



DUCKWORTHS
ARBORICULTURE

Arboricultural Supervision & Site Inspection

Location: Carnival Place, Wellington Road, Wokingham, Berkshire RG40 2AF

Date of visit: 4th March 2025

Scheduled / Unscheduled

Persons present: Sarah Duckworth (SD) - Duckworths Arboriculture James Stark – Feltham Construction, Tom Pirton – Green Tips (Tree Surgeon)

Development Stage: Phase 2 – Part 2 (**Residential Construction & Associated Landscaping works at Carnival Place**)

Photos taken? YES (4 – attached)

Site visit no:

TREE SURGERY

A pre-arranged site visit was undertaken to meet the Arboricultural Contractors ahead of the facilitative tree works to remove low grade trees along the northwest boundary and to raise the canopies of the protected trees where they overhang the new parking spaces.

The tree surgeon is Mr. Tom Pirton. At the meeting we walked the length of the treed boundary and agreed on site each individual tree to be removed. I also showed him on site which trees are subject of a TPO.

It was confirmed that works to the TPO trees would be the minimum required to create necessary clearance over the parking spaces.

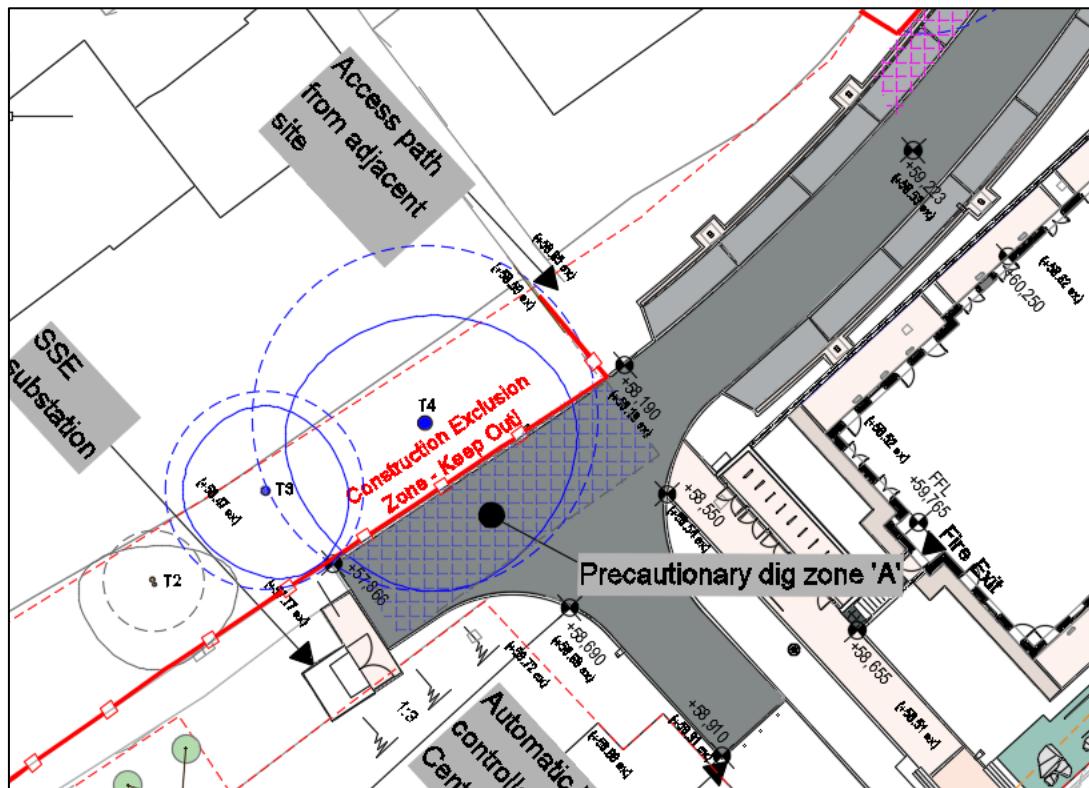
OTHER MATTERS

The following deviations from the approved Arboricultural Works Methodology are required to be rectified within 7 days:

- Tree Protection Fencing has been removed along the northwest edge of the site but not reinstated as agreed in my previous report. In some areas the Heras fencing has been removed and replaced with crown barriers. These barriers do not meet the requirements of BS:5837 and The needs to be rectified within 7 days.

- Storage of materials and spoil within the Construction Exclusion Zone needs to be removed.
- Temporary ground protection within the pedestrian footpath should be removed
- ‘Temporary’ soil infill of the boundary ditch needs to be removed.

I also note that there has been uncontrolled mechanical excavation within the root protection area of TPO tree T4 (Oak). This area was designated as a precautionary dig zone 'A' and any work in this area is required to be undertaken with Arboricultural Supervision. Unfortunately, I was not informed about the work.



NEXT STEPS:

1. SD – Arboricultural Consultant will be returning to site within 2-3 weeks to review fencing / temporary ground protection and ensure it is correctly located and fit for purpose.
2. SD to write Part 2 of the AMS – further information required on the infill of the ditch.
3. Confirmation required as to whether a root barrier is required or necessary along the edge of the parking bays near to trees T8, T9 & T13. SD has advised that this would cause unacceptable severance to tree roots close to trees. Therefore, the recommendation is that the root barrier is not installed in these areas. The installation of a root barrier is possible within the RPA of T7A (Oak) as it can be installed within the porous ditch infill and as such will not require any excavation.

4. It has been agreed that the car charging points will not be installed but that ducts will be laid under the parking bays in case future occupants require a car charging point. In several areas electric ducts are located close to trees. They need to be installed at a depth of 600mm. Trenching for the electrical ducts will be undertaken by hand within the RPA of trees T13 & T7A.

Appointed Arboricultural Supervisor:

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Photo Notes:

- 1) Mechanical excavation within RPA of T4 (Oak)
- 2) Tree Protection Fencing not present and needs to be reinstated
- 3) Storage of materials within the designated 'Construction Exclusion Zone' to be removed
- 4) Spoil infill within RPA of trees.

PHOTOS:



Photo 1



Photo 2



Photo 3



Photo 4

ANNOTATED SITE PLAN SHOWING AMENDMENTS TO TREE PROTECTION:

