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TREE SURVEY & CONSTRAINTS PLAN
IN ACCORDANCE WITH BS 5837:2012

Proj. No **8811**	**Land south of Cambridge Road, Milton, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire**
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1.0 Introduction

1.1 Terms of Reference

1.1.1 Hayden's Arboricultural Consultants Limited has been commissioned by Pell Frishmann to prepare a Tree Survey and Constraints Plan for the existing trees at Land south of Cambridge Road, Milton, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire.

1.1.2 The site survey was carried out on the 27th April 2021. The relevant qualitative tree data was recorded in order to assess the condition of the existing trees, their constraints upon the prospective development and the necessary protection required to allow their retention as a sustainable and integral part of any future permitted development.

1.1.3 Information is given on condition, age, size, and indicative positioning of all the trees, both on and affecting the site. This is in accordance with the British Standard 5837:2012 *Trees in relation to design, demolition, and construction - Recommendations.*

1.2 Scope of Works

1.2.1 The survey of the trees and any other factors are of a preliminary nature. The trees were inspected based on the Visual Tree Assessment (VTA) method as developed by Mattheck and Breloer (1994). The trees were inspected from ground level with no climbing inspections undertaken. It is not always possible to access every tree and as such some measurements may have to be estimated. Trees with estimated measurements are highlighted in the schedule of trees. No samples have been removed from the site for analysis. The survey does not cover the arrangements that may be required in connection with the removal of existing underground services.

1.2.2 Whilst this is an arboricultural report, comments relating to non arboricultural matters are given, such as built structures and soil data. Any opinion thus expressed should be viewed as provisional and confirmation from an appropriately qualified professional sought. Such points are clearly identified within the body of the report.

1.2.3 An intrinsic part of tree inspection in relation to development is the assessment of risk associated with trees near persons and property. Most human activities involve a degree of risk with such risks being commonly accepted if the associated benefits are perceived to be commensurate. In general, the risk relating to trees tends to increase with the age of the trees concerned, as do the benefits. It will be deemed to be accepted by the client that the formulation of the recommendations for all tree management will be guided by the cost-benefit analysis (in terms of amenity), of the tree work.

1.3 Documentation

1.3.1 The following documentation was provided prior to the commencement of the production of this report;

- Email of instruction from Mr Hitchens dated 08/04/21.
- Definition of site boundary.
- Topographical survey (Drawing no. J0035886-21-01 & 2).

2.0 The Site

2.1 Site Overview

2.1.1 The site is a vacant parcel of land surrounded by trees and vegetative cover. The land is accessed off (mini roundabout at Tesco Superstore Milton) and features embankments on the northern, western, and southern aspects. The site is bordered to the north by Cambridge Road, to the east by Cambridge Road, to the south by the A14 dual carriageway, and to the west by the Milton Interchange roundabout.

2.2 Soils

2.2.1 The soils type commonly associated with this site are freely draining lime-rich loams. They are of moderate fertility and mainly support herb-rich chalk and limestone pastures, and lime-rich deciduous woodland type habitats. This soil type constitutes approximately 3.7% the total English land mass.

2.2.2 The data given was obtained from a desk top study which provides indications of likely soil types. By definition, this information is not comprehensive and therefore any decisions taken with regards the management, usage or construction on site should be based on a detailed soil analysis.

2.2.3 Further to item 2.2.2, this report provides no information on soil shrinkability. It may be necessary for practitioners in other disciplines (e.g. engineers considering foundation design) to obtain this data as required.

2.3 Statutory Tree Protection

2.3.1 Hayden's Arboricultural Consultants Limited have been informed that at the *date of the tree inspection* the trees concerned were not located within a Conservation Area or the subject of a Tree Preservation Order. As such, no written permission would be required from the local planning authority South Cambridgeshire District Council prior to commencing works to trees. It should be noted however, that South Cambridgeshire District Council have the power to serve Tree Preservation Orders very rapidly, and therefore it is incumbent upon owners, managers or any persons wishing to undertake work to any trees to contact the local planning authority prior to commencing works to ensure that the situation has not changed.

This information was sourced using the Local Planning Authority's Online Mapping System (as instructed by them) and to our best knowledge was current and accurate at the time the information was accessed. We would advise it prudent that before any tree work commences, this is checked directly with the Local Planning Authority to confirm that their online mapping system is definitive.

2.3.2 Felling Licence

All trees within the United Kingdom are protected under the Forestry Acts. In general, anyone felling more than 5 cubic metres of timber in any calendar quarter requires a Felling Licence from the Forestry Commission. There are exemptions however and these are as follows.

A Felling Licence is not required in the following instances:

- To fell trees in a garden, an orchard, a churchyard, or a designated open space (Commons Act 1899).
- To carry out surgery operations such as pruning, reduction, dead wooding or pollarding.
- To fell less than 5 cubic metres in a calendar quarter. (Please note that not more than 2 cubic metres in a calendar quarter may be sold).
- To fell trees that are 8 centimetres or less in diameter when measured 1.3 metres from the ground. Trees removed for thinning may have a diameter of up to 10 centimetres and trees managed under a coppice regime may have a diameter of up to 15 centimetres.
- To fell trees previously approved for removal under a Dedication Scheme, or where Detailed Planning Permission has been granted.

Substantial fines exist for not complying with the requirements of a Felling Licence.

2.3.3 **Hedgerow Regulations and Inclosure Act**

Certain hedgerows within the United Kingdom are protected under The Hedgerow Regulations 1997. The regulations apply to any hedgerow growing in, or adjacent to, any common land, protected land (local nature reserves and SSSIs), or land used for agriculture, forestry or the breeding or keeping of horses, ponies or donkeys, if it: (a) has a continuous length of, or exceeding 20m; or (b) it has a continuous length of less than 20m and, at each end, meets another hedgerow. The regulations do not apply to hedgerows within the curtilage of, or marking a boundary of the curtilage of, a dwelling house.

Anybody wishing to remove or destroy a hedge must apply to their Local Planning Authority (LPA) for consent. Substantial fines exist for not complying with the requirements The Hedgerow Regulations.

Older hedges could be protected by old Inclosure Acts. These Acts may require that hedges are retained and managed forever more.

It is recommended professional legal advice be sought before removing hedgerows to determine whether the hedgerow might be protected by an Inclosure Act. Many Inclosure Acts are deposited in Local Records Offices.

3.0 Tree Survey

3.1 As part of this survey a total of three individual trees, five groups of trees, three areas of trees and one hedge have been identified. These have been numbered T001 – T003, G001 – G005, A001 – A003 and H001 respectively.

3.2 A topographical survey was provided which showed the position of the trees on site. It should be noted however that topographical surveys are not always comprehensive and sometimes it is considered appropriate to record details of trees and landscape features omitted from or beyond the scope of the plan. If this circumstance occurs, the location of the individual tree or landscape feature is estimated. The position of each tree is shown on the attached drawing no. 8811-D-CP.

3.3 In order to provide a systematic, consistent and transparent evaluation of the trees included within this survey, they have been assessed and categorised in accordance with the method detailed in item 4.3 of *BS 5837:2012 "Trees in Relation to Design, Demolition and Construction - Recommendations"*. For further information, please see the attached Explanatory Notes.

3.4 The detailed assessment of each tree and its work requirements with priorities are listed in the attached Schedule of Trees.

3.5 Several items would benefit from tree surgery or additional investigation, be it for health and safety, cultural, aesthetic, or structural reasons as detailed in the attached Schedule of Trees. Including the trees recommended for felling, the items requiring the **most urgent** intervention are as follows:

Within six months:

A001	Reduce crown to clear footpath and carriageway.
T003	Reduce crown to clear footpath and carriageway.

3.6 In accordance with item 4.2.4 (c) of BS 5837:2012, the items inspected and detailed within this report have been selected for inclusion due to the likely influence of any proposed development on the trees, rather than strictly adhering to the curtilage of the site. However, it must be understood that there may be trees beyond the site and not included in this survey which may exert an influence on the development. Where works for cultural, health and safety, quality of life, or development purposes have been recommended on trees outside the ownership of the site, these can only progress with the agreement of the owner, except where it involves portions of the trees overhanging the boundary.

4.0 Constraints Upon Proposed Development

4.1 Physical Extent of the Trees

4.1.1 The Root Protection Areas (RPA) for the trees deemed worthy of retention are indicated on the attached Drawing No.8811-D-CP. These define the below ground constraints of the trees.

4.1.2 The crown spreads of the trees deemed worthy of retention are also indicated on the attached Drawing No.8811-D-CP. These define the above ground constraints of the trees.

4.2 Design Considerations

4.2.1 The combination of the above and below ground constraints outlined at 4.1 above, should be used to inform the layout and design of any proposed development by considering the following principal factors;

4.2.2 **Shade.** Consideration will be needed regarding the size, positioning and aspect of windows, together with the internal layout of dwellings in close proximity to trees to ensure sufficient daylight enters rooms or buildings. Consideration should also be given to the future growth potential of trees in close proximity to prospective development.

4.2.3 **Water Demand.** The water demand of the trees deemed worthy of retention, as listed by the NHBC, is given in the attached *Schedule of Trees* in order to inform the foundation design process.

4.2.4 **Siting.** Ideally, the footprint of any proposed building should be no closer than 2 metres from the edge of any RPA or crown spread of any trees to be retained. This is to ensure that sufficient room is provided to allow the construction of the proposed development without any encroachment into the RPA or under the crown spread. If it is considered acceptable and appropriate to construct within the RPA, specialist engineering techniques (e.g. cantilever, piling, or pad and above ground beam foundations) and ground protection measures will be required to minimise the impact on the roots.

4.2.5 **Practicality.** It is important to ensure that any garden attached to a dwelling has a significant area of open ground that is not covered by the crowns of retained trees.

4.3 Construction Measures

4.3.1 In order to ensure that trees intended for retention are not harmed during the construction processes, the following matters require consideration and implementation as necessary. Please note that once the design is finalised, Hayden's Arboricultural Consultants will provide a Preliminary Arboricultural Method Statement & Tree Protection Plan that will satisfy the requirements for obtaining planning permission.

4.3.2 **Protective Fencing.** The trees to be retained will need to be protected by the use of stout barrier fencing. This fencing must be in accordance with the requirements of BS 5837:2012 and will be erected prior to any development on the site, therefore ensuring the maximum protection. All tree protection barrier fencing will be regarded as sacrosanct and, once erected, will not be removed or altered without the prior consent of the Local Planning Authority Arboricultural Officer.

4.3.3 **Services.** Ideally, all service runs will be routed outside of the RPA of any retained trees. If a service has to be installed across an RPA, works must be undertaken in accordance the guidance of the National Joint Utilities Group Guidance Note 4 "*Guidelines for the planning, installation and maintenance of utility apparatus in proximity to trees*" (NJUG 4 paragraph 4) and installation of such a method as to reduce any possible detrimental effect on roots to an absolute minimum.

4.3.4 **Hard Surfaces.** Hard surfaces may be constructed under the crown spreads of retained trees and within the RPA if specific detail is paid to the design and specification. In these areas, the design will comply with the principles of the Arboricultural Advisory Information Services (AAIS) Practice Note 12 "*Through the Trees to Development*" - the only difference being that instead of a geo-grid, a geo-textile base is provided, and the no-fines road stone is incorporated in, and retained by, a geo-web cellular confinement system. Given the individual requirements of each site, it is essential that a specialist engineer is consulted to specify the construction detail. Where the hard surface proposed is impermeable, it must not cover more than 20% of the RPA. Larger extents of permeable surfacing may be acceptable, dependent on the individual circumstances of the site.

5.0 Conclusions

5.1 The site is Land south of Cambridge Road, Milton, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire. This location has been subjected to a total health and safety inspection, together with a consideration of the tree related constraints on development.

5.2 Within the area specified for inspection, a total of three individual trees, five groups of trees, three areas of trees and one hedge have been surveyed. These were found to be of mixed condition and age providing a variety of amenity benefits.

5.3 Consideration is being given to undertaking development within the site, but no definite layout has as yet been determined.

5.4 Ideally, all development should take place outside the RPA of the trees considered most worthy or appropriate for retention thus allowing a traditional construction process. It is usually technically possible (though not necessarily desirable) to build within a very limited portion of the RPA of one or more trees using specialist engineering techniques, but inevitably this is more difficult and expensive than traditional construction methods and may not be acceptable to the local planning authority.

