

Arboricultural Method Statement

This method statement is a working document which aims to provide effective specifications for tree-sensitive operations and thus to minimise impacts on retained trees. It must be retained on site and be available to the site manager/foreman as a reference during construction.

If any changes are made to the proposed development or any of the working methods are found to be impracticable, then the method statement must be reviewed in consultation with the project arboriculturist.

This method statement may include work to protected trees, consent for which is not required so far as such work is necessary to implement a planning permission.

Failure to comply with this arboricultural method statement could result in enforcement action being taken by the local planning authority.

Tree Protection Fencing

Tree protection fencing, complying with British Standard 5837:2012 'Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction - Recommendations', must be erected in the position shown on the plan prior to commencement of work on site and remain as an effective barrier and in position until the end of the construction phase or until the project arboriculturist, or local planning authority provides written authority for its removal.

See illustration below for fencing specification.

Temporary Ground Protection

Prior to the commencement of any work on the site temporary ground protection must be laid in the area shown on the plan. Here, ground protection must consist of inter-linked ground protection boards placed on top of a compression-resistant layer (e.g. 150 mm depth of woodchip), laid onto a geotextile membrane. The woodchip must be retained with timber edging to prevent migration during use. This protection must remain in position until the end of the construction phase or until the project arboriculturist, or local planning authority provides written authority for its removal.

Note - The above specification is only suitable for construction machinery up to 2 tonnes in weight. This area must not be used by larger machinery or by delivery or contractors' vehicles.

See illustration below for ground protection specification.

Pre-Commencement Site Meeting

A pre-commencement site meeting must be held at which the site manager, the project arboriculturist and, if required by condition, a representative from the local planning authority are present to discuss the tree protection measures.

General Construction Management

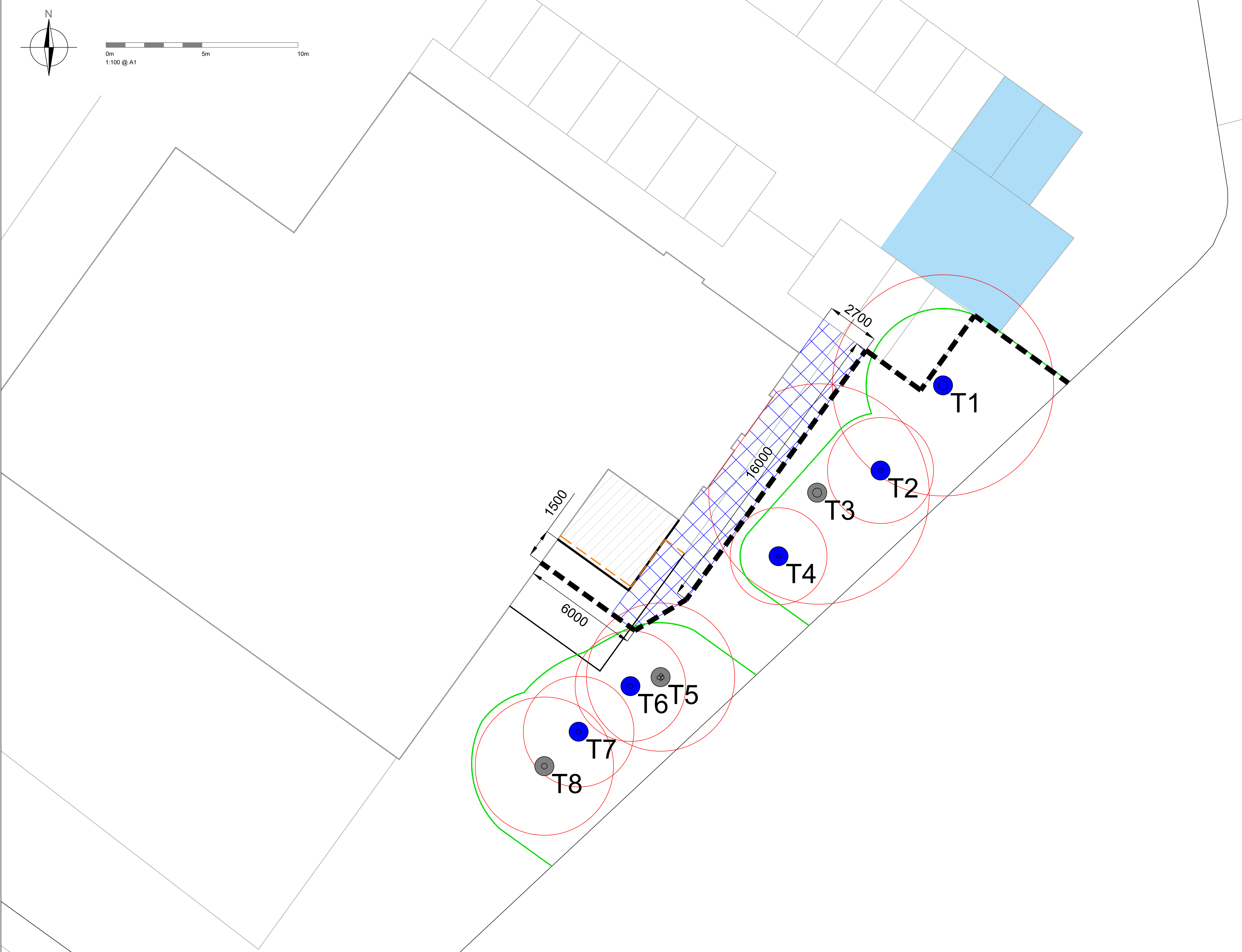
There must be no changes to soil levels within tree root protection areas.

A suggested area for material storage, site office and worker facilities is shown on the plan. Final siting of site cabins must be discussed and agreed at the time of the pre-commencement site meeting.

Fires must not be set within the site.

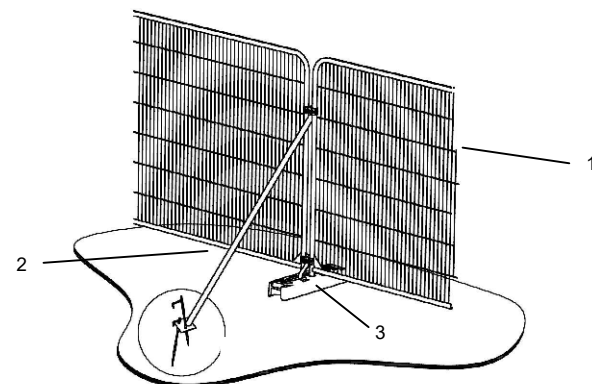
Cement and concrete mixing must be carried out only where there is no significant risk of contamination of tree root systems. If mixing is unavoidable within 10m of any retained tree it must be contained in a bunded area, as illustrated below.

Cranes must only be used where there is no possibility of them damaging overhanging branches.



Title:	Tree Protection Plan & Arboricultural Method Statement				Plan TC1
Site:	Maxon House				
TC Ref:	DS/33425/AC				
Date:	14 April 2025				
Scale:	1:100 @ A1				
Key:	Trees to be removed are shown with dashed crown spreads and root protection areas				
British Standard 5837:2012 Categories					
	'A' category trees are those of high quality.				
	'B' category trees are those of moderate quality.				
	'C' category trees are those of low quality or young trees with a stem diameter below 150mm.				
	'U' category trees are those that are unsuitable for retention.				
Existing features to be retained.					
Existing features to be removed.					
Proposed features.					
Tree protection fencing to be erected prior to the commencement of any works on the site.					
Temporary ground protection to be installed prior to the commencement of any works on the site.					
Suggested area for materials storage and worker facilities.					
Supervision of Arboriculturally Sensitive Operations					
The project arboriculturist must supervise or be involved at the following points in the construction process:					
Pre-commencement site meeting.					
Planning of underground services.					
As any other arboricultural issues arise.					
Contact Details for Relevant Parties					
Role	Company / Organisation	Name	Phone Number		
Contractor					
Architect	Lionel Gregory	Camilo Sandoval	01202 723157		
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Arboricultural Officer	Wokingham Borough Council		0118 974 6000		

Tree Protection Fencing Specification



Key:

- Heavy gauge 2m tall galvanized tube and welded mesh panels.
- Panels braced with diagonal struts, secured in place with road pins or similar.
- Rubber boots secured in place with road pins or similar.

Temporary Ground Protection Specification

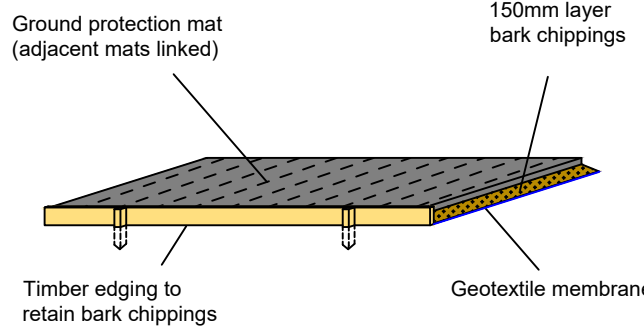
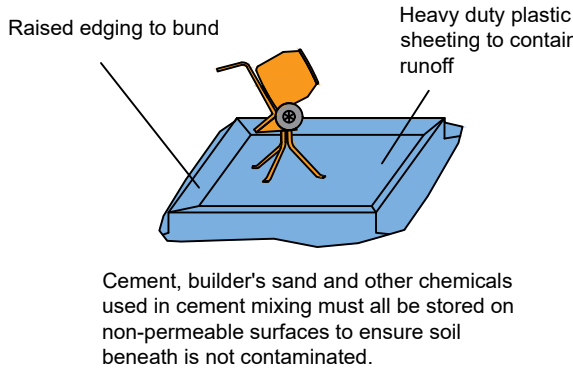


Illustration of bunded cement mixing area



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