



# **Arboricultural Impact Assessment Overview**

in Relation to Proposed Construction  
of Detached Residential Property at



**Tree Tops, Wiswell Lane, Whalley,  
Lancashire, BB7 9AF**

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# ARBORICULTURAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT OVERVIEW

## TREE TOPS, WISWELL LANE, WHALLEY

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**PROJECT DETAILS**

**Project No.:** BTC2255

**Site:** Tree Tops, Wiswell Lane, Whalley, Lancashire, BB7 9AF

**Client:** Helen Eastham

**Council:** Ribble Valley Borough Council

**Survey Date:** 1 September 2021

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## **DISCLAIMER**

**Survey Limitations:** Unless otherwise stated all trees are surveyed from ground level using non-invasive techniques. 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 in areas of ground vegetation, cannot therefore be expected. All obvious defects, however, are reported. 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 regards 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 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 potentially unacceptable risk to persons and/or property has been identified during our survey. 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 first attempt to inform the site occupier of the issues and, if not possible, then inform the relevant Council. 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 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.

The tree survey and any report information provided is intended as a guide to identify key tree related constraints to site development only. As such, 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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TREE SURVEY SCHEDULE FOR ARBORICULTURAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT							
<b>Site:</b>		Tree Tops, Wiswell Lane, Whalley, Lancashire, BB7 9AF					
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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	Crab Apple	5	190	N E S W	1.5 1 2 3	2 2	SM	M/G	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Situated in bordered planting bed.</li><li>▪ Minor stem lean south.</li><li>▪ Stem bifurcates from a height of approximately 2m.</li><li>▪ North and eastern canopy evidently pruned back from adjacent hedge H1.</li><li>▪ Crown intertwined canopy with neighbouring tree T2.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Retain tree in context of proposed development.</li><li>▪ Ensure protection of tree's Root Protection Area (RPA) and crown throughout development through establishment of Construction Exclusion Zone (CEZ) in accordance with appended temporary fencing specification.</li></ul>	10+	C1	16	2.28
T2	Crab Apple	5	1x170 1x140 (ts)	N E S W	2 0 1 2	3 2	SM	M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Twin stemmed from a height of approximately 1m.</li><li>▪ Eastern canopy heavily pruned back from hedge.</li><li>▪ South-eastern canopy intertwined with neighbouring tree T1.</li><li>▪ Moderate amount of deadwood up to approximately 100mm diameter.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Retain tree in context of proposed development.</li><li>▪ Ensure protection of tree's RPA and crown throughout development through establishment of CEZ in accordance with appended temporary fencing specification.</li></ul>	10+	C1	22	2.64
T3	Common Hornbeam	9	220#	N E S W	3 3 3 3	N/A 2	SM	G	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Located on neighbouring land and subsequently not inspected in detail.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Ensure protection of tree's RPA and crown throughout development through establishment of CEZ in accordance with appended temporary fencing specification.</li></ul>	20+	C1	22	2.64
T4	Himalayan Birch	6	120#	N E S W	2 2 2 2	N/A 1	Y	G	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Located on neighbouring land and subsequently not inspected in detail.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Retain tree in context of proposed development.</li><li>▪ Ensure protection of tree's RPA and crown throughout development through establishment of CEZ in accordance with appended temporary fencing specification.</li></ul>	10+	C1	7	1.44
T5	Apple	8	200	N E S W	1 1.5 3 3	N/A 2.5	SM	M/P	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Minor stem lean west.</li><li>▪ Evidently crown lifted to a height of approximately 4m.</li><li>▪ Dense ivy covering stem from a height of approximately 1m, up into upper canopy.</li><li>▪ Canopy displaying signs of a moderate reduction in vitality.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Remove tree in order to construct development as proposed.</li></ul>	10+	C1	18	2.4

#### Headings and Abbreviations:

<b>No.</b>	Allocated sequential reference number - Tree ('T'), Group ('G'), Woodland ('W') or Hedge ('H') reference number - refer to plan and to numbered tags where applicable
<b>Species:</b>	Common name
<b>Height:</b>	In metres, to half nearest 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
<b>Stem Diam.:</b>	Stem diameter in millimetres, to nearest 10mm - measured and calculated as per Annex C of BS5837:2012. MS = multi-stemmed, TS = twin-stemmed
<b>Branch Spread:</b>	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
<b>Branch &amp; Canopy Clearances:</b>	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.
<b>Life Stage:</b>	Estimated age class - Y = young, SM = semi-mature, EM = early-mature, M = mature, PM = post-mature
<b>PC:</b>	Physiological Condition - a measure of the tree(s)' overall vitality, i.e. D = Dead, MD = Moribund, P = Poor, M = Moderate, G = Good
<b>General Observations and Comments:</b>	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.
<b>Management Recommendations:</b>	Either Preliminary or In Consideration of the Proposal - In the case of Arboricultural Constraints Surveys the recommended management works only take existing site and tree circumstances and conditions into account and not proposed developments. Arboricultural Impact Assessment and Method Statement related Surveys take the proposed development into consideration with recommendations made accordingly. More than one option may be given if considered appropriate
<b>ERC:</b>	Estimated Remaining Contribution - in years as per BS5837:2012 (i.e. <10, 10+, 20+, 40+)
<b>Cat. Grade:</b>	Category Grading - tree retention value listed as U, A, B or C - in accordance with BS5837:2012 Table 1
<b>RPA m²:</b>	Root Protection Area in m² - calculated area around the tree that must be appropriately protected throughout the development process in order avoid root damage
<b>RPA Radius (m):</b>	Root Protection Area Radius - in metres measured from the centre of the stem to the line of tree protection
<b># (Estimated Dimensions):</b>	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

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T6	Apple	7	180	N E S W	2 2 2 4	N/A 2	SM	M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Stem divides into multiple primary branches from a height of approximately 1.5m.</li><li>Canopy displaying signs of a moderate reduction in vitality.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Remove tree in order to construct development as proposed.</li></ul>	10+	C1	15	2.16
T7	Paper Birch	16	380	N E S W	4 6 8 7	2-N 5	SM	G	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>North-eastern canopy slightly suppressed by neighbouring tree T8.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Retain tree in context of proposed development.</li><li>Ensure protection of tree's RPA and crown throughout development through establishment of CEZ in accordance with appended temporary fencing specification.</li><li>Construct proposed driveway where it encroaches within tree's RPA using a 3d cellular confinement system in accordance with s7.4 of BS5837:2012. (see appended manufacturer's brochure and Tree Impact Plan). NB: Works to construct hard-surface in tree's RPA should be carried out in accordance with an Arboricultural Method Statement, the provision of which can be assured through the imposition of suitably worded condition appended to a planning approval.</li></ul>	20+	B1/2	65	4.56
T8	Magnolia	4.5	1x190 1x170 1x100 (ms)	N E S W	3.5 4 4 3.5	N/A 2	SM	G	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Multi-stemmed from a height of approximately 1m.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Remove tree in order to construct development as proposed.</li></ul>	20+	B2	34	3.29
T9	Wild Cherry	9	310	N E S W	0 6.5 5 5	3-E 3	SM	M/P	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Exposed roots approximately 3m from north side of stem.</li><li>Moderate stem lean south-west.</li><li>Stem divides into multiple stems from a height of approximately 2m, with tight unions.</li><li>Significantly reduced northern canopy, possibly due to suppression from previously removed neighbouring tree.</li><li>Canopy displaying a moderate reduction in vitality, with moderate amount of deadwood up to approximately 100mm in diameter.</li><li>Short projected remaining life expectancy of less than 10 years.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Remove tree in order to construct development as proposed.</li></ul>	<10	U	43	3.72

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H1	Leyland Cypress	≤ 4	≤ 150#	≈ 3 wide	N/A	SM	G	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Length of managed hedge adjacent to boundary fence.</li> <li>Understood to be within ownership boundaries.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remove hedge in context of proposed development under clients' request.</li> <li>Replace hedge with new Cherry Laurel hedge as per client's request.</li> </ul>	10+	C2	N/A	≈ 1.5
H2	Leyland Cypress	≤ 3	≤ 150#	≈ 3 wide	N/A	SM	G	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Length of managed hedge adjacent to boundary fence.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retain hedge in context of proposed development.</li> <li>Ensure protection of hedge throughout development through establishment of CEZ in accordance with appended temporary fencing specification.</li> </ul>	10+	C2	N/A	≈ 1.5
H3	Cherry Laurel	≤ 2	≤ 150#	≈ 3 wide	N/A	SM	G	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Length of managed hedge located on neighbouring land.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retain hedge in context of proposed development.</li> <li>Ensure protection of hedge throughout development through establishment of CEZ in accordance with appended temporary fencing specification.</li> </ul>	10+	C2	N/A	≈ 1.5

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

Category and definition	Criteria (including subcategories where appropriate)			Identification on plan
Trees unsuitable for retention (see Note)				
<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 style="list-style-type: none"><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> <i>Note: Category U trees can have existing or potential conservation value which it might be desirable to preserve; see BS5837:2012 paragraph 4.5.7.</i>			Red
	1. Mainly arboricultural qualities	2. Mainly landscape qualities	3. Mainly cultural values, including conservation	
Trees to be considered for retention				
<b>Category A</b>  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
<b>Category B</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
<b>Category C</b>  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	Trees present in groups or woodlands, but without this conferring on them significantly greater landscape value, and/or trees offering low or only temporary screening benefit	Trees with very limited conservation or other cultural benefits	Grey
	Note – Whilst C category trees will usually not be retained where they would impose a significant constraint on development, young trees with a stem diameter of less than 150mm should be considered for relocation			



## **- 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;
2. be retained in place throughout the development process until completion of the project, and only removed following receipt of written permission from the LPA;
3. 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;
4. be erected prior to any construction, demolition or excavation works and remain in place for the duration of the project;
5. preclude any delivery of site accommodation and/or materials and/or plant machinery;
6. 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;
7. preclude the storage of all development related materials and substances including fuels, oils, additives, cement and/or any other deleterious substance; and
8. 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.
9. 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 MUST BE OBSERVED BY ALL PERSONNEL:

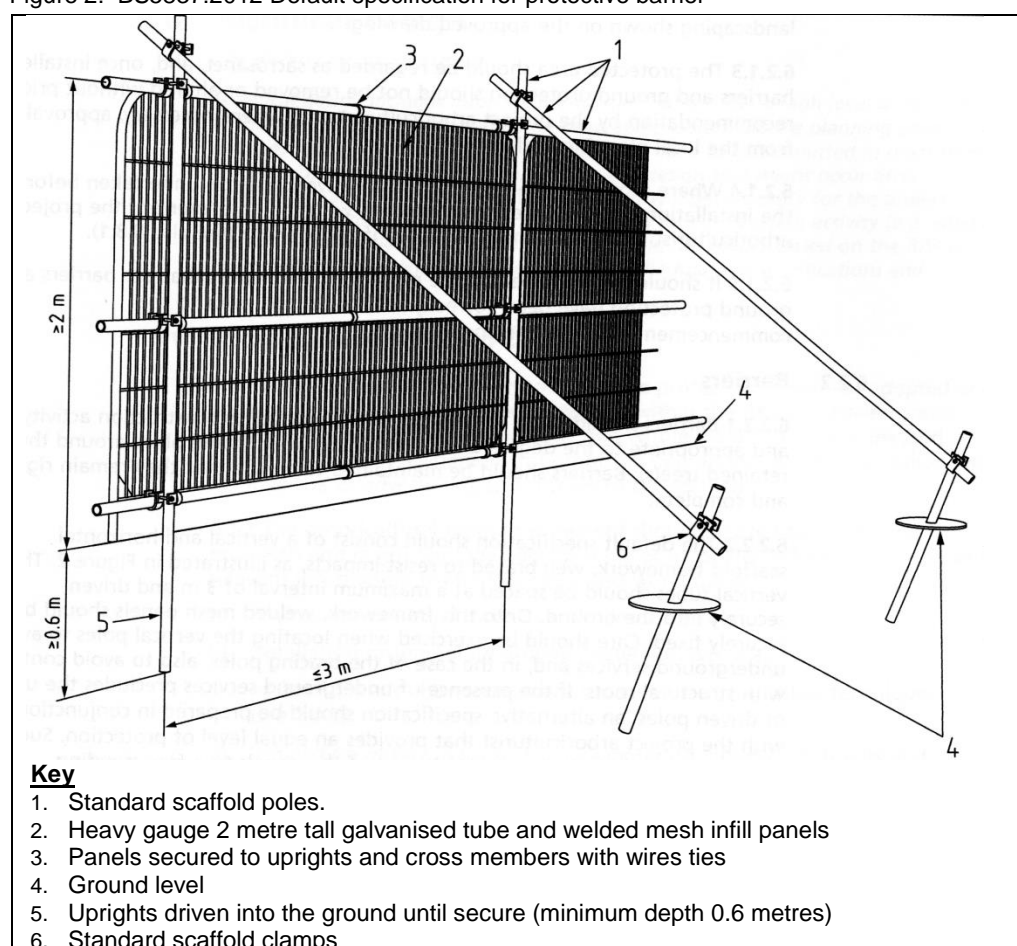
- THE PROTECTIVE FENCING MUST NOT BE MOVED
- NO PERSON SHALL ENTER THE CONSTRUCTION EXCLUSION ZONE
- NO MACHINE, PLANT OR VEHICLES SHALL ENTER THE EXCLUSION ZONE
- NO MATERIALS SHALL BE STORED IN THE EXCLUSION ZONE
- NO SPOIL SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN THE EXCLUSION ZONE
- NO EXCAVATION SHALL OCCUR IN THE 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.

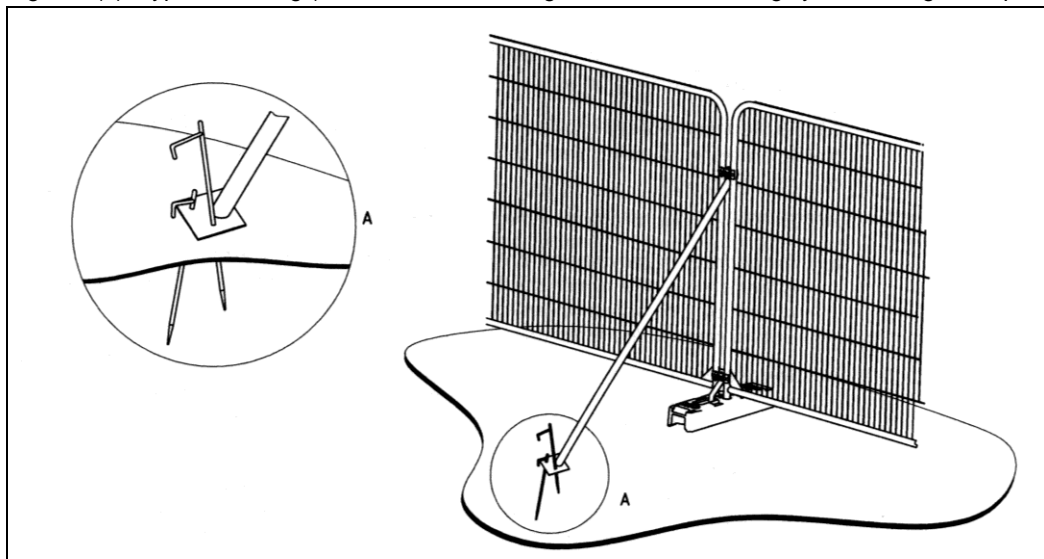
Figure 2: BS5837:2012 Default specification for protective barrier



### **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.

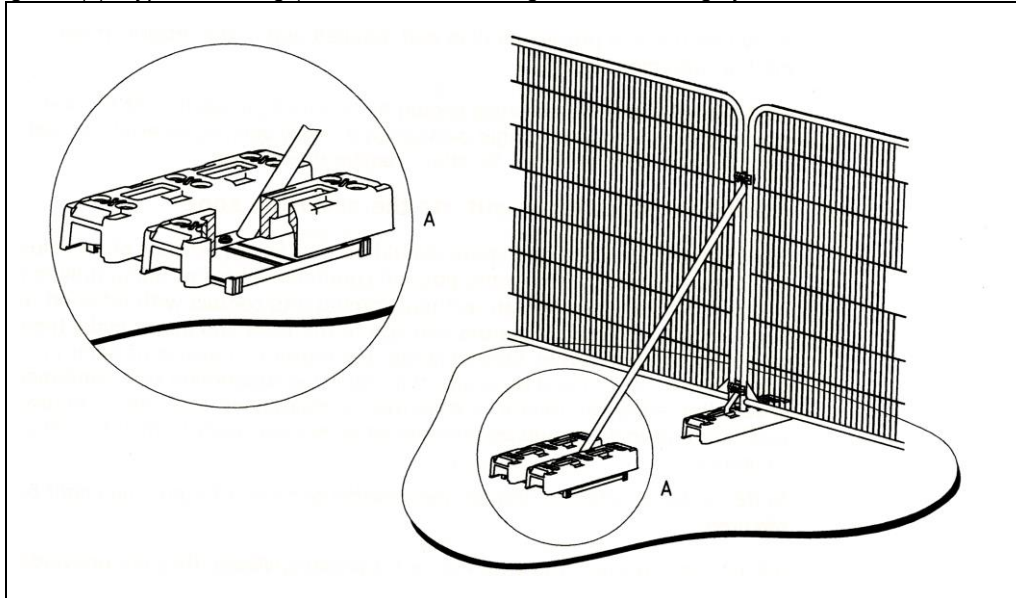
Figure 3(a): Type 2 Fencing (BS5837:2012 above-ground strut stabilising system with ground pins)



### **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.

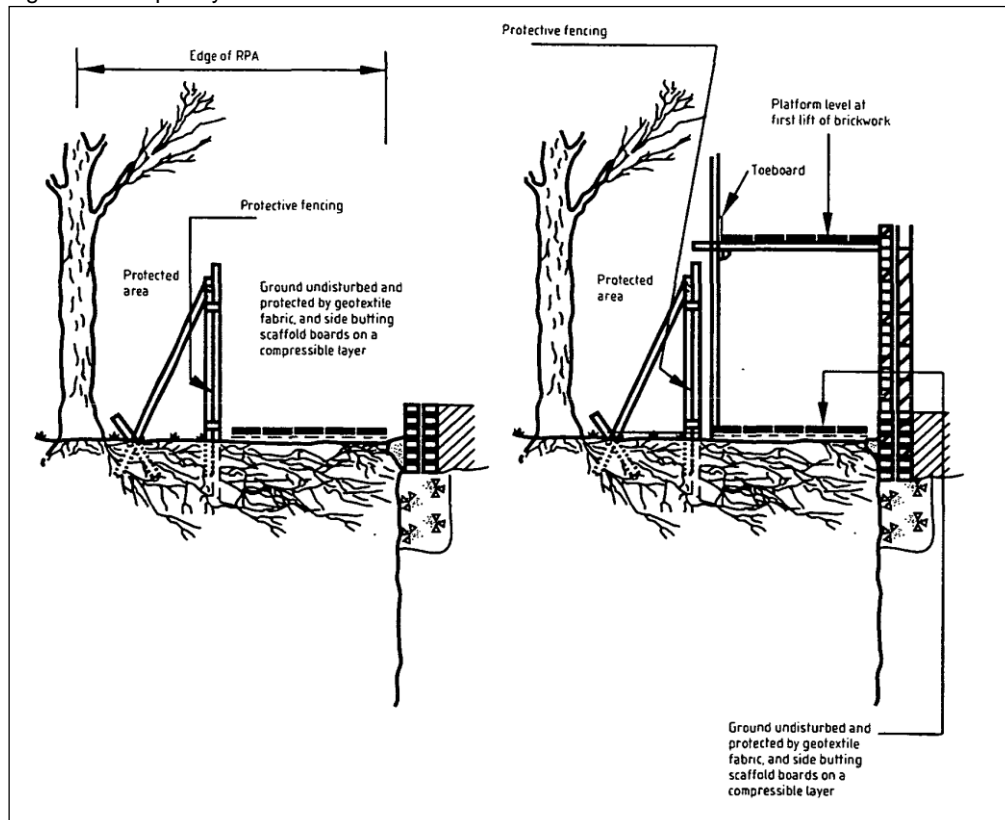
Figure 3(b): Type 3 Fencing (BS5837:2012 above-ground stabilising system with strut on block tray)



### Temporary Ground Protection

1. Any necessary Temporary Ground Protection areas shall conform to Figure 4, below, unless otherwise agreed with the LPA.
2. 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.
3. Side-butting scaffold boards shall then be fitted to cover the Ground Protection Area.
4. 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.
5. The Temporary Ground Protection shall remain in place until completion of the project and only removed following receipt of written permission from the LPA.

Figure 4: Temporary Ground Protection – Recommended Construction







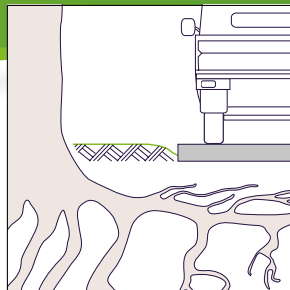
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# THE PROBLEM

## CONSTRUCTION-RELATED TREE DAMAGE

Critical Root Zone/Tree Protection Zone is the minimum area beneath a tree that must remain undisturbed to preserve a sufficient amount of root mass in order to give a tree a chance of survival.

When construction equipment and vehicles intrude a tree's Critical Root Zone, they can cause negative impacts to the soil environment including compaction of the soil, damage to near-surface roots and ultimately endanger the structural integrity of the tree. The majority of a tree's root system is contained within the top three feet of the surface, and construction excavation and compaction can damage or even destroy roots to the point where trees may not survive.

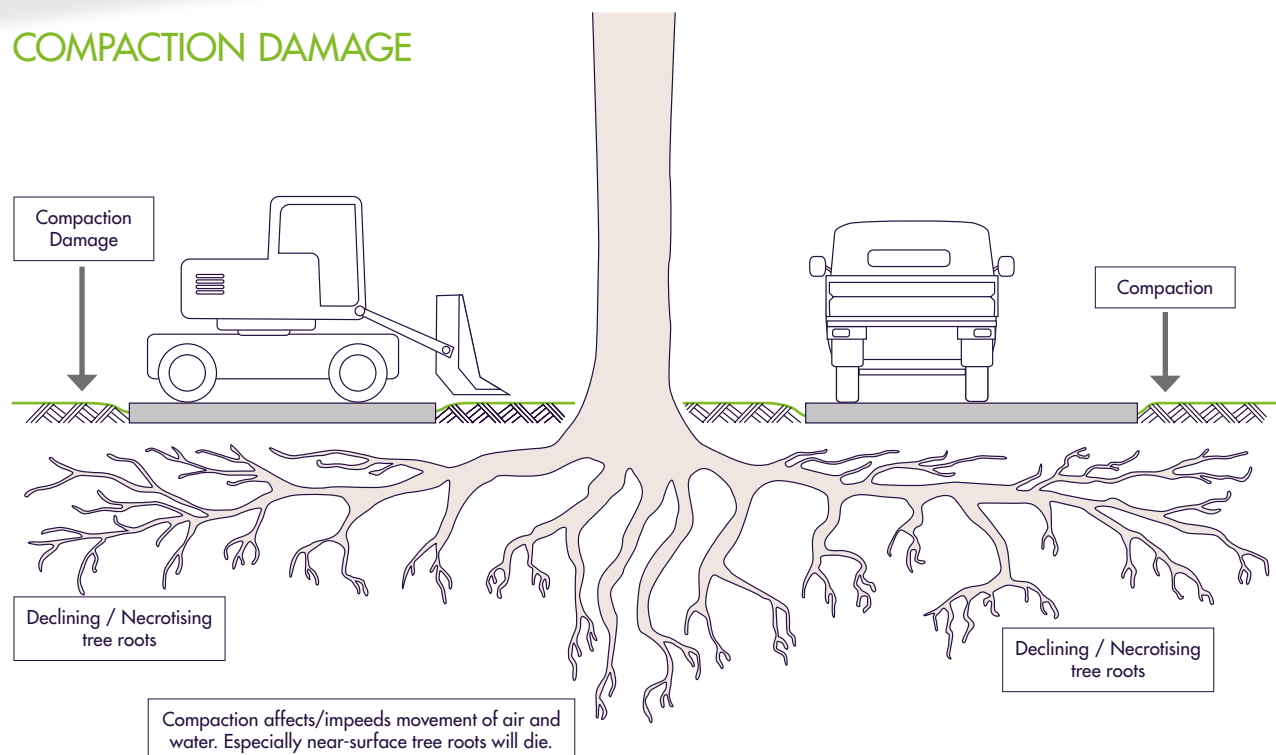
Tree Root Protection (TRP) systems should be eco-friendly as well as comply with local standards and regulations.\*

### \*Compliance with Standards:

In the United Kingdom, Tree Root Protection systems must comply with the Arboricultural Method Statement as outlined in BS5837:2005 and may require supervision by an Arboriculturist.



## COMPACTION DAMAGE





# THE GEOWEB® SOLUTION

## TREE ROOT PROTECTION (TRP) SYSTEM

Used extensively in civil engineering construction for over 30 years, the GEOWEB® system is a three-dimensional structure that:

- provides strength to confined soils
- distributes loads laterally, not vertically
- reduces point loads
- reduces compaction of the subsoil

Manufactured from high quality, high-strength polyethylene with a textured surface and perforated walls, GEOWEB® cells with selected infill control shearing, lateral and vertical movement, and reduce subbase depth requirements.

The GEOWEB® system is a low impact development (LID) solution with exceptional load-bearing capabilities and environmental benefits. The system has a long history of solving heavy load support problems for roadways, road base support, parking lots, road shoulders, ports, trucking/intermodal terminals and railroads.

## COST BENEFITS

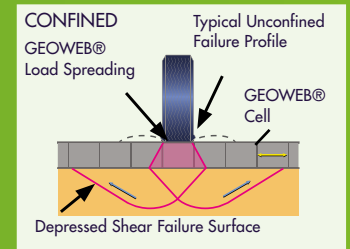
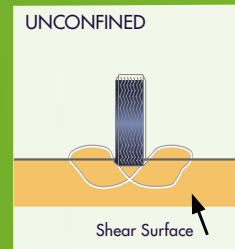
The GEOWEB® TRP system is an economical solution for reducing construction vehicle impact to the tree root zone compared with other methods. Once installed, the system has minimal-to-no visibility.

## ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS

With permeable infill (topsoil/vegetation, aggregate, sand), perforated GEOWEB® cell walls offer environmental benefits:

- water infiltration
- lateral movement of air and water
- water and nutrient migration
- promotes root development

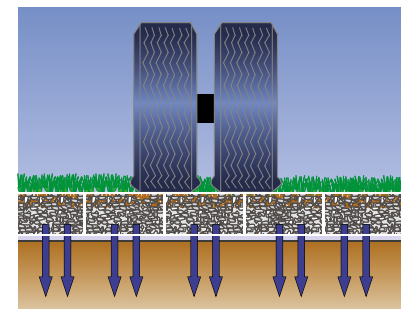
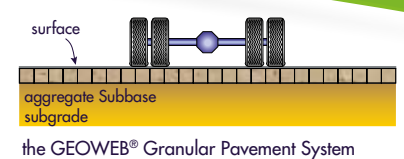
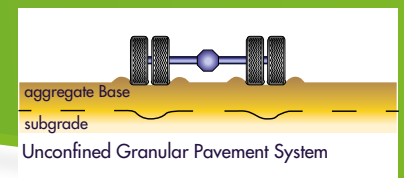
The tree root protection system can be a temporary or permanent solution.



## LOAD DISTRIBUTION

By distributing and bridging applied loads, the GEOWEB® TRP system reduces vertical stresses that are typically applied to the underlying soil and root zone.

The GEOWEB® system is ideally suited for tree root protection applications where weak subsoil or no-dig restrictions exist.



# GEOWEB®

## TRP SYSTEM INSTALLATION

Step 1: Remove the upper grass and soft soils by hand or by machine if acceptable.

Step 2: Install a high-strength woven geotextile allowing adequate drainage as a separation layer between soft subgrade and GEOWEB® infill material.

Step 3: Expand GEOWEB® sections over the area to be protected and use temporary stakes or weights to hold sections open to prevent movement during infilling.

Step 4: Connect adjacent sections using ATRA® Keys. Position the sections so the slots are aligned, insert the key and turn 90 degrees locking the panels together. ATRA® Keys provide a long-term connection that is safer, quicker and stronger than staples or cable ties. In environmentally protected areas (SSSI in United Kingdom), ATRA® Keys can be used without the requirement for diesel-fueled compressors.

Step 5: For permeability, infill the fully connected GEOWEB® system with a well graded, crushed, angular stone such as MOT Type 1X (also known as MOT Type3). Over fill the cells by up to 30mm to allow for compaction.

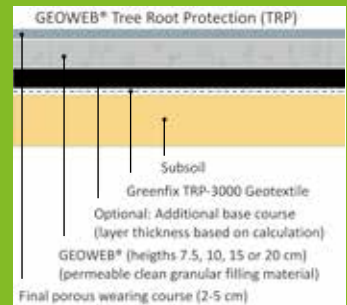
Step 6: Compact the fill material with conventional plant or non-vibratory plant when required. Fill should be maintained above the GEOWEB® system by a minimum of 10mm at all times or a permanent wearing course of blocks, porous asphalt or gravel installed.



## DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

It is important to ensure the correct GEOWEB® cell size and cell depth are specified and installed based on the anticipated pavement loads. These are calculated based on the following criteria:

- traffic type and loading
- frequency of traffic
- subgrade strength (typically CBR, Ev2, Cu or SPT values)
- infill type
- allowable settlement of the pavement



To assist you in determining the correct GEOWEB® solution for your application, Presto GEOSYSTEMS® or their network of distributors/representatives can assist with the calculation for your project. You can be confident that you will receive the most suitable and economical solution for your project.

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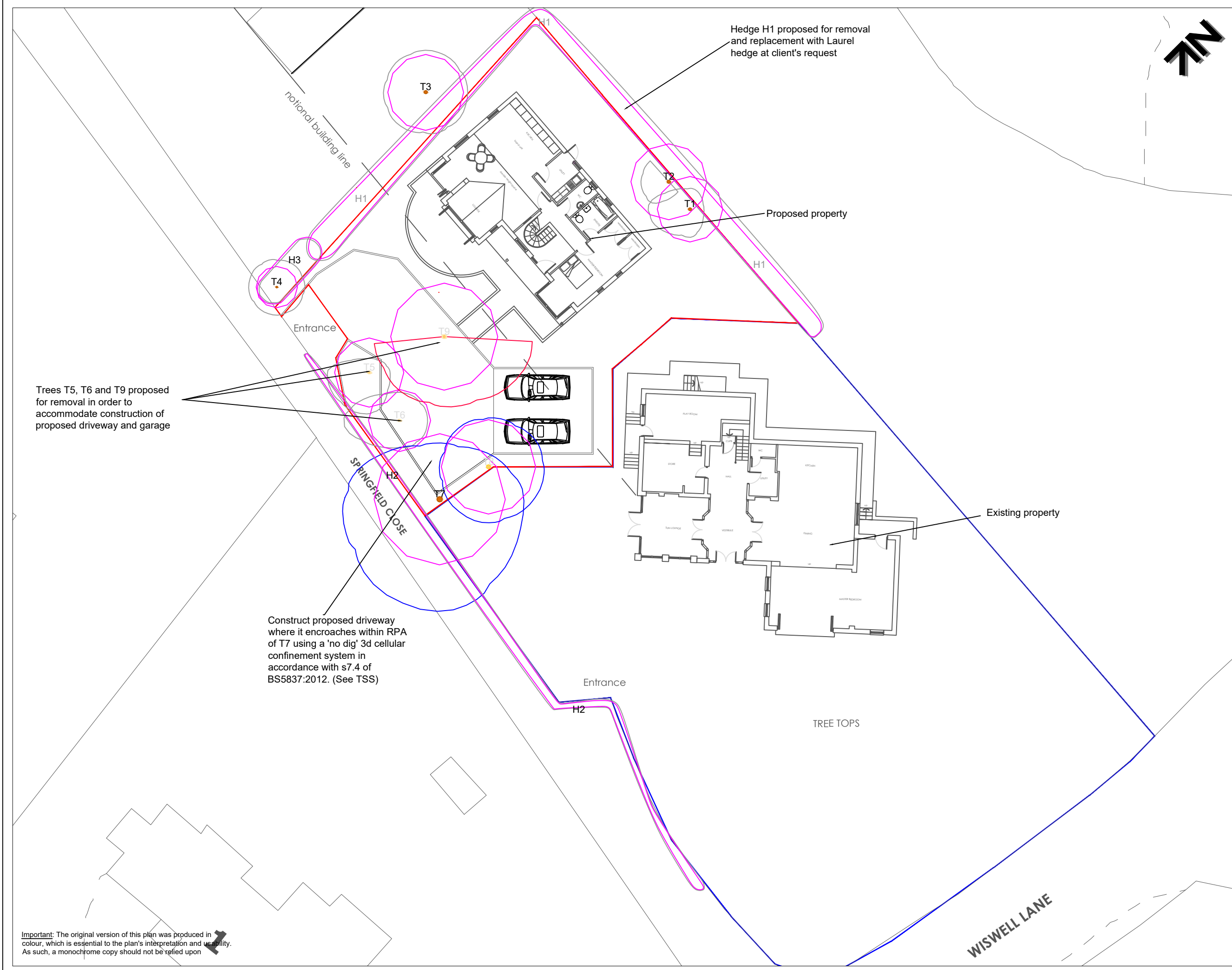
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**KEY**  
 T = Individual Tree  
 H = Hedge

Please refer to associated Tree Survey Schedule and appendices for specific details in respect of items below:

**Tree Categorisations:**  
 Those to be Considered for Retention:  

Category 'A' Tree/Hedge  
*Those of a High Quality with an Estimated Remaining Life Expectancy of at Least 40 Years*

Category 'B' Tree/Hedge  
*Those of a Moderate Quality with an Estimated Remaining Life Expectancy of at Least 20 Years*

Category 'C' Tree/Hedge  
*Those of Low Quality with an Estimated Remaining Life Expectancy of at Least 10 Years, or Young Trees*

 Those Considered Unsuitable for Retention:  

Category 'U' Tree/Hedge  
*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*

Note: The locations of the trees were not included on the OS base site plan provided, and were subsequently plotted by the arboriculturist at the time of the survey, using GPS and, where possible, measurement from existing site features. As such, the locations of these trees and groups cannot therefore be considered to be entirely accurate

Note 2: Trees with their identifying numbers labelled in grey are proposed for removal in the context of the proposed development

**Root Protection Areas (RPAs):**  

 RPAs  
 Area(s) of Ground Around Trees that Should be Protected Throughout Development Works with Protective Fencing to form a Construction Exclusion Zone - see Temporary Protective Fencing Specification

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 TREE TOPS  
 WISWELL LANE  
 WHALLEY  
 LANCASHIRE  
 BB7 9AF

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 in Relation to Proposed Construction of Detached Residential Property

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