5.5 Irrespective of any development proposals, a number of trees require attention as detailed items in the *Schedule of Trees*.

6.0 Recommendations

6.1 It is recommended that the siting and design of the layout considers the presence of trees, particularly the highest quality, and where feasible seeks to incorporate them within any proposed development.

6.2 Tree surgery should be completed as detailed in the *Schedule of Trees*. Where this has been identified for reasons other than to permit development, this work should be completed within the advised timescales irrespective of any development proposals.

6.3 The tree surgery works proposed as part of the Survey are recommended to mitigate any identified health and safety problems and to promote longevity in retained trees in the context of a potential development site. To this end, should these recommendations be overruled, this Survey stands as the opinion of Hayden's Arboricultural Consultants Limited, and therefore any damage or injury caused by trees recommended by this practice for felling or tree surgery works, to which the proposed schedule of works has been altered or the tree has been requested to be retained by the Local Planning Authority, cannot be the responsibility of this practice.

7.0 Limitations & Qualifications

Tree inspection reports are subject to the following limitations and qualifications.

General exclusions

Unless specifically mentioned, the report will only be concerned with above ground inspections. No below ground inspections will be carried out without the prior confirmation from the client that such works should be undertaken.

The validity, accuracy and findings of this report will be directly related to the accuracy of the information made available prior to and during the inspection process. No checking of independent third-party data will be undertaken. Hayden's Arboricultural Consultants Limited will not be responsible for the recommendations within this report where essential data are not made available or are inaccurate.

This report will remain valid for one year from the date of inspection subject to the recommendations specified within being adhered to. It must also be appreciated that recommendations proposed within this report may be superseded by extreme weather, or any other unreasonably foreseeable events.

However, if any additional alterations to the property or soil levels are carried out and/or further tree works undertaken other than specified within the report, it will become invalid and a new tree inspection strongly recommended.

It will be appreciated, and deemed to be accepted by the client and their insurers, that the formulation of the recommendations for the management of trees will be guided by the following: -

1. The need to avoid reasonably foreseeable damage.
2. The arboricultural considerations - tree safety, good arboricultural practice (tree work) and aesthetics.

The client and their insurers are deemed to have accepted the limitation placed on the recommendations by the sources quoted in the attached report. Where sources are limited by time constraints or the client, this may lead to an incomplete quantification of the risk.

Signed:

May 2021……
For and on Behalf of Hayden's Arboricultural Consultants Limited

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Appendix A - Species List & Tree Problems

Species List:

Ash	*Fraxinus excelsior*
Cherry	*Prunus sp*
Cherry Plum	*Prunus cerasifera*
English Elm	*Ulmus minor var. vulgaris*
European Lime	*Tilia x europaea*
Field Maple	*Acer campestre*
Hawthorn	*Crataegus monogyna*
Hazel	*Corylus avellana*
Poplar	*Populus sp*
Sycamore	*Acer pseudoplatanus*

Tree Problems:

This gives a brief description of the problems identified in the attached Tree Survey.

Name: Deadwood	
Symptoms/damage type and cause:	This relates to dead branches in the crown of the tree. In the majority of cases, this is caused by the natural ageing process of the tree or shading due to its close proximity to neighbouring trees. However, in some situations, it may be related to fungal, bacterial or viral infection.
Consequence:	Depending upon the location and mass of dead wood removal of the affected tissue may be necessary to prevent harm to persons or property as the wood will become unstable as it decays and in some circumstances is likely to fall from the tree with little or no warning.
Control:	Detailed monitoring should be undertaken on those trees showing signs of excessive deadwood production to identify the underlying cause.
Species affected:	Most tree species.
Images:	 

Name: ***Hedera helix*** **(Ivy)**	
Symptoms/damage type and cause:	Ivy may grow to varying degrees on all areas of a tree from the base to the upper crown. It is possible that in doing so it will out-compete the host tree for available light thereby suppressing the host.
Consequence:	This is generally only harmful to the tree on already unhealthy specimens which may be constricted by large ivy stems around the trunk or may have their top growth suppressed by a mass of flowering shoots in the crown. Ivy can also mask potentially dangerous faults on a tree.
Control:	Ivy should only be removed if absolutely necessary because it provides abundant cover to wildlife and then by severing twice close to the ground and removing a length of stem thereby causing the gradual dying away of the aerial parts of the plant providing extended benefit to wildlife whist relieving the pressure on the tree.
Species affected:	Most trees can be affected.
Images:	 

Appendix B

Schedule of Trees

SCHEDULE OF TREES

Land south of Cambridge Road, Milton, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire

Surveyed By: Alex Garnham Date: 27/04/2021
Managed By: Alex Garnham

TreeNo	Species	DBH	Height		Visual	Crown Spread	Problems / Comments	BS Cat	Work Required	Priority
		Min Dist	Crown Base	Lowest Branch	Age	Water Demand				
On site		RPA (m²)	Aspect	Aspect	SULE	Ground Cover				
A001	Hawthorn, Cherry Plum, Ash, Field Maple, Cherry Spp, Lime Spp, Sycamore	320	12.5		High	N5, E5, S5, W5	Dense area of mixed age and species trees located on a steep embankment between a busy highway and roundabout and a vacant plot of land. The trees form an effective screen and are of high amenity value. No access to most of the feature due to dense undergrowth and steep terrain. Crowns on the northern side are growing over a footpath and into the highway.	B2	Reduce crown to clear footpath and carriageway.	2
		3.84	0		SM	High				
Yes		46.3			20+ years	Bare earth, Dense undergrowth				
A002	Hawthorn, Cherry Plum, Ash, Cherry Spp, Sycamore	180	6.5		Moderate	N2.5, E2.5, S2.5, W2.5	Dense area of young mixed species trees located on a steep embankment between a busy highway and roundabout and a vacant plot of land. The trees form a young and currently broken screen and are of good future amenity value. No access to most of the feature due to dense undergrowth, fences and steep terrain.	C2	No work required.	4
		2.16	0		SM	High				
Yes		14.7			10+ years	Bare earth, Dense undergrowth				
A003	Cherry Plum, Hazel, English Elm, Hawthorn	160	6		Low	N2.5, E2.5, S2.5, W2.5	Area of unmanaged trees, Ivy and bramble between a vacant plot of land and a bridge overpass. Some screening value, otherwise unremarkable specimens of limited merit.	C2	No work required.	4
		1.92	0		SM	High				
Yes		11.6			10+ years	Dense undergrowth				
G001	Poplar Spp	400	15		Moderate	N5, E5, S5, W5	Three semi mature Poplar in vegetative belt south of a highway and north of a vacant plot of land. Typical form and good physiological condition. Some amenity value near busy highway. Otherwise unremarkable specimens of limited merit.	C2	No work required.	4
		4.8	2.5		SM	High				
Yes		72.4			10+ years	Dense undergrowth				
G002	Cherry Plum, Hawthorn	300	5.5		Moderate	N3, E3, S3, W3	Two multi-stemmed Cherry Plum and one Hawthorn in vegetative belt north of a tarmac strip, west of a roundabout and south of a busy highway. No access due to dense undergrowth. Some amenity value but otherwise unremarkable specimens of limited merit.	C2	No work required.	4
		3.6	1.6		SM	High				
Yes		40.7			10+ years	Dense undergrowth				
G003	Poplar Spp	290	14		Moderate	N4.5, E4.5, S4.5, W4.5	Two semi mature Poplar in vegetative belt south of a highway and north of a vacant plot of land. Typical form and good physiological condition. Some amenity value near busy highway. Otherwise unremarkable specimens of limited merit.	C2	No work required.	4
		3.48	2		SM	High				
Yes		38			10+ years	Dense undergrowth				
G004	Cherry Spp, Lime Spp	310	8		Moderate	N4.5, E4.5, S4.5, W4.5	Group of one Lime and approx. thirteen young to semi mature Cherry and one Hawthorn, located on an embankment north of a vacant plot of land and south of a busy highway. Many of the Cherry have been ring barked by animals. Good amenity value but otherwise unremarkable specimens of limited merit .	C2	No work required.	4
		3.72	0		SM	Moderate				
Yes		43.5			10+ years	Bare earth				
G005	Poplar Spp	400	16		Moderate	N5, E5, S5, W5	Linear group of ten Poplar trees on steep embankment between a highway and a vacant plot of land. Typical form and condition. Some amenity value, otherwise unremarkable specimens of limited merit.	C2	No work required.	4
		4.8	2		SM	High				
Yes		72.4			10+ years	Dense undergrowth				
H001	Hawthorn	160	2.5		Moderate	N2, E2, S2, W2	Unmanaged Hawthorn hedgerow between vacant plot of land and a bridge underpass.	C2	Restore routine hedgerow management.	3
		1.92	0		SM	High				
Yes		11.6			10+ years	Bare earth				

TreeNo	Species	DBH	Height		Visual	Crown Spread	Problems / Comments	BS Cat	Work Required	Priority
		Min Dist	Crown Base	Lowest Branch	Age	Water Demand				
On site		RPA (m^2)	Aspect	Aspect	SULE	Ground Cover				
T001	Hawthorn	230	5		Moderate	N2.5, E2.5, S2.5, W2.5	Multi-stemmed Hawthorn on steep embankment between highway and vacant plot of land. Typical form and condition. Unremarkable specimen of limited merit.	C1	No work required	4
		2.76	0		SM	High				
Yes		23.9			10+ years	Grass				
T002	Cherry Plum	200	5		Moderate	N2.5, E2.5, S2.5, W2.5	Multi-stemmed Cherry Plum on steep embankment between highway and vacant plot of land. Typical form and condition. Unremarkable specimen of limited merit.	C1	No work required.	4
		2.4	0		SM	High				
Yes		18.1			10+ years	Grass				
T003	Cherry Plum	500	7		Moderate	N6, E6, S6, W6	Mature Cherry Plum located on steep embankment between a highway and a vacant plot of land. The specimen is broad and growing through the footpath and into the carriageway. Appears to be of good structural and physiological condition.	C1	Reduce crown to clear footpath and carriageway.	2
		6	0.5		M	Moderate				
Yes		113.1			10+ years	Grass				

Appendix C

Schedule of Works

SCHEDULE OF WORK

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Surveyed By: Alex Garnham
Surveyed: 27/04/2021
Managed By: Alex Garnham

Tree No.	Species	Work required	Priority
A001	Hawthorn, Cherry Plum, Ash, Field Maple, Cherry Spp, Lime Spp, Sycamore	Reduce crown to clear footpath and carriageway.	**2**
T003	Cherry Plum	Reduce crown to clear footpath and carriageway.	**2**
H001	Hawthorn	Restore routine hedgerow management.	**3**

Appendix D

Explanatory Notes

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Categories

Below is an explanation of the categories used in the attached Tree Survey.

No Identifies the tree on the drawing.

Species Common names are given to aid understanding for the wider audience.

BS 5837 Main Category Using this assessment (BS 5837:2012, Table 1), trees can be divided into one of the following simplified categories, and are differentiated by cross-hatching and by colour on the attached drawing:

Category A - Those of high quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 40 years;

Category B - Those of moderate quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 20 years;

Category C - Those of low quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 10 years, or young trees with a stem diameter below 150 mm;

Category U - Those trees in such condition that they cannot realistically be retained as living trees in the context of the current land use for longer than 10 years.

BS 5837 Sub Category Table 1 of BS 5837:2012 also requires a sub category to be applied to the A, B, C, and U assessments. This allows for a further understanding of the determining classification as follows:

Sub Category 1 - Mainly arboricultural qualities;

Sub Category 2 - Mainly landscape qualities;

Sub Category 3 - Mainly cultural values, including conservation .

Please note that a specimen or landscape feature may fulfil the requirements of more than one Sub Category.

DBH (mm) Diameter of main stem in millimetres at 1.5 metres from ground level. Where the tree is a multi-stem, the diameter is calculated in accordance with item 4.6.1 of BS 5837:2012.

Age Recorded as one of seven categories:

Y Young. Recently planted or establishing tree that could be transplanted without specialist equipment, i.e. less than 150 mm DBH.

S/M Semi-mature. An established tree, but one which has not reached its prospective ultimate height.

E/M Early-mature. A tree that is reaching its ultimate potential height, whose growth rate is slowing down but if healthy, will still increase in stem diameter and crown spread.

M Mature. A mature specimen with limited potential for any significant increase in size, even if healthy.

O/M Over-mature. A senescent or moribund specimen with a limited safe useful life expectancy. Possibly also containing sufficient structural defects with attendant safety and/or duty of care implications.

D Dead.

Height	Recorded in metres, measured from the base of the tree.
Crown Base	Recorded in metres, the distance from ground and aspect of the lowest branch material.
Lowest Branch	Recorded in metres, the distance from ground and aspect of the emergence point of the lowest significant branch.
Life Expectancy	Relates to the prospective life expectancy of the tree and is given as 4 categories: 1 = 40 years+; 2 = 20 years+; 3 = 10 years+; 4 = less than 10 years.
Crown Spread	Indicates the radius of the crown from the base of the tree in each of the northern, eastern, southern and western aspects.
Minimum Distance	This is a distance equal to 12 times the diameter of the tree measured at 1.5 metres above ground level for single stemmed trees and 12 times the average diameter of the tree measured at 1.5 metres above ground level tree for multi stemmed specimens. (BS 5837:2012, section 4.6).
RPA	This is the Root Protection Area, measured in square metres and defined in BS5837:2012 as "a layout design tool indicating the minimum area around a tree deemed to contain sufficient roots and rooting volume to maintain the tree's viability, and where the protection of the roots and soil structure is treated as a priority". The RPA is shown on the drawing.. Ideally this is an area around the tree that must be kept clear of construction, level changes of construction operations. Some methods of construction can be carried out within the RPA of a retained tree but only if approved by the Local Planning Authority's tree officer.
Water Demand	This gives the water demand of the species of tree when mature, as given in the NHBC Standards Chapter 4.2 "Building Near Trees".
Visual Amenity	Concerns the planning and landscape contribution to the development site made by the tree, hedge or tree group, in terms of its amenity value and prominence on the skyline along with functional criteria such as the screening value, shelter provision and wildlife significance. The usual definitions are as follows: Low — An inconsequential landscape feature. Moderate — Of some note within the immediate vicinity, but not significant in the wider context. High — Item of high visual importance.
Problems/ Comments	May include general comments about growth characteristic, how it is affected by other trees and any previous surgery work; also, specific problems such as deadwood, pests, diseases, broken limbs, etc.
Work Required (TS)	Identifies the necessary tree work to mitigate anticipated problems and deal with existing problems identified in the "Problems/comments" category.

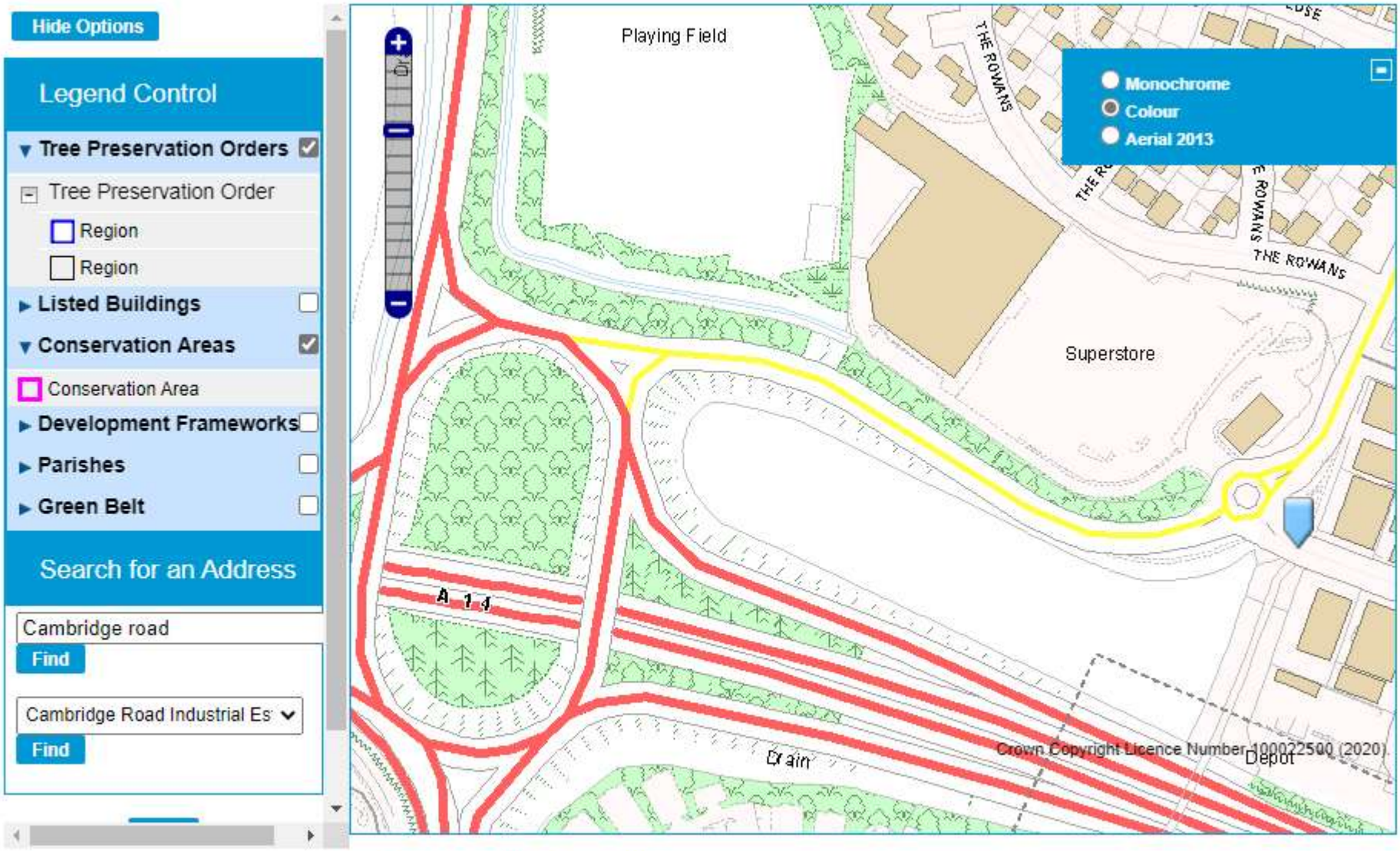
Work Required (AIA)	Identifies the tree work specifically necessary to allow a proposed development to proceed.
Priority	This gives a priority rating to each tree allowing the client to prioritise necessary tree works identified within the Tree Survey. **1** Urgent – works required immediately; **2** Works required within 6 months; **3** Works required within 1 year; **4** Re-inspect in 12 months, **0** Remedial works as part of implementation of planning consent.

