

Notes:

Tree Constraints/Root zones  
For trees being retained, all construction works need to be planned to occur outside this area

Tag Number  
Category grade  
Actual Crown Spread

BS5837: 2012 - Category Retention Rating

- Category U Trees-**  
Trees in such a condition that any existing value would be lost within 10 years or being recommended for removal sound arboricultural practice.
- Category A Trees**  
Trees of high quality/value with a min. of 40 years life expectancy.
- Category B Trees**  
Trees of moderate quality/value with a min. of 20 years life expectancy.
- Category C Trees**  
Trees of low quality/value with a min. of 10 years life expectancy.

Sub Categories  
1- Mainly Arboricultural values  
2- Mainly Landscape values  
3- Mainly cultural and conservation values.

Tree & hedge vegetation being retained

Trees & Hedge Vegetation being removed.

Trees & hedge vegetation being shown for removal in the planning application for the Moortown Distributor Road.

Schedule of events	
Works	Schedule
Site Meeting	Prior to any construction works commencing.
Tree Works – Felling & Pruning	Prior to any construction works commencing.
Tree Protection	After tree removal and pruning is complete and prior to any construction works commencing. The erection and removal of the protective fencing is to be scheduled in accordance with the phasing of the construction works.
Site Monitoring	Ongoing throughout the construction works.
Removal of Tree P rotection	Once all the main construction works are completed and in order to incorporate the area into the finished development.
Tree Review and Certification	Once all works are complete.

**Tree Protection Detail**

Work Exclusion Zone  
Protective fence line to protect work exclusion zone around trees being retained.

Sample of Type 1 Protective fence detail as per BS 5837 2012.

Key:  
1. Standard scaffold panel  
2. Heavy gauge 2 m tall galvanized tube and welded mesh (RPA panels)  
3. Panels secured to ground and crossmembers with wire ties  
4. Ground level  
5. Sample shown from the ground level (actual depth 0.5 m)  
6. Standard scaffold clamps

Positioning tree protection fencing

RPA = Circle with Radius of Stem Diameter x 12 or as directed by the Employer's Representative

Sample of Type 2 Tree Protective fence

100mm dia. round fence post  
Any length of fencing (including branches or spurs) shall start with a post and end with a post. An additional post shall be provided at fence junctions and at fence corners.  
Signage to be displayed on all protective fences  
Galvanized Cheap Wire fixed to posts by 40 x 4 dia staples  
NOTE: STAPLING POINTS EVERY 7 PANELS

The tree protection fencing is to be erected enclosing the root protection areas around the trees being retained as shown on this drawing and appendix 1. In some areas, the site hoarding may be sufficient to act as the protective fencing if the tree and its root zone are positioned outside and no works are envisaged within the area outside the site hoarding. This will need to be discussed and agreed at the initial site meeting.

Where tree protection fencing is needed, this will need to be 2.3m high and constructed in accordance with figure 2 of BS 5837 2012 (see detail on drawing & appendix 1) using vertical and horizontal scaffold bars or similar wall braced together with the verticals spaced out at a maximum of 3m centres. Onto this, weld mesh panels (harris fence panels) are to be securely fixed with wire or scaffold clamps.

Signs are to be attached to these fences warning people that this is a protective area and that the fencing must be maintained in good condition in accordance with the approved plans and drawings for this development.

Once the protective fence line is erected, then the main construction works can commence on site.

The following is a list of activities that are not allowed within the RPA or within the vicinity of the trees being retained.

- Protect tree root systems from damage caused by runoff or spillage of noxious materials while mixing, placing, or storing construction materials.
- Protect root systems from ponding, eroding, or excessive wetting caused during construction operations.
- Do not store construction materials, debris, or excavated material inside tree protection zones. When excavating, place excavated soil on opposite side of trench away from the tree.
- Do not permit vehicles or foot traffic within tree protection zones; prevent soil compaction over root systems.
- Do not allow fires under or adjacent to remaining trees or other plants.
- Do not attach notice boards, cables or other services to any part of the tree.
- Do not use neighbouring trees as anchor points.
- Do not use high machinery such as tele-ports, cranes or other equipment close to trees to avoid damage to the crown or any other parts.

During the construction works the following is required:

- The main contractor or site manager is to brief all people working on site on the tree protection measures and the procedure if works need to be carried out within these areas.
- Storage of Material, Work Yards and staff car parkings are to be identified on the work drawings prior to the construction works starting. These need to be positioned outside the root protection areas around the trees being retained. The main contractor or site manager is to check the tree protective fencing daily and carry out any repairs required to ensure its stays upright and secure.
- The main contractor or site manager is to liaise with the project Arboriculturist if and when works are to be carried out close to or within the root protection areas around the trees.
- Any works to occur within the protection areas such as landscaping is to be carried out manually with no machinery allowed. All soil and hard landscaping within the Root Protection Area (RPA) of the trees to be retained are to be carried out manually and the soil levels are not to be lowered or raised resulting in root damage to the trees. Recommendations of sections 6 of BS5837 2012 are to be adhered to during the landscaping within the RPA/S of the trees being retained.
- The protective fencing around the trees is to stay in position until all the construction works are complete and are only to be removed following discussions and agreement with the project arborist.

Detail of signage

PROTECTIVE FENCING. THIS FENCING MUST BE MAINTAINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED PLANS AND DRAWINGS FOR THIS DEVELOPMENT.

Sample of ground protection using boarding. See section 6 of BS 5837 for further details.

Edge of RPA  
Protected area  
Protective fencing  
Ground undisturbed and to be protected by geotextile fabric, and side cutting scaffold boards or a compressible layer

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