the preceding disclaimer, and all tree data collected on site is set out in the attached tabulated Tree Survey Schedule (TSS) at Appendix One which, for ease of interpretation, should be read alongside the associated BS5837:2012 Table 1 (as appended).
- 1.5 The survey identified 12 individual trees (prefixed 'T'), two groups (prefixed 'G'), and two hedges (prefixed 'H'), which have been numbered accordingly on the Tree Impact Plan (TIP), as appended. The TIP details the existing site, with readily definable tree constraints, and an overlay of the development proposals detailing associated tree impacts, retention proposals, and other pertinent information.
- 1.6 The TIP is based on an Ordnance Survey (OS) based site proposal plan that was provided in electronic format by the project agents, Avalon Town Planning, and, for the purpose of this report, I presume the provided plan's details to be accurate.

#### 2.0 STATUTORY PROTECTION IN RESPECT OF TREES AND ASSOCIATED WILDLIFE

#### Tree Preservation Orders and Conservation Area Designations

- 2.1 The Town & Country Planning Act (1990) (the Act) and associated Regulations empower Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) to protect trees in the interests of amenity by making Tree Preservation Orders (TPOs). The Act also affords protection for trees of over 75 mm diameter that stand within the curtilage of a Conservation Area (CA).
- 2.2 Subject to certain exemptions, an application must be made to the LPA in question to carry out works upon or to remove trees that are subject to a TPO, whilst six weeks' notice of intention must be given to carry out works upon or to remove trees within a CA that are not protected by a TPO.
- 2.3 According to Ribble Valley Borough Council's planning department website the site does not stand within a CA. However, I have not been informed if any of the surveyed trees are the subject of a TPO and, as such, it is therefore essential to contact the planning office at Ribble Valley Borough Council in order to check for the presence of any such statutory tree protection prior to carrying out any tree works that are not related directly to the implementation of a detailed planning approval.

#### **Protected Species**

- 2.4 Nesting birds are afforded statutory protection under the Wildlife & Countryside Act (1981) (as amended) and their potential presence should therefore be considered when clipping hedges, removing climbing plants and pruning and removing trees. The breeding period for woodlands runs from March to August inclusive. Hedges provide valuable nesting sites for many birds and clipping should therefore be avoided during March to July. Trees, hedges and ivy should be inspected for nests prior to pruning or removal and any work likely to destroy or disturb active nests should be avoided until the young have fledged.
- 2.5 All bat species are protected under Schedule 5 of the Wildlife & Countryside Act (1981) (as amended) and under Schedule 2 of the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 (as amended). In this respect, it should be noted that it is possible that unidentified bat habitat features may be located high up in tree crowns and all personnel carrying out tree works at the site should therefore be vigilant and mindful of the possibility that roosting bats may be present in trees with such features. If any bat roosts are identified, then it is essential that works are halted immediately and that a suitably qualified and experienced ecologist investigates and advises on appropriate action(s) prior to works continuing.

#### Felling Licences

- 2.6 Subject to certain exemptions the Forestry Act (1967) requires that a 'Felling Licence' be obtained to remove growing trees amounting to more than five cubic metres of timber in a calendar quarter. Felling Licences are administered by the Forestry Commission and contravention of the associated controls can incur substantial penalties.
- 2.7 A felling licence is, however, not required for the removal of trees immediately required for the purpose of carrying out development authorised by a full planning permission granted under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

#### 3.0 THE SITE AND THE SURROUNDINGS

- 3.1 The site under consideration is located on the rural northern outskirts of the village of Osbaldeston, Lancashire, and within the administrative boundaries of Ribble Valley Borough Council.
- 3.2 It is currently comprised of a residential garden, that is surrounded by hedges and has several individual trees interspersed throughout. It is bordered to the north by an evidently unmanaged and unused area of grassland, to the east by Osbaldeston Lane, to the south by the existing detached dwelling, Higherfield, and a further garden area belonging to the property, and to the north-west, south-west and west by agricultural pastureland.
- 3.3 At present, vehicular access is available to Higherfield from Osbaldeston Lane, but not into the proposed development site itself. There is, however, an existing vehicle access gate at the northern end of the site leading off Osbaldeston Lane, although there is no associated made road at present.
- 3.4 Whilst I have not been provided with a topographical survey plan, I did not note there to be any significant changes in ground levels within the area of the site under consideration at the time of my survey.

#### 4.0 THE TREE POPULATION

- 4.1 As noted previously, a total of 12 individual trees, two groups, and two hedges were surveyed for the purpose of this appraisal. The tree population is comprised of deciduous broadleaf and evergreen broadleaf and coniferous species, including Beech, Oak, Holly, and Leyland Cypress. They range from semi-mature to post-mature in age, with heights of up to 17 metres, maximum diametrical crown spreads of up to approximately 17 metres, and stem diameters of up to 690 millimetres. Detailed tree dimensions and other pertinent information, such as structural defects and physiological deficiencies, are included in the Tree Survey Schedule (TSS) at Appendix One.
- 4.2 In respect of the survey it should be noted that tree quality is categorised within the existing context without taking any site development proposals into account. However, recommendations for works included in the TSS take both current site usage into consideration and the proposed site development where there are definable development related issues with regard to specific trees.
- 4.3 Under the UK's planning system trees are a material consideration in the planning and development process. Nonetheless, only trees of a suitable quality and value should be considered a material constraint to development. In this respect the TSS includes a column ('Cat. Grade') listing the trees' respective retention values, where they are rated either 'A', 'B', 'C' or 'U', as per BS5837:2012 Table 1 (Appendix One). 'A' category trees are those considered to be of 'high quality' and, accordingly, the most suitable for retention, whilst 'B' category trees are those considered to be of 'low quality' with a correlated low retention value. In turn, 'U' category trees are those that are considered to be 'unsuitable for retention'.
- 4.4 As detailed in Table A, overleaf, six trees and one group were categorised as moderate quality (i.e. 'B' category), six trees and two hedges were categorised as low quality (i.e. 'C' category), and one group was categorised as unsuitable for retention (i.e. 'U' category).

#### Table A: BS5837-2012 Retention Categories of the Surveyed Trees

	Ret. Cats.	Tree/Group/Hedge Numbers	Totals
Those of a moderate or high quality that should be	'A'	-	-
afforded appropriate consideration in the context of development	'B'	T2, T3, T4, T5, T7, T8 G2	6 Trees 1 Group
Those of a low quality that should not be considered a material constraint to development	ʻC'	T1, T6, T9, T10, T11, T12 H1, H2	6 Trees 2 Hedges
Those that should be removed for sound management reasons regardless of site proposals	'U'	G1	1 Group
			= 12 Trees, 2 Groups, & 2 Hedges in Total

## 5.0 THE DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL AND ITS PROJECTED ARBORICULTURAL IMPACTS

#### The Development Proposal

5.1 I am informed, by the project agent, Avalon Town Planning, that the planning application is for the construction of a rear extension to the existing dwelling, Higherfield, and a detached garage with a new driveway leading from the existing vehicular access gate off Osbaldeston Lane at the northern end of the property's existing garden (see TIP).

#### Projected Arboricultural Losses Relating to the Proposal

5.2 As detailed in Table B, below, it is projected that construction of the development as proposed will require the removal of one low quality ('C' category) tree.

	Ret. Cats	Removals necessary to implement development	Removals recommended regardless of development	Total no. of tree removals
Those of a high quality that should be afforded appropriate consideration in the context of development	'A'	-	-	-
Those of a moderate quality that should be afforded appropriate consideration in the context of development	'B'	-	-	-
Those of a low quality that should be afforded appropriate consideration in the context of development	ʻC'	Т6	-	1 Tree
Those that should be removed for sound management reasons regardless of plans	'U'	-	-	-
Totals		1 Tree	-	= 1 Tree in Total

 Table B: Arboricultural Impacts of Proposed Development & Other Tree Removal Proposals

#### Mitigation for Projected Tree Losses as Part of Site Landscaping

5.3 The site is of sufficient size to accommodate a newly planted tree in order to mitigate for the development-related tree loss, the provision of which can be conditioned to a planning approval.

## Special Design, Construction and Protection Considerations in Relation to Retained Trees

5.4 As shown on the TIP, the proposed driveway encroaches within the RPAs of retained trees T1, T3 and T5. Whilst encroachments into less than 20% of the unsurfaced area of RPA are acceptable under the BS5837:2012 guidance, we would note that Section 7.4 of BS5837: 2012 recommends that, where the construction of hard surfaces cannot be avoided within RPAs, then a 'no-dig' design, such as a three-dimensional cellular confinement system, should be used to avoid root loss and damage due to ground

excavation and/or compaction. A manufacturer's brochure detailing the design and construction of a typical 'no-dig' hard surface is included at Appendix Three.

5.5 In turn, specific details regarding the construction of the hard surfaces, where they encroach within RPAs, should be discussed and established with the manufacturer of one of the products and/or a specialist and experienced contractor, and subsequently be included in an Arboricultural Method Statement and on a Tree Protection Plan (see paragraphs 6.6 and 6.7).

## 6.0 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SUCCESSFUL TREE RETENTION IN THE CONTEXT OF DEVELOPMENT

#### **Root Protection Areas and Construction Exclusion Zones**

- 6.1 Adequate protection of the Root Protection Areas (RPAs) of retained trees during construction is essential if their long-term viability is to be assured. RPAs, which are calculated through a method provided in BS5837:2012, are ground areas that should be protected by temporary protective fencing as Construction Exclusion Zones (CEZs) throughout the development process, thereby keeping the trees' root zones free from disturbance. Consequently, the RPA distances, as detailed in the TSS (see 6.2) and on the TIP, give an idea of the on-site below-ground constraints in respect of tree roots and assist in planning for appropriate tree retention in relation to feasible development.
- 6.2 The TSS includes two columns listing the RPAs of the individually surveyed trees and, where applicable, the largest of the trees in any surveyed groups as overall areas in square metres and as radial distances. The radial RPAs are indicated as magenta coloured circles on the TIP. With regard to CEZs the design, materials and construction of the fencing should be appropriate for the intensity and type of site construction works, should conform to at least section 6.2 of BS5837:2012, and should be secured by the imposition of a suitably worded planning condition. A default Temporary Protective Fencing Specification is included at Appendix Two.
- 6.3 The specific type(s) of Temporary Protective Fencing for the site under consideration should be considered at the detailed design stage, and subsequently covered in an Arboricultural Method Statement and on a Tree Protection Plan (see paragraphs 6.6 and 6.7).

#### Underground Utilities

- 6.4 The installation of underground utilities in close proximity to trees can cause serious damage to their roots. As such, it is essential that utilities be routed outside RPAs unless there is no other available option. Where RPAs cannot be avoided then guidelines set out in the National Joint Utilities Group publication 'Volume 4: NJUG Guidelines for the Planning, Installation and Maintenance of Utility Apparatus in Proximity to Trees (Issue 2) Operatives Handbook' should be followed (e.g. trenches of a very limited width to be hand dug or the use of directional drilling).
- 6.5 In the case of the development under consideration, it is projected that services to the proposed garage can be routed from the existing dwelling without encroaching into the RPAs of any of the retained trees.

#### Arboricultural Method Statement and Tree Protection Plan

- 6.6 Government guidance recommends that, where considered expedient by the LPA, an Arboricultural Method Statement (AMS) and a Tree Protection Plan (TPP) be prepared detailing special mitigation construction issues in relation to the development under consideration. Essentially, the AMS and TPP describe and detail the procedures, working methods and protective measures to be used in relation to retained trees in order to ensure that they are adequately protected during the construction process.
- 6.7 In order to ensure that the retained trees are adequately protected throughout the development process, the production of and adherence to an AMS and TPP can be conditioned to a planning approval.

#### 7.0 OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

#### Non-Development Related Tree Works and Recommendations

7.1 Any general management pruning works for retained trees that are stated to be nondevelopment related, as detailed in the TSS, are recommended in accordance with prudent arboricultural management and should therefore be carried out regardless of any site development proposals and potential changes in land usage. All tree works should be carried out in accordance with BS3998:2010 - Tree Work – Recommendations.

#### Tree Work Related Consents

7.2 No tree pruning or removal works should commence on site until necessary consents have been obtained from the LPA as part of a planning approval or in respect of any statutory tree protection (e.g. TPOs).

#### **Arboricultural Contractors**

7.3 All tree works should be carried out by suitably qualified and experienced arboricultural contractors carrying appropriate public liability insurance cover and be implemented to the minimum current CE and UK industry standards and in accordance with industry codes of practice. Only certificated personnel should, in accordance with The Control of Pesticides Regulations, apply any pesticides.

#### Contractors and Subsequently Identified Tree Defects

7.4 Tree contractors should be made aware that, should any significant tree defects become apparent during operations that would not have been immediately obvious to the surveyor, then such defects should be notified immediately to the client and subsequently confirmed to the consultant within five working days.

#### New Tree Planting

7.5 All tree planting at the site should be carried out in accordance with BS8545:2014 Trees: from nursery to independence in the landscape – Recommendations.

#### **Retained Tree Management**

7.6 Any tree risk management appraisals and subsequent recommendations made in this report were based on observations and site circumstances at the time of our survey. Trees

are dynamic living organisms whose structure is constantly changing and even those evidently in good condition can succumb to damage and/or stress.

7.7 In this respect, we would note that, under the Occupiers' Liability Act (1957 & 1984), site occupants have a duty of care to take reasonable steps to prevent or minimise the risk of personal injury and/or damage to property from any tree located within the curtilage of the land they occupy. It is accepted that these steps should normally include commissioning a qualified and experienced arboriculturist to survey their trees in order to identify any risk of harm to persons or damage to property that they may present and, where unacceptable risks are identified, taking suitable remedial action to negate those risks.

#### 8.0 SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

- 8.1 Twelve individual trees, two groups, and two hedges were surveyed in respect of a proposal to construct a detached garage and driveway at the site under consideration.
- 8.2 Six trees and one group were allocated moderate retention values, six trees and two hedges were allocated a low retention values, and one group was classed as unsuitable for retention regardless of development.
- 8.3 My appraisal identified that, from the information provided to date, construction of the development as proposed will require the removal of one low quality tree.
- 8.4 Nonetheless, the proposed development has sufficient space to accommodate a new tree in mitigation, the provision of which can be conditioned to a planning approval.
- 8.5 My appraisal also identified that the hard surface of the proposed driveway encroaches into the RPAs of three retained trees. Nonetheless, the encroachments are within the acceptable tolerance recommended in the BS5837:2012 guidance.
- 8.6 Where the driveway encroaches within retained trees' RPAs, it will therefore be necessary to construct the driveway using 'no-dig' methods and materials in accordance with BS5837: 2012, the details of which should be included in an Arboricultural Method Statement and on a Tree Protection Plan, the provision of which can be conditioned to a planning approval.
- 8.7 In order to ensure successful existing tree preservation over the long-term, it is essential that the retained trees are protected in strict accordance with current Government guidance and the recommendations included herein.

#### REFERENCES

BS8545:2014 - Trees: From Nursery to Independence in the Landscape – Recommendations. BSI British Standards, London.

BS3998:2010 - Tree Work - Recommendations. BSI British Standards, London.

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#### APPENDICES



TREE SURVEY S	CHEDULE FOR ARBORICULTURAL IMPACT APPRAISAL	Surveyor:	Jennie Keighley MSc MArborA	
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No.	Species	Height	Stem Diam.		Branch Spread	Branch & Canopy Clearances	Life Stage	PC	General Observations and Comments	Management Recommendations	ERC	Cat. Grade	RPA (m²)	RPA Radius (m)
T1	Common Alder	16	1x450 1x350 1x250 (ms)#	1	5 5 6 6	2.25-E 2	М	Ρ	<ul> <li>Located on neighbouring land and therefore not inspected in detail.</li> <li>Multi-stemmed from base.</li> <li>Lower stem growing 250mm from wooden gatepost.</li> <li>Heavy basal epicormics cut.</li> <li>Dominant leader has hollow mid-stem with holes where stem can be seen through.</li> <li>Some of smaller leaders removed in past.</li> <li>Bat roost potential.</li> <li>Proposed driveway encroaches 14% into calculated Root Protection Area (RPA).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Construct proposed driveway, where within RPA, using 'no-dig' methods and materials in accordance with BS5837: 2012 – see Arboricultural Impact Assessment (AIA).</li> </ul>	10+	C1	175	7.47
Т2	Common Oak	15	510	N E S W	4.5 6 7 4	3-E&W 1.75	Μ	М	<ul> <li>Located on neighbouring land and therefore not inspected in detail.</li> <li>300mm long open wound on southern side of lower stem into which metal probe can be inserted 100mm into soft, decaying tissue.</li> <li>Fence wire enveloped into stem.</li> <li>Moderate stem lean east.</li> <li>Abundant stem and branch epicormics.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Protect RPA throughout development using Temporary Protective Fencing (specification appended) to form a Construction Exclusion Zone (CEZ).</li> </ul>	20+	B1	118	6.12
ТЗ	Beech	14	590	N E S W	8 9 6 8	4-S 3	М	М	<ul> <li>Slightly enlarged taper to base, which could be indicative of brown rot infection or could just be a result of branch removals around mid-stem.</li> <li>Sounding with nylon mallet did not indicate any significant decay.</li> <li>Small patch of epicormics on western side of base.</li> <li>Repeatedly crown lifted, with wounds occluding well.</li> <li>Very subtle thinning of crown noticeable.</li> <li>Proposed driveway encroaches 20% into calculated RPA</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Retain in context of proposed development.</li> <li>Construct proposed driveway, where within RPA, using 'no-dig' methods and materials in accordance with BS5837: 2012 – see AIA.</li> <li>Protect remainder of RPA throughout development using Temporary Protective Fencing to form a CEZ.</li> </ul>	20+	B1	157	7.08

#### Headings and Abbreviations:

Treadings and Appreviations.		
No.	Allocated sequential reference number - Tree ('T'), Group ('G'), Woodland ('W') or Hedge ('H') reference number - refer to plan and to numbered tags where applicable	
Species:	Common name	
Height:	In metres, to nearest half metre – where possible approximately 80% are measured using an electronic clinometer and the remainder estimated against the measured trees. In the case of Groups and Woodlands the measurement listed is that of the highest tree	
Stem Diam .:	Stem diameter in millimetres, to nearest 10mm - measured and calculated as per Annex C of BS5837.2012. MS = multi-stemmed, TS = twin-stemmed	
Branch Spread:	Crown radius measured (or estimated where considered appropriate) from the four cardinal points (north, east, south and west) to give an accurate visual representation of the crown	
Branch & Canopy Clearances:	Existing height above ground level, in metres, of first significant branch and direction of growth (e.g. 2.5-N) and of canopy at lowest point – to inform on crown to height ratio, potential for shading, etc.	
Life Stage:	Estimated age class - Y = young, SM = semi-mature, EM = early-mature, M = mature, PM = post-mature	
PC:	Physiological Condition - a measure of the tree'(s)' overall vitality, i.e. D = Dead, MD = Moribund, P = Poor, M = Moderate, G = Good	
General Observations and Comments:	Comments relating to the tree'(s)' overall condition and any other pertinent factors including structural defects, current and potential direct structural damage, physiological decline, poor form, etc.	
Management Recommendations:	Either Preliminary or In Consideration of the Proposal - In the case of Arboricultural Constraints Surveys the recommended management works only take exiting site and tree circumstances and conditions into account and not proposed developments. Arboricultural Impact Assessment and	nd Method Statement related
	Surveys take the proposed development into consideration with recommendations made accordingly. More than one option may be given if considered appropriate	
ERC:	Estimated Remaining Contribution - in years as per BS5837:2012 (i.e. <10, 10+, 20+, 40+)	
Cat. Grade:	Category Grading - tree retention value listed as U, A, B or C - in accordance with BS5837:2012 Table 1	
RPA m <sup>2</sup> :	Root Protection Area in m <sup>2</sup> - calculated area around the tree that must be appropriately protected throughout the development process in order avoid root damage	Bowland 🔿
RPA Radius (m):	Root Protection Area Radius - in metres measured from the centre of the stem to the line of tree protection	
# (Estimated Dimensions):	Where trees are located off-site, or are inaccessible for any other reason, and accurate measurements or other information cannot be taken then the information provided is estimated and is duly suffixed with a "#" symbol	Tree Consultancy Ltd

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No.	Species	Height	Stem Diam.	Bran Spre		Branch & Canopy Clearances	Life Stage	PC	General Observations and Comments	Management Recommendations	ERC	Cat. Grade	RPA (m²)	RPA Radius (m)
T4	Downy Birch	16	1x350 1x270 (ts)	N 5 E 6.3 S 6 W 6		3-S 4	М	М	<ul> <li>Twin-stemmed from a height of 1m.</li> <li>Some small diameter pruning recently carried out.</li> <li>Several older partially occluded pruning wounds with decaying wood visible beneath to a diameter of 100mm.</li> <li>Frequent 'witches broom' twig deformations throughout crown.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Retain in context of proposed development.</li> <li>Protect RPA throughout development using Temporary Protective Fencing to form a CEZ.</li> </ul>	20+	B1	88	5.3
T5	Beech	11	690	N 6 E 9 S 7 W 6.3	.5	1.5 1.5	М		<ul> <li>Evidently an outgrown pollard.</li> <li>Numerous leaders emerge from a height of 1.5m with included bark unions and are merging with and abrading each other.</li> <li>Crown hanging extensively over proposed development area with low clearance.</li> <li>Proposed driveway encroaches 18% into calculated RPA</li> </ul>	Retain in context of proposed development. Prune to lift crown over proposed driveway in order to create clearance for vehicles. Construct proposed driveway, where within RPA, using 'no-dig' methods and materials in accordance with BS5837: 2012 – see AIA. Protect remainder of RPA throughout development using Temporary Protective Fencing to form a CEZ.		B1	215	8.28
Т6	Wild Cherry	6.5	280	N 2.5 E 3 S 3.5 W 2	.5	1 3.5	М	G	<ul> <li>Crown slightly biased east, away from prevailing wind.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Remove in order to construct development as proposed.</li> </ul>	10+	C1	35	3.36
T7	Tulip Tree	8	330	N 3.4 E 4 S 3.4 W 3.4	.5	1-NW 1.75	EM	G	<ul> <li>No visible defects.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Retain in context of proposed development.</li> <li>Protect RPA throughout development using Temporary Protective Fencing to form a CEZ.</li> </ul>	20+	B1	49	3.96
Т8	Silver Birch	17	430	N 3.9 E 4 S 3.9 W 3		3-N 1.75	М	G	<ul> <li>No visible defects.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Retain in context of proposed development.</li> <li>Protect RPA throughout development using Temporary Protective Fencing to form a CEZ.</li> </ul>	20+	B1	84	5.16
Т9	Silver Beech	8	6x250 (ms)#	N 3 E 3.4 S 2.4 W 2	.5	1-N 0.5	М	G	<ul> <li>Multi-stemmed from a height of 0.25m.</li> <li>Crown biased east, away from prevailing wind.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Retain in context of proposed development.</li> <li>Protect RPA throughout development using Temporary Protective Fencing to form a CEZ.</li> </ul>	10+	C1	170	7.35
T10	Beech	13	280	N 4 E 3 S 2 W 2		4-S 8	SM	Ρ	<ul> <li>Highly attenuated crown, evidently trying to achieve apical dominance over neighbouring Oak.</li> <li>Crown heavily biased north.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Retain in context of proposed development.</li> <li>Protect RPA throughout development using Temporary Protective Fencing to form a CEZ.</li> </ul>	10+	C1	35	3.36

TREE SURVEY SC	HEDULE FOR ARBORICULTURAL IMPACT APPRAISAL	1	Surveyor:	Jennie Keighley MSc MArborA	
Site:	Higherfield, Osbaldeston Lane, Osbaldeston, Lancashire, BB2 7LY		Survey Date:	18 November 2016	Page: 3 of 3
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No.	Species	Height	Stem Diam.	Branch Spread	Branch & Canopy Clearances	Life Stage	PC	General Observations and Comments	Management Recommendations	ERC	Cat. Grade	RPA (m²)	RPA Radius (m)
T11	Downy Birch	12.5	270	N 2 E 3 S 4 W 3.5	4.5-S 3	EM	М	<ul> <li>Crown biased south, away from neighbouring Oaks.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Retain in context of proposed development.</li> <li>Protect RPA throughout development using Temporary Protective Fencing to form a CEZ.</li> </ul>	10+	C1	33	3.24
T12	Holly	9	230	N 3 E 3.5 S 3 W 3	2.5-NW 1.75	ЕМ	G	<ul> <li>Growing in hedge H1 and therefore unable to inspect base and lower stem.</li> <li>No visible defects.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Retain in context of proposed development.</li> <li>Protect RPA throughout development using Temporary Protective Fencing to form a CEZ.</li> </ul>	10+	C1	24	2.76
G1	1no. Hawthorn, 1no. Elder	≤ 10	≤ 4x150 (ms)#	N ≤ 5 E ≤ 2 S ≤ 2.5 W ≤ 2	2 ≥ 1.5	M-PM	Ρ	<ul> <li>Located on neighbouring land and therefore not inspected in detail.</li> <li>Hawthorn has four co-dominant leaders emerging at ground level.</li> <li>Elder has severe stem lean north.</li> <li>Both have crowns biased north and some dead primary branches.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Retain in context of proposed development.</li> <li>Protect RPA throughout development using Temporary Protective Fencing to form a CEZ.</li> </ul>	<10	U	≤ 41	≤ 3.6
G2	3no. Common Oak	≤ 17	≤ 480#	N ≤7 E ≤6 S ≤7 W ≤6	3-W ≥ 4	EM	G	<ul> <li>Growing in hedge H1 and therefore unable to inspect bases and lower stems.</li> <li>No visible defects.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Retain in context of proposed development.</li> <li>Protect RPA throughout development using Temporary Protective Fencing to form a CEZ.</li> </ul>	20+	B1	≤ 104	≤ 5.76
H1	Hawthorn, Holly, Beech, Hazel, Leyland Cypress	≤ 2	≤ 100#	≤ 2 Wide	0 ≥ 0	SM-M	G	<ul> <li>Managed boundary hedge.</li> <li>Double rowed, with mixed broadleaf species on road side and Leyland Cypress on garden side.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Retain in context of proposed development.</li> <li>Ensure protection throughout development.</li> </ul>	10+	C2	N/A	≤ 1.2
H2	Leyland Cypress	≤ 2	≤ 100#	≤ 2 Wide	0 ≥ 0	SM	G	Intensively managed garden boundary hedge.	<ul> <li>Retain in context of proposed development.</li> <li>Ensure protection throughout development.</li> </ul>	10+	C2	N/A	≤ 1.2

Category and definition	Criteria (including subcategories where app	ropriate)		Identification on plan				
Trees unsuitable for retention (see								
<b>Category U</b> Those in such a condition that they cannot realistically be retained as living trees in the context of the current land use for longer than 10 years	<ul> <li>Trees that have a serious, irremediable, structural defect, such that their early loss is expected due to collapse, including those that will become unviable after removal of other category U trees (e.g. where, for whatever reason, the loss of companion shelter cannot be mitigated by pruning)</li> <li>Trees that are dead or are showing signs of significant, immediate, and irreversible overall decline</li> <li>Trees infected with pathogens of significance to the health and/or safety of other trees nearby, or very low quality trees suppressing adjacent trees of better quality</li> </ul>							
	1. Mainly arboricultural qualities	2. Mainly landscape qualities	3. Mainly cultural values, including conservation					
Trees to be considered for retention	on	•	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	•				
Category A Trees of high quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 40 years	Trees that are particularly good examples of their species, especially if rare or unusual; or those that are essential components of groups or formal or semi-formal arboricultural features (e.g. the dominant and/or principal trees within an avenue)	Trees, groups or woodlands of particular visual importance as arboricultural and/or landscape features	Trees, groups or woodlands of significant conservation, historical, commemorative or other value (e.g. veteran trees or wood-pasture)	Green				
Category B Those of moderate quality and value: those in such a condition as to make a significant contribution. A minimum of 20 years is suggested.	Trees that might be included in the high category, but are downgraded because of impaired condition. Examples include the presence of remediable defects including unsympathetic past management and minor storm damage	Trees present in numbers, usually as groups or woodlands, so they form distinct landscape features which attract a higher collective rating than they might as individuals. But which are not, individually, essential components of formal or semi-formal arboricultural features. For example, trees of moderate quality within an avenue that includes better, A category specimens. Or trees which are internal to the site, therefore individually having little visual impact on the wider locality	Trees with clearly identifiable conservation or other cultural benefits	Blue				
Category C Those trees of low quality and value: currently in adequate condition to remain until new planting could be established - a minimum of 10 years is suggested - or young trees with a stem diameter below 150 mm	Trees not qualifying in higher categories Note – Whilst C category trees will usually not to trees with a stem diameter of less than 150mm	Grey						

#### BS5837:2012 Table 1 – Cascade Chart for Tree Quality Assessment

#### - TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE FENCING & GROUND PROTECTION SPECIFICATION -

**Construction Exclusion Zones (CEZs)**, shall be enclosed by **Temporary Protective Fencing** and/or, where necessary, **Temporary Ground Protection Measures**. The fencing/ground protection Type(s), locations, and extents shall be agreed, in writing, with the Local Planning Authority (LPA). In turn, the **Temporary Protective Fencing** and/or **Temporary Ground Protection Measures** shall:

- 1. be constructed as in accordance with the Type 1, Type 2 or Type 3 'Temporary Protective Fencing Construction' sections and, where applicable the 'Temporary Ground Protection Measures' section, as detailed herein and agreed, in advance with the LPA;
- 1. be retained in place throughout the development process until completion of the project, and only removed following receipt of written permission from the LPA;
- 2. be sited in the area(s) defined by the Root Protection Areas on the associated Tree Impact Plan, or as the CEZs on the Tree Protection Plan;
- 3. be erected prior to any construction, demolition or excavation works and remain in place for the duration of the project;
- 4. preclude any delivery of site accommodation and/or materials and/or plant machinery;
- preclude all construction related activity, with the sole exception of specified arboricultural works and any other works to be carried out under supervision that have been agreed by all parties;
- 6. preclude the storage of all development related materials and substances including fuels, oils, additives, cement and/or any other deleterious substance; and
- 7. be affixed with a 600mm x 300mm warning sign reading "TREE PROTECTION AREA KEEP OUT" (see Figure 1, below), at every 10.0 metre length of protective fencing.

Important: Any incursion into CEZs must be by prior arrangement, following consultation with the LPA.

Figure 1: CEZ Warning Sign

## TREE PROTECTION AREA – KEEP OUT! (TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990) THE TREES ENCLOSED BY THIS FENCE ARE PROTECTED BY PLANNING CONDITIONS AND/OR SUBJECTS OF A 'TREE PRESERVATION ORDER', THE CONTRAVENTION OF WHICH MAY LEAD TO CRIMINAL PROSECUTION THE FOLLOWING <u>MUST</u> BE OBSERVED BY <u>ALL</u> PERSONNEL: THE PROTECTIVE FENCING MUST <u>NOT</u> BE MOVED NO PERSON SHALL ENTER THE CONSTRUCTION EXCLUSION ZONE NO MACHINE, PLANT OR VEHICLES SHALL ENTER THE EXCLUSION ZONE NO MATERIALS SHALL BE STORED IN THE EXCLUSION ZONE NO SPOIL SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN THE EXCLUSION ZONE

- NO SPOIL SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN THE EXCLUSION ZONE
   NO EXCAVATION SHALL OCCUR IN THE EXCLUSION ZONE
- NO EXCAVATION SHALL OCCOR IN THE EXCLUSION ZONE
   NO FIRES SHALL BE LIT IN THE EXCLUSION ZONE
   ANY INCURSION INTO THE EXCLUSION ZONE MUST BE WITH THE

WRITTEN PERMISSION OF THE LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY



#### Type 1 (i.e. 'Default') Temporary Protective Fencing Construction (see Figure 2, below)

- 1. Temporary protective fencing panels shall be weldmesh "Heras" panels of at least 2.0 metres in height.
- 2. The panels shall butt together and be securely fixed to a scaffold framework, as per points 3 to 5 of Figure 2, overleaf.
- 3. The scaffold framework shall comprise of upright poles of at least 3.0 metres in length driven no less than 0.6 metres into the ground at maximum 3.0 metre centres with horizontal and diagonal poles fixed to the uprights, as per points 4 to 5.
- 4. The two horizontal rail poles shall be attached to the uprights at heights of 0.6 and 1.8 metres with 3 no. clamps to each joint.
- 5. The diagonal scaffold pole struts be clamped to the top rail of the scaffold framework at a 45° angle and extend back into the CEZ and clamped to a 0.7 metre length of scaffold tube that shall be driven no less than 0.5m into the ground.
- 6. No fixing shall be made to any tree and all possible precautions shall be taken to prevent damage to tree roots when locating posts.
- 7. A 600mm x 300mm warning sign reading "TREE PROTECTION AREA KEEP OUT" (see Figure 1) shall be fixed to every 10.0 metre length of protective fencing.
- 8. On completion of erection, and prior to any demolition or construction works, site preparation, excavation or delivery of plant and materials, the Consulting Arboriculturist or the LPA Tree Officer, as agreed, shall inspect the Temporary Protective Fencing.



#### **Type 2 Temporary Protective Fencing Construction** (see Figure 3(a), below)

- 1. Temporary protective fencing panels shall be weldmesh "Heras" panels of at least 2.0 metres in height.
- 2. The panels shall stand on rubber or concrete feet.
- 3. The panels shall butt together, and be joined together using a minimum of two anti-tamper couplers, installed so that they can only be removed from inside the fence.
- 4. The distance between the fence couplers shall be at least 1.0 metre, and shall be uniform throughout the fence.
- 5. The panels shall be supported on the inner side by stabiliser struts, which shall be clamped to the scaffold framework at a 45° angle and extend back into the CEZ and shall be attached to a base plate, which shall be secured to the ground with pins (Figure 3a).
- 6. No fixing shall be made to any tree and all possible precautions shall be taken to prevent damage to tree roots when locating posts.
- 7. A 600mm x 300mm warning sign reading "TREE PROTECTION AREA KEEP OUT" (see Figure 1) shall be fixed to every 10.0 metre length of protective fencing.
- 8. On completion of erection, and prior to any demolition or construction works, site preparation, excavation or delivery of plant and materials, the Consulting Arboriculturist or the LPA Tree Officer, as agreed, shall inspect the Temporary Protective Fencing.



Figure 3(a): Type 2 Fencing (BS5837:2012 above-ground strut stabilising system with ground pins)

#### Type 3 Temporary Protective Fencing Construction (see Figure 3(b), overleaf)

- 1. Temporary protective fencing panels shall be weldmesh "Heras" panels of at least 2.0 metres in height.
- 2. The panels shall stand on rubber or concrete feet.
- 3. The panels shall butt together, and be joined together using a minimum of two anti-tamper couplers, installed so that they can only be removed from inside the fence.
- 4. The distance between the fence couplers shall be at least 1.0 metre, and shall be uniform throughout the fence.
- 5. The panels shall be supported on the inner side by stabiliser struts, which shall be clamped to the scaffold framework at a 45° angle and extend back into the CEZ and shall be attached to a block tray base (Figure 3b).
- 6. No fixing shall be made to any tree and all possible precautions shall be taken to prevent damage to tree roots when locating posts.
- 7. A 600mm x 300mm warning sign reading "TREE PROTECTION AREA KEEP OUT" (see Figure 1) shall be fixed to every 10.0 metre length of protective fencing.
- 8. On completion of erection, and prior to any demolition or construction works, site preparation, excavation or delivery of plant and materials, the Consulting Arboriculturist or the LPA Tree Officer, as agreed, shall inspect the Temporary Protective Fencing.



Figure 3(b): Type 3 Fencing (BS5837:2012 above-ground stabilising system with strut on block tray)



#### **Temporary Ground Protection**

- 2. Any necessary Temporary Ground Protection areas shall conform to Figure 4, below, unless otherwise agreed with the LPA.
- 3. The Ground Protection Area shall be left undisturbed and covered by a semi-permeable geotextile membrane which shall, in turn, be covered by a compressible layer consisting of a material such as woodchip.
- 4. Side-butting scaffold boards shall then be fitted to cover the Ground Protection Area.
- 5. On completion of installation, and prior to any demolition or construction works, site preparation, excavation or delivery of plant and materials, the Consulting Arboriculturist or the LPA Tree Officer, as agreed, shall inspect the Temporary Ground Protection.
- 6. The Temporary Ground Protection shall remain in place until completion of the project and only removed following receipt of written permission from the LPA.



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## The Consquences Of Tree Root Damage During Construction

It is an offence to cut down, lop, uproot, top, wilfully damage or destroy a protected tree without authorisation. Trees can be protected under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and the Town and Country Planning (Trees) Regulations 1999. Trees are protected when they are the subject of Tree Preservation Orders (T.P.O) or within Conservation Areas, subject to certain exemptions. Retention and protection of trees on development sites is also secured through the use of planning conditions.

On a construction site all trees with a Tree Preservation Orders need to be managed in accordance with BS5837 2012 (Trees in relation to construction); failure to comply with these orders can be a costly affair as many parties have discovered.



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There are two offences which apply equally to trees protected by Tree Preservation Orders and those within Conservation Areas:

- Firstly, anyone who cuts down, uproots or wilfully destroys a tree, or who lops, tops or wilfully damages it in a way that is likely to destroy it is liable, if convicted in the Magistrates Court, to pay a fine of up to £20,000. If the person is committed for trial in the Crown Court, they are liable on conviction to an unlimited fine. The Courts have held that it is not necessary for a tree to be obliterated for it to be "destroyed" for the purposes of the legislation. It is sufficient for the tree to have been rendered useless as an amenity.
- Secondly, anyone who carries out works on a tree that are not likely to destroy it is liable, if convicted in the Magistrates Court, to a fine of up to £2,500. In addition to directly carrying out unauthorised works on protected trees, it is an offence to cause or permit such works.

Developers and building contractors are often completely unaware that 'compaction of soils within the Root Protection Area (RPA)' constitutes wilful damage to the tree. When vehicular or pedestrian access within the RPA is necessary, either for the construction operation or final site access, the effects of this activity must be addressed and the ground must be protected. When tracked or wheeled traffic movements are involved, the ground protection system should be designed by an engineer and take into account the loading involved.



Shelton Road, Shewsbury

# The Solution:

### **Geosynthetics CellWeb TRP® System**



## The Solution According to BS 5837:2012

"Appropriate sub-base options for new hard surfacing include three-dimensional cellular confinement systems ......."

(BS 5837 2012 section 7.4.2 Note 1)

## The CellWeb TRP® Solution

CellWeb TRP<sup>®</sup> is the market leader in the United Kingdom and Ireland for tree root protection. CellWeb TRP<sup>®</sup> cellular confinement system protects tree roots from the damaging effects of compaction and desiccation, while creating a stable, load bearing surface for vehicular traffic. CellWeb TRP<sup>®</sup> complies with BS 5837:2012 and APN 12. It provides a no-dig solution, is tried and tested having been used successfully since 1998. It is the only tree root protection system which has been independently tested and it is the only tree root protection system which is guaranteed for 20 years. See page 6 for the full terms and conditions of the guarantee.



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### **Field Trials**

Geosynthetics Limited are the only company in the UK and Ireland to carry out live, completely independent field tests on the performance of a 3 dimensional cellular confinement system when used in a no-dig tree root protection system application. The results prove that CellWeb TRP® significantly reduces the compaction of sub-soils within the root growth limiting parameters established by K D Coder, 'Soil damage from compaction'. University of Georgia. July 2000. A copy of the report is available upon request.

### CellWeb TRP® Product Guarantee

Geosynthetics Limited prides itself on a providing a reliable, consistent service; including technical advice, on site support and installation guidance. Geosynthetics Limited provides a 20 year guarantee for the CellWeb TRP® tree root protection system. This guarantee gives the client, the tree officer and arboricultural consultant the confidence that the designed system will perform as intended without damaging the health of the tree.

See page 6 for the full terms and conditions of the guarantee.

# **CellWeb TRP® System**

### **How the System Works**



## How CellWeb TRP® Works

CellWeb TRP<sup>®</sup> is a cellular confinement system that confines aggregate materials and makes them stronger, thus increasing the bearing capacity of the sub base materials. Research shows that CellWeb TRP<sup>®</sup> acts as a stiff raft to distribute wheel loads and reduce their magnitude at the base of the construction, thus maintaining the soil bulk density at levels that are suitable for tree root growth.

CellWeb TRP® is used around the world to provide cost effective hard surface construction over tree roots and is the system of choice for Tree Officers and Arboriculturists. For more information on this subject see CellWeb TRP® Fact Sheet No 1.



## Water and Oxygen Transfer Through the CellWeb TRP® System

The CellWeb TRP<sup>®</sup> system is constructed using open aggregate infill and CellWeb TRP<sup>®</sup> has perforated cell walls. The pore spaces between the aggregate particles are greater than 0.1mm in diameter. This open structure is far more permeable than typical soils and allows the free movement of water and oxygen so that supplies to trees are maintained.

For more information on this subject see CellWeb TRP® Fact Sheet No 2.

# **CellWeb TRP® and Pollution**

### How CellWeb TRP® Deals With Catastrophic Oil Spills



Where possible a permeable pavement system should always be constructed above the CellWeb TRP® system. The effective removal of pollution from runoff by permeable pavements is well known. Worldwide research has shown runoff that has passed through permeable pavements has low concentrations of pollutants.

Small spills of oil will be dealt with within the joints between the paving blocks and in the aggregate used within the system. However, large catastrophic spills are a different matter.

For more information on this subject see CellWeb TRP® Fact Sheet No 3.



Ambleside Lake District

Harcourt Aboretum

The Treetex<sup>®</sup> geotextile used in the CellWeb TRP<sup>®</sup> system has two functions. Treetex<sup>®</sup> separates the sub base aggregates from the soil beneath and it traps oil within its structure and allows it to degrade aerobically within the pavement construction. The structure, thickness and weight of Treetex<sup>®</sup> creates the perfect environment for this to happen. Most importantly tests prove that Treetex<sup>®</sup> will absorb 1.7 litres of oil per square metre, this is 4 times more effective than standard geotextiles.

Treetex<sup>®</sup> is an intrinsic part of the CellWeb TRP<sup>®</sup> system; and must be in conjunction with the CellWeb TRP<sup>®</sup> in order to guarantee the success of the system.

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# **Geosynthetics CellWeb TRP® System:**

### **A Proven No Dig Solution**



## Advice, Design and Product Selection

Geosynthetics Limited has been supplying the CellWeb TRP® system since 1998 and has vast experience in its application. No two contracts are the same and we understand the factors that need to be taken into account to specify the correct CellWeb TRP® product.

We provide a free consultation, design and advisory service to find the solution that is most cost effective and beneficial for your site. Our service includes product selection, engineering calculations, CAD drawings and full instructions to help you from project conception to completion.



Fallbarrow Park, Windermere: Prior to CellWeb TRP® Installation



Fallbarrow Park, Windermere: Completed CellWeb TRP® Installation

## **Final Surfacing**

The benefits of the CellWeb TRP® system can only be maintained if a suitably porous final surface is selected. An ideal surfacing is the Golpla grass reinforcement and gravel retention system, a visually attractive surface that has the advantage of being fully porous. Alternatives include block paviors, porous asphalts and loose or bonded gravel.

## Always Use CellWeb TRP®

The CellWeb TRP<sup>®</sup> system is the only research backed system of its kind in the UK with a 100% success rate. CellWeb TRP® has been specifically developed for the Tree Root Protection market. The system is supported by 15 years of data and thousands of installations making it the system of choice for the majority of Tree Officers and Arboriculturists in the UK.

CellWeb TRP® is uniquely identifiable. It is manufactured with a bright green panel on each side. When installed the green panels are laid adjacent, creating a green band across the construction.



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