BS 5837:2012 Terms and Definitions

Access Facilitation Pruning	One-off tree pruning operation, the nature and effects of which are without significant adverse impact on tree physiology or amenity value, which is directly necessary to provide access for operations on site.
Arboricultural Method Statement	Methodology for the implementation of any aspect of development that is within the root protection area, or has the potential to result in loss of or damage to a tree to be retained.
Arboriculturist	Person who has, through relevant education, training and experience, gained expertise in the field of trees in relation to construction.
Competent Person	Person who has training and experience relevant to the matter being addressed and an understanding of the requirements of the particular task being approached. *NOTE - a competent person is expected to be able to advise on the best means by which the recommendations of this British Standard may be implemented.*
Construction	Site-based operations with the potential to affect existing trees.
Construction Exclusion Zone	Area based on the root protection area from which access is prohibited for the duration of a project.
Root Protection Area (RPA)	Layout design tool indicating the minimum area around a tree deemed to contain sufficient roots and rooting volume to maintain the tree's viability, and where the protection of the roots and soil structure is treated as a priority.
Service	Any above or below ground structure or apparatus required for utility provision. **NOTE** - examples include drainage, gas supplies, ground source heat pumps, CCTV and satellite communications.
Stem	Principal above ground structural component(s) of a tree that supports its branches.
Structure	Manufactured object, such as a building, carriageway, path, wall, service run, and built or excavated earthwork.
Tree Protection Plan	Scale drawing, informed by descriptive text where necessary, based upon the finalized proposals, showing trees for retention and illustrating the tree and landscape protection measures.
Veteran Tree	Tree that, by recognized criteria, shows features of biological, cultural or aesthetic value that are characteristic of, but not exclusive to, individuals surviving beyond the typical age range for the species concerned. **NOTE** - these characteristics might typically include a large girth, signs of crown retrenchment and hollowing of the stem.

Appendix E

Tree Preservation Order Enquiry/Response

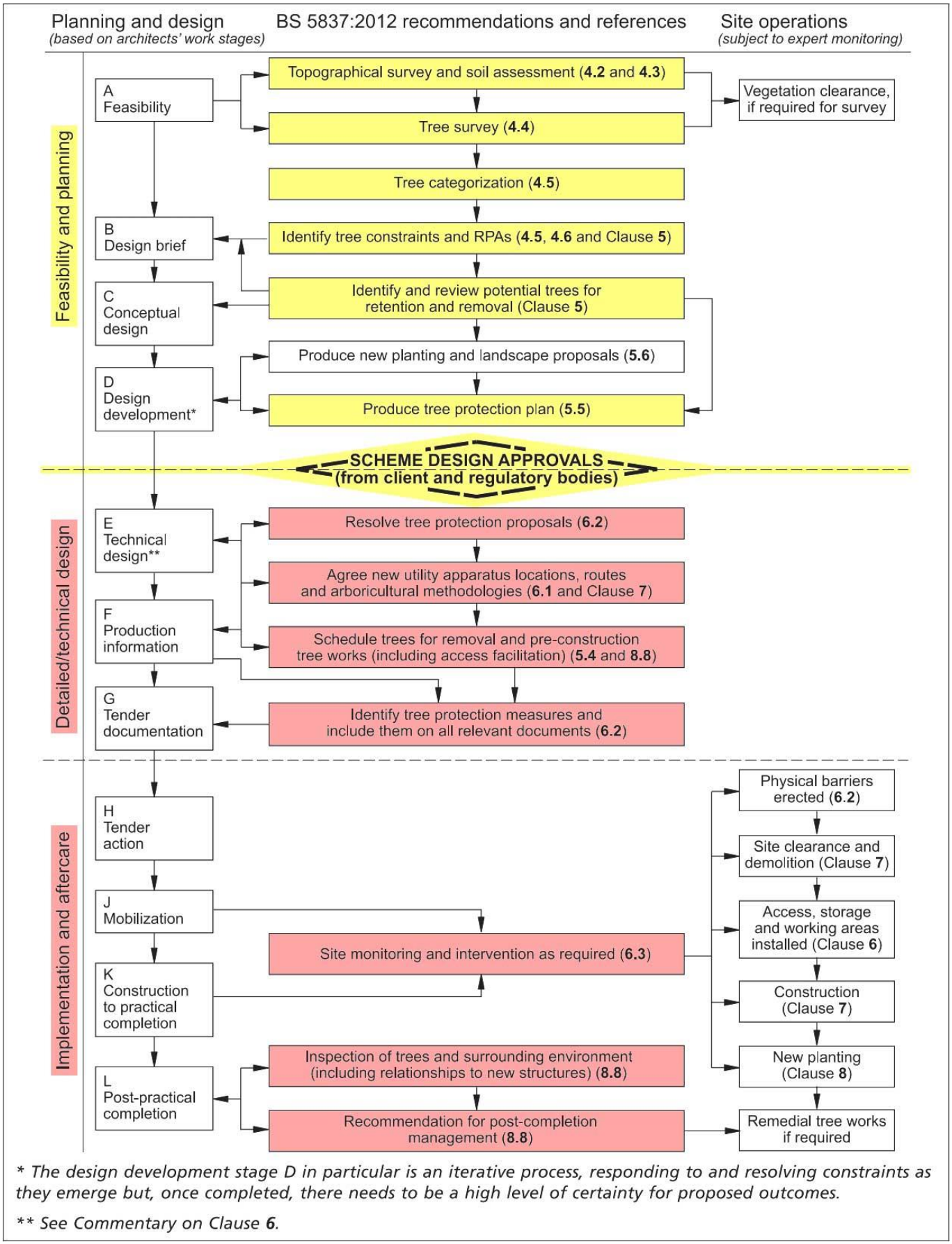


* Please be aware this map updates applications after 48 hours. If you cannot find the application you need, try our **alternative search**.

Appendix F

Advisory Information & Sample Specifications

1. BS 5837:2012 Figure 1 - Flow Chart – Design and Construction & Tree Care



** The design development stage D in particular is an iterative process, responding to and resolving constraints as they emerge but, once completed, there needs to be a high level of certainty for proposed outcomes.*

*** See Commentary on Clause **6**.*

2.

European Protected Species and woodland operations. (V4)

Complete all sections of the Checklist

✔

Checklist

1 **Are you within, or close to, the known mapped range of any of the protected species OTHER THAN BATS which are potentially everywhere? Tick any that apply.**
See distribution maps in the Good Practice Guidance for each species -

- ☐ Dormice
- ☐ Otters
- ☐ Great crested newts
- ☐ Sand lizards
- ☐ Smooth snakes

YES / NO

2 **Does your wood contain any of the following habitats? Tick any that apply.**

- ☐ Old trees with holes and crevices which might be used bats
- ☐ Species rich scrub/coppice, early growth stage plantations and forest interfaces
- ☐ Rivers on which otters might be found
- ☐ Ponds which might be occupied by great crested newts
- ☐ Open areas on heathy soils

YES / NO

3 **Have any of the protected species been recorded in this wood or on adjoining sites? Tick any that apply.**
Indicate which sources of information you have checked:

- ☐ National Biodiversity Network (www.nbn.org.uk)
- ☐ Local Biological Records Centre
- ☐ Local Wildlife Trust
- ☐ Other

Specify Other:

YES / NO

4 **Have your inspections or any expert surveys found any of the following signs or evidence? Tick any that apply.**

- ☐ Signs (e.g. otter spraint, nuts gnawed by dormice, leaves folded by newts)
- ☐ Sightings (or echo-location)
- ☐ Potential breeding or roosting sites (e.g. veteran trees, old trees with crevices, riverside hollow trees, ponds, timber stacks, large fallen deadwood)
- ☐ Confirmed breeding or roosting sites (i.e. evidence of sites actually being used)

Details:

YES / NO

CHECK POINT

If you have answered NO to ALL of the above then only bats need to be considered in your operations.

If you have answered YES to any of the above then the species concerned must be considered as well as bats.

5 **Do the operations comply with Good Practice for bats and any other species found (or likely to be found in your wood) or can the operations be modified to do so?**
Details: Use reverse of form to expand as required:

YES / NO

6 **Whether or not a licence is required...**
Has the information been communicated to operators (including the location of breeding sites and sensitive areas)? Tick any that apply.

- ☐ Included in documentation (e.g. contract, letter of instruction, site assessment or other management plan)
- ☐ Shown to operators and/or their supervisor
- ☐ Marked with paint or hazard tape
- ☐ Shown on the site plan

Other means:

YES / NO

7 **Have arrangements for supervision been made to ensure Good Practice guidance is complied with during the operations?**
Details:

YES / NO

Details

Name of Wood:

Grid Reference:

Area: (ha)

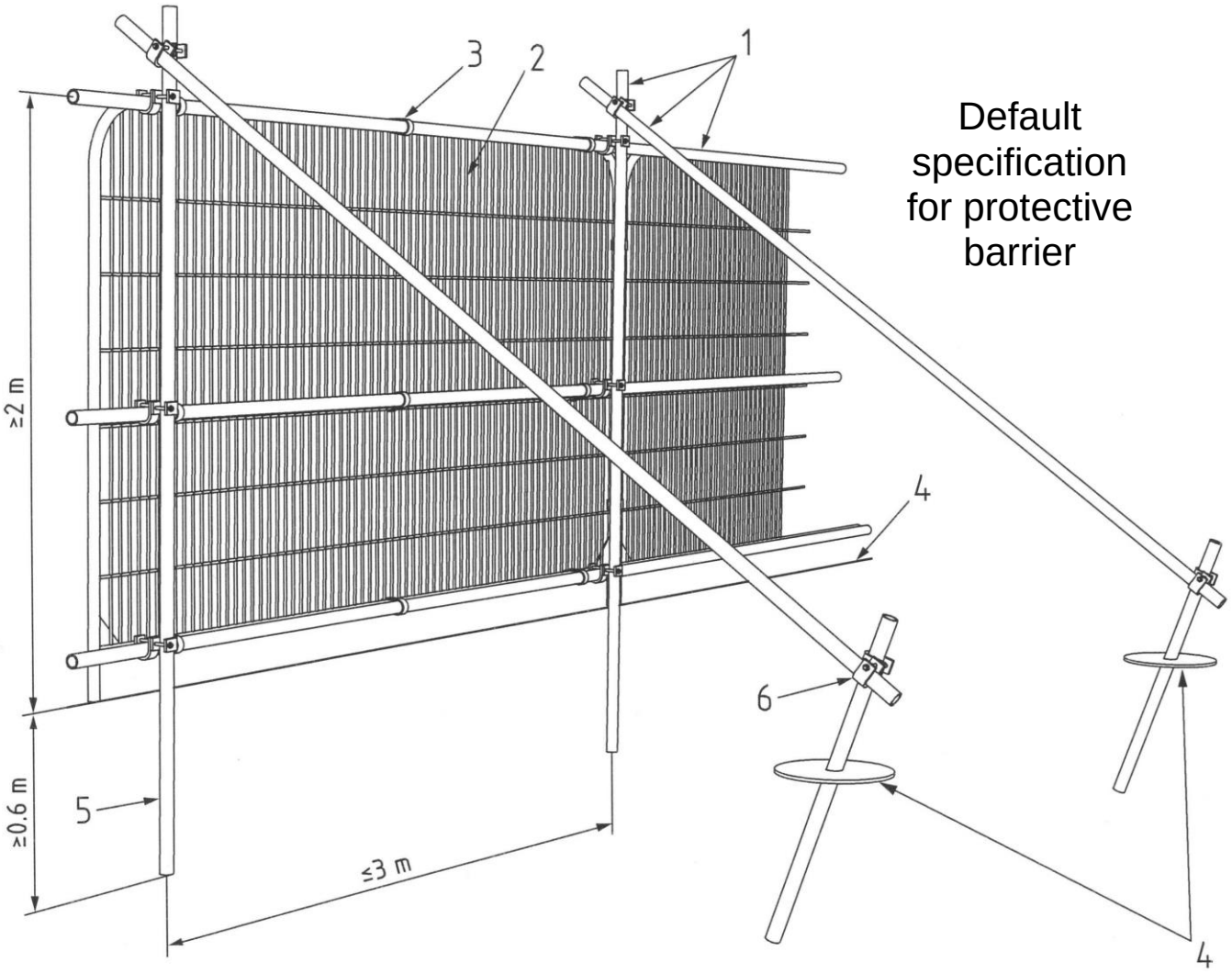
Date of Assessment:

Name of Assessor:

Notes

YES	A licence is not required but continue to sections 6 and 7 below
NO	You will need to obtain a licence BEFORE carrying out the work (see EPS Licence Application Forms and Notes)
YES	
NO	You may commit an offence if you do not tell your operators about the protected species in your wood.
YES	
NO	You may commit an offence if you do not take steps to ensure that your operators comply with the Good Practice guidance.

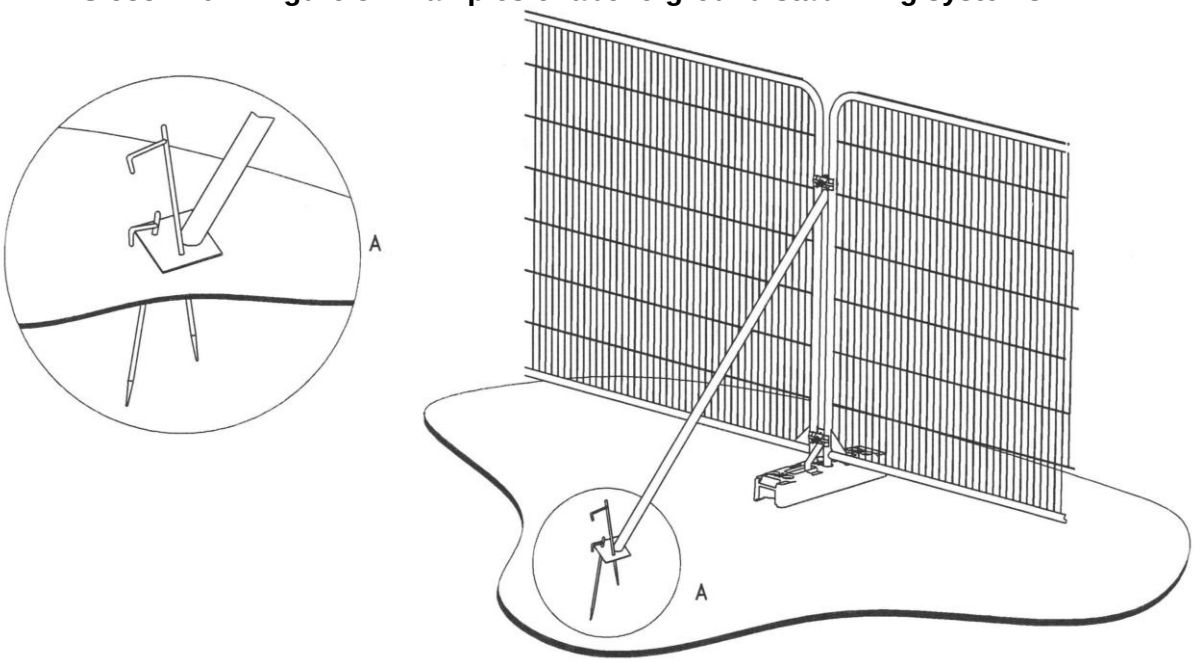
3. BS 5837:2012 Figure 2: Default specification for protective barrier



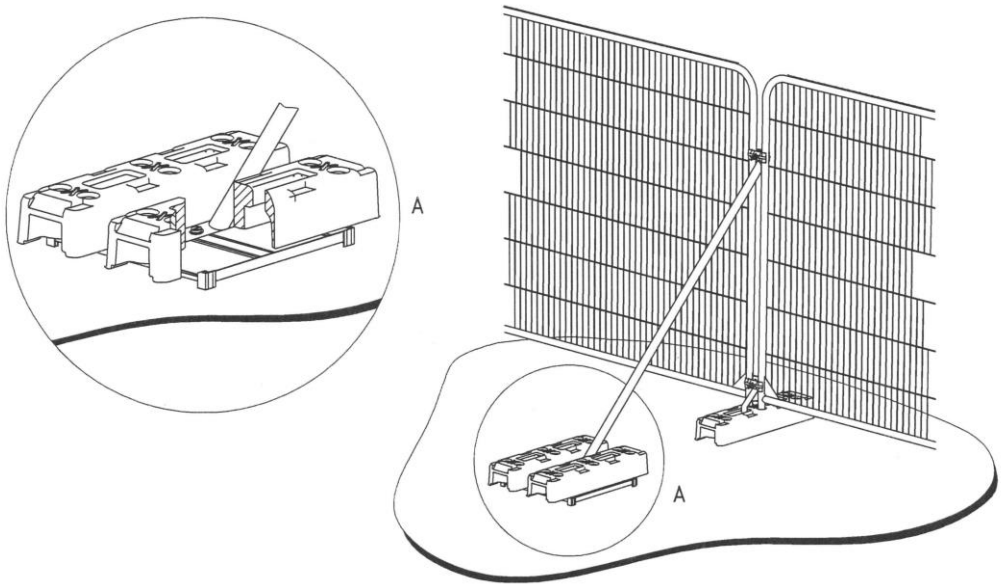
Key

1	Standard scaffold pole
2	Heavy gauge 2m tall galvanised tube and welded mesh infill panels
3	Panels secured to uprights and cross-members with wire ties
4	Ground level
5	Uprights driven into the ground until secure (minimum depth 0.6m
6	Standard scaffold clamps

4. BS 5837:2012 Figure 3: Examples of above-ground stabilizing systems



a) Stabilizer strut with base plate secured with ground pins



b) Stabilizer strut mounted on block tray

Appendix G

Hayden’s Drawing

- Arboricultural Impact Assessments
- Arboricultural Method Statements
- Tree Constraints Plans
- Arboricultural Feasibility Studies
- Shade Analysis
- Picus Tomography
- Arboricultural Consultancy for Local Planning Authority
- Quantified Tree Risk Assessment
- Health & Safety Audits for Tree Stocks
- Tree Stock Survey and Management
- Mortgage and Insurance Reports
- Subsidence Reports
- Woodland Management Plans
- Project Management
- Ecological Surveys

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