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Arboricultural Assessment Report (ver 1)

Ash Tree Close
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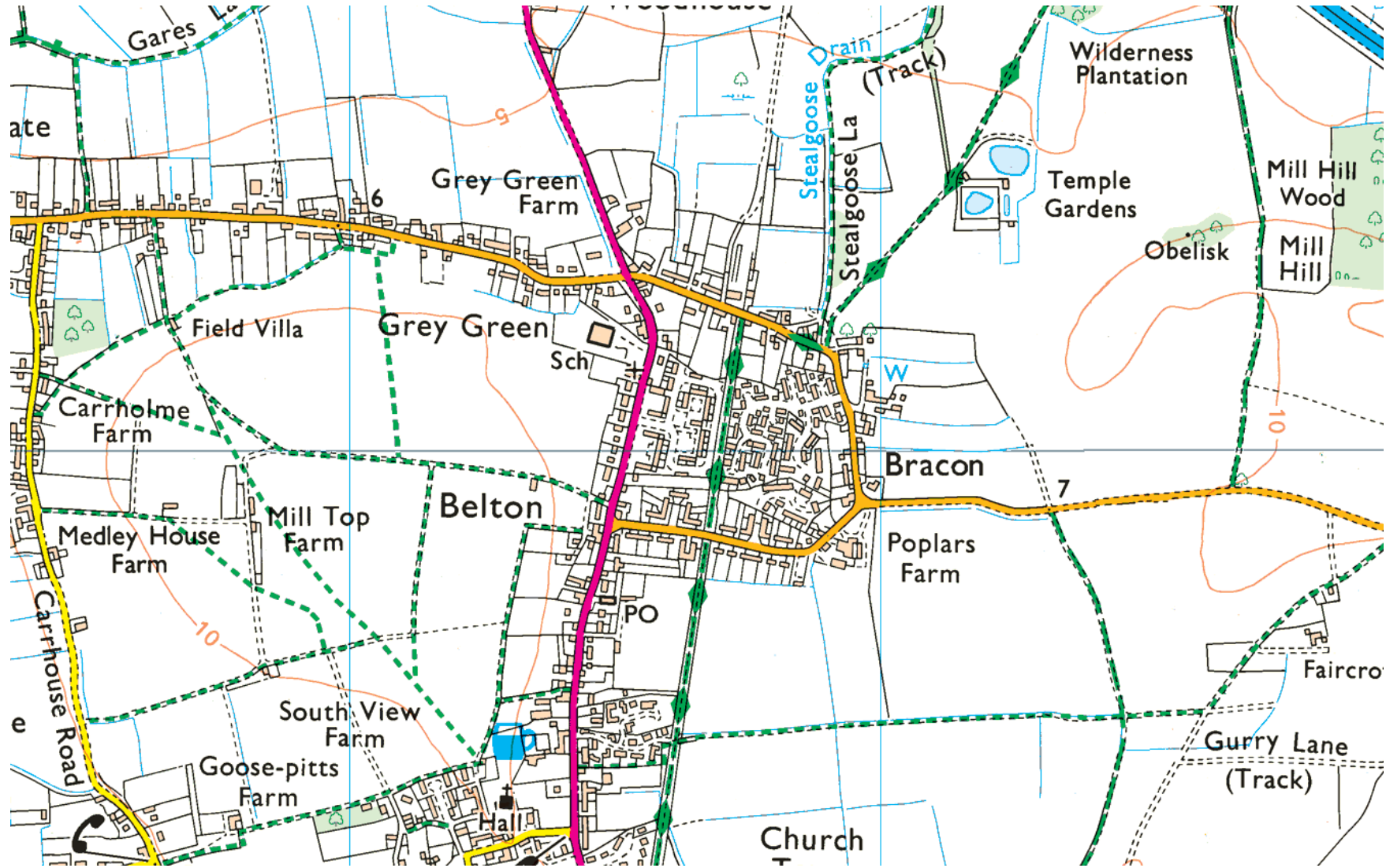
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1.0 INTRODUCTION

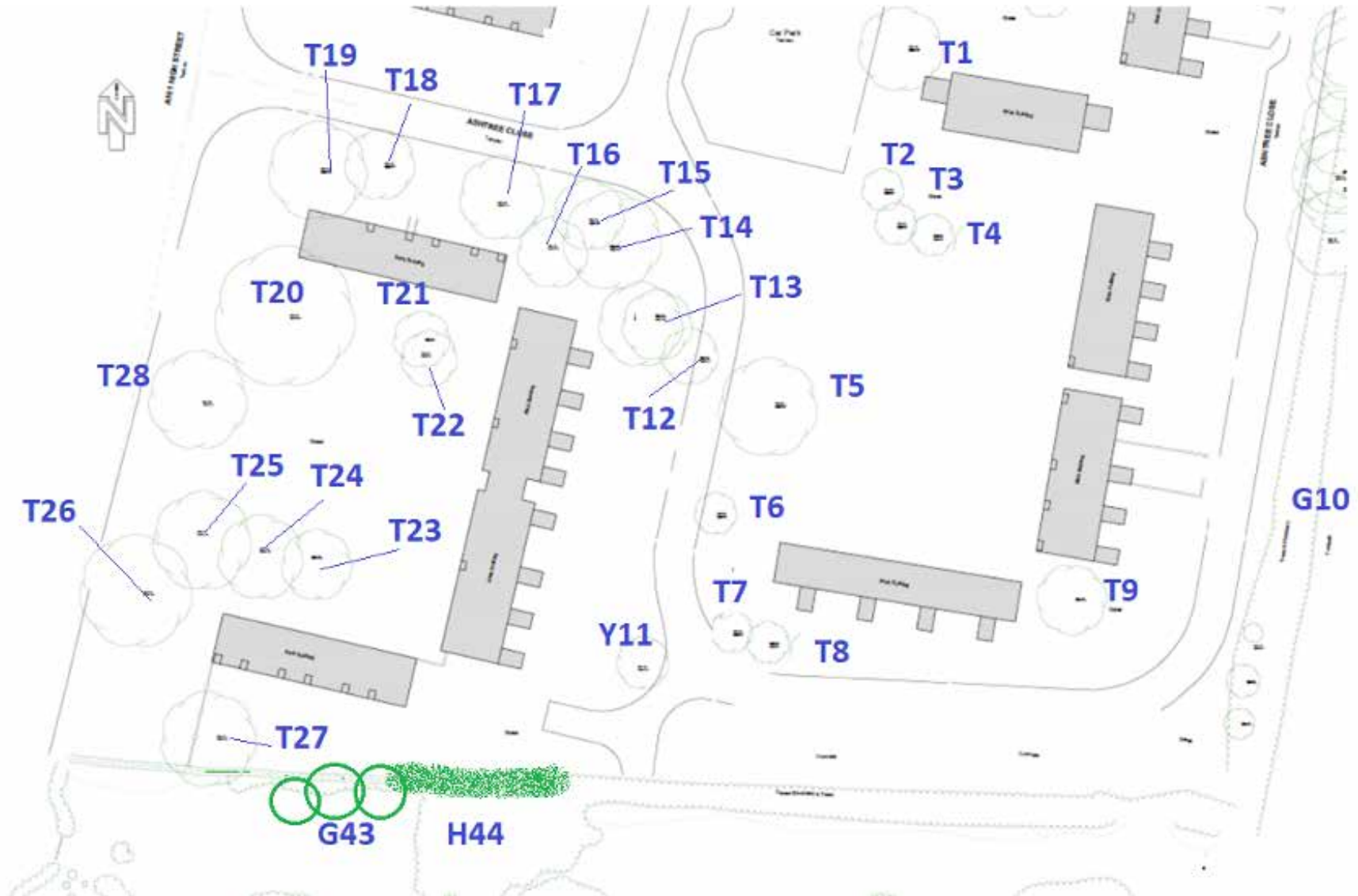
- 1.1 This report provides information in accordance with British Standard 5837:2012 'Trees in Relation to Design, Demolition and Construction' for proposed development at Ash Tree Close, Belton, North Lincolnshire. The proposal are for the demolition of existing properties and construction of new residential properties.
- 1.2 The aims of the survey are to undertake a survey of all trees and within and on the boundaries of the site.
- 1.3 The following information was requested as part of the brief:
- Designated tree number.
 - Tree Species – the common name has been given followed by the Latin or scientific name.
 - Height.
 - Stem or base (multi stemmed trees) diameter
 - Root protection area provided as a radius from the trunk, listed below the stem diameter.
 - Crown clearance (height of the periphery of the crown spread above ground level).
 - Branch spread (to N, S, E, and W).
 - Age class. This is given as young (Y), middle age (MA), mature (M), and over mature (OM).
 - Physiological condition - general comments given only, poor, fair, good.
 - Tree structural condition - general comments given only, poor, fair, good.
 - Useful life expectancy.
 - Preliminary management recommendations (a full tree risk survey will not be undertaken at this stage).
 - Tