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The Mortgage Decisions Stadium
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Our Ref: **251703 - Let 3**

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Dear Mr Doswell

Re: Tree Issues at Sholing Football Club, Portsmouth Rd, Southampton

Please find attached an Arboricultural Method Statement and updated tree protection plan (drawing reference 'ECO 9') covering tree protection measures during the construction phase of the above project, including the installation of a drainage pipe within the Root Protection Areas (RPAs) of nearby trees.

Please submit this drawing and covering letter to the council in due course in pursuance of the discharge of condition 20 of planning consent F/26/100816.

Yours sincerely

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Attached: 1: Arboricultural Method Statement
2: Tree Protection Plan

Arboricultural Method Statement for the installation of a drainage pipe at Sholing Football Club

1 Introduction

- This method statement covers the excavation of a drainage pipe where this passes through the Root Protection Areas (RPAs) of nearby trees.

2. Objectives

- To avoid damage to significant tree roots, especially those with a diameter >25mm.
- To preserve the long term health, wellbeing, stability and value of retained trees.
- To ensure works proceed in accordance with arboricultural best practice and any planning conditions imposed by the council.

3.Tree Protection Measures

- The existing tree protection measures are to remain in position throughout the works as per the attached Tree Protection Plan (drawing reference 'ECO 8') unless otherwise agreed with the Local Planning Authority (LPA).

4. Method of Installation

- The service line will be set out and marked with line marker paint. Pipe depth and width to be confirmed against the approved plans.
- All operatives to be briefed on this method statement via 'toolbox talk' before work commences.
- The excavating machine (<2t on rubber tracks) will be fitted with a smooth (toothless) grading/ditching bucket, with toothed buckets prohibited from being used within RPAs.
- The top layers of soil will be 'graded off' in shallow layers (maximum 100mm per pass), working under the direction of the banksman and arboricultural supervisor at all times.
- The banksman/supervisor will visually inspect the ground after each layer is graded off, checking for tree roots.
- If a tree root is encountered, machine excavation will STOP immediately in that location. That section will then be excavated by hand only, using an air spade and hand operated tools to carefully expose any tree roots.
- Exposed roots of 25mm diameter or greater will be retained and worked around wherever practicable. Roots will not be cut without prior approval from the project arboriculturist; where cutting is approved, roots will be cut cleanly with a sharp pruning saw or secateurs back to a live junction point.
- Exposed roots that are to be retained will be protected from drying out by wrapping with wet hessian or other covering until backfill.

- Backfill will be undertaken on the same day wherever possible. This will be undertaken in layers, with soil hand placed and hand compacted around retained roots (with no mechanical compaction over any tree roots).

5. Supervision and Monitoring

- The Site Manager will hold overall responsibility for the works and will brief this method statement to all operatives prior to commencement, with the project arboricultural supervisor being present during all critical stages,
- A record of monitoring visits, including photos and notes, will be maintained and shared with all interested parties and LPA as required.

Indicative North

G12-1 OAK DBH 15*
G12-2 OAK DBH 23*
G12-3 OAK DBH 25*
G12-4 HOLLY DBH 11
G12-5 OAK DBH 110*
G12-6 OAK DBH 20*
G12-7 OAK DBH 12*
G12-8 ASH DBH 7
G12-9 OAK DBH 94
G12-10 OAK DBH 64
G12-11 HOLLY DBH 15*
G12-12 OAK DBH 69
G12-13 OAK DBH 59
G12-14 HAW DBH 14
G12-15 HAW DBH 13

G11-1 OAK DBH 75
G11-2 OAK DBH 61
G11-3 HAW DBH 20+38
G11-4 OAK DBH 68
G11-5 CHERRY DBH 13
G11-6 OAK DBH 10+10+9

G10 HAW & CHERRY DBH 20* AVG

G5-1 HAWTHORN DBH 35*
G5-2 HOLLY DBH 15+15+10*
G5-3 LAWSON CYPRESS DBH 18* AVG
G5-4 CHERRY DBH 10

G4-1 OAK DBH 18
G4-2 OAK DBH 20
G4-3 OAK DBH 21
G4-4 OAK DBH 15
G4-5 OAK DBH 17

G6-1 OAK DBH 36+25+30
G6-2 OAK DBH 39+27+15
G6-3 OAK DBH 36
G6-4 OAK DBH 29
G6-5 OAK DBH 20
G6-6 OAK DBH 25
G6-7 OAK DBH 26
G6-8 OAK DBH 13

G7-1 LOMBARDY POPLAR DBH 65*
G7-2 LAWSON CYPRESS DBH 20*
G7-3 CHERRY DBH 33*
G7-4 BIRCH DBH 25*
G7-5 BIRCH DBH 28*
G7-6 BIRCH DBH 20*
G7-7 BIRCH DBH 30*
G7-8 BIRCH DBH 22*
G7-9 OAK DBH 45*
G7-10 OAK DBH 20*

T8 OAK DBH 115*

H3 HAWTHORN DBH 9* AVG AT BASE

G2-1 ELDER DBH 6 STEMS @ 10
G2-2 CHERRY DBH 45*
G2-3 CHERRY DBH 7* AVG

G1-1 CHERRY DBH 69@1M
G1-2 CHERRY DBH 66
G1-3 CHERRY DBH 19+16+14+25
G1-4 BIRCH DBH 33
G1-5 BIRCH DBH 18
G1-6 CHERRY DBH 15* AVG

1.22m Tk H
area of sapling trees
area overgrown no access to survey
Sports Ground
HEAD OFFICE FFL: 35.200
PADEL COURTS FFL: 34.015
PADEL COURT CENTRE FFL: 34.015
SEWERAGE TREATMENT PLANT FOR 80PE (SPECIFIED BY THE SUPPLIER) SIZE OF STP TBC. INCOMING HEAD OFFICE FOUL LOCATION AND INVERT LEVEL TBC
DETENTION BASIN
IL (IN) - 32.790
IL (OUT) - 32.790
BASE - 32.790
TOP OF BANK - 33.800
TOP OF WATER - 33.500
Freeboard = 0.300m
27.5m long x 18.0m wide (varies) x 1.01m deep
Total plan area = 440m²
Basin Volume = 340m³
(218m³ at 5-no-100 year + CC storm event)
FOREBAY
Granular bund within basin to form a forebay area. Forebay area is to provide sediment filtration to the surface water prior to it entering the main detension basin area
Hydro-Brake vortex flow control chamber. CTL-SHE-0071-2000-0710-2000. Flow to be limited to 2.0 l/s 0.710m Design Head
Piped network from SW-IC 12 to the ditch headwall does not achieve self-cleansing due to the shallow gradient of the pipe. Therefore, a specific maintenance regime shall be implemented as to negate the risk of pipe blockages due to sediment / debris build-up. Such maintenance taks shall include regular inspections and de-silting as necessary
DRAINAGE SYSTEM - 212m LENGTH OF 100ø PERCOLATING TRENCHES WITH 100ø RIGID PIPE LAID IN GRANULAR MATERIAL AT Qf = 1.20l/s FOR 80 PERSONS WITH Vp=12 TO BE LOCATED A MINIMUM OF 15.0m FROM ANY BUILDING.
ACCESS TO TEMPORARY GRASS PARKING AREA
MOUND TO BE RESHAPED TO ALLOW ACCESS TO TEMPORARY GRASS PARKING AREA
Sports Ground
Parking
Bowling Green
Marquee
football pitch
cricket nets
tennis courts
Sports Pavilion

KEY

Permeable Access / Parking build-up with Type 3 Sub-base. (SEE DETAIL 1)

Detention Basin (see detail)

Surface water drainage pipes

Surface Water Inspection Chamber

R/E Rodding Eye

+33.500 (+33.000) (0.300) Cover level / (formation level) / Type 3 Sub-base thickness

Foul Water Sewer

SCALEBAR 1:250

ecourban ARBORICULTURAL	ECO 9 - UPDATED TREE PROTECTION FOR SHOLING FOOTBALL CLUB, PORTSMOUTH ROAD, SOUTHAMPTON	SCALE: 1:250 @ A0	COMPOSITE PLAN: LAND SURVEY AND DEVELOPMENT IN GREY, WITH DRAINAGE IN COLOUR

This drawing was originally produced in colour, therefore any subsequent monochrome photocopies may not show appropriate levels of detail and should not be relied upon for the purposes of dealing with site tree issues

Tree ID No. Tree species BS Category and sub-cat. No. Estimated remaining life Ligh. = Largest stem diameter in group Aug. = Average stem diameter in group — **BS Category B:** Trees of moderate quality

Tree ID No. Tree species BS Category and sub-cat. No. Estimated remaining life Ligh. = Largest stem diameter in group Aug. = Average stem diameter in group — **BS Category C:** Trees of low quality

Tree ID No. Tree species BS Category and sub-cat. No. Estimated remaining life Ligh. = Largest stem diameter in group Aug. = Average stem diameter in group — **BS Category U:** Trees unsuitable for retention

Root Protection Areas (RPAs): Below ground tree constraints for retained Category B and C trees based on BS 5837 guidance

Tree protection barriers