



DUCKWORTHS
ARBORICULTURE

Arboricultural Supervision & Site Inspection

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

Date of visit: 11th September 2025

Scheduled / Unscheduled

Persons present: Sarah Duckworth (SD) - Duckworths Arboriculture Ltd.

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

Photos taken? YES (4 – attached)

Site visit no:

WORKS

Works are being undertaken to complete the landscaping works within the treed area along the northern boundary of the site.

AREAS OF CONCERN

The no-dig roadway extension within the RPA of T4 has not yet been completed, however there is a build up of hard core in this area.

Tree Protection Fencing along the eastern end of the site has been removed and / or breached and is not fit for purpose.

Landscape materials are currently being stored within the root protection areas of retained trees causing compaction of the soil. Soil compaction can severely damage trees by restricting root growth, limiting water and nutrient uptake, and potentially leading to decline or even death. Compaction reduces the pore space in the soil, which is essential for oxygen and water to reach the roots. This can lead to a cascade of negative effects, including reduced growth, increased susceptibility to pests and diseases, and decreased stability.

Low canopies of trees including trees subject of the TPO are being struck by passing vehicles causing dead and broken hanging branches.

The canopy of a TPO Sycamore (T2 of TPO 1716/2020) is showing symptoms of physiological stress and decline.

REMEDIATION

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

- Hardcore within the no-dig roadway extension should be removed ahead of the road construction with a cellular-confinement subbase and porous surface.
- Tree Protection Fencing should be reinstated along the northern boundary in accordance with the agreed Tree Protection Plan.
- Storage of materials and spoil within the designated Construction Exclusion Zones need to be removed. These areas are sacrosanct and should be excluded from all works in relation to the build in order to protect tree roots.
- Care should be taken to prevent further damage to the low crowns of TPO trees. Broken / cut branches should be pruned out of damaged trees (a TPO application is required for these works).
- Consideration should be given to the removal of TPO Sycamore (T2 of TPO 1716/2020) and planting a replacement tree as part of the enhanced landscaping scheme.

Appointed Arboricultural Supervisor:

SARAH DUCKWORTH

DipArb(RFS),TechCert(ArborA),M. Arbor.A, BA (Hons)

LANTRA Professional Tree Inspector

E: sarahduckworth@hotmail.com

Tel: 07810 440546



Photo Notes:

- 1) New landscaping / topsoil within the treed area
- 2) Storage of materials within the designated 'Construction Exclusion Zone' to be removed & Tree Protection Fencing reinstated
- 3) Broken branches of trees where struck by construction vehicles
- 4) Protected Sycamore in decline

PHOTOS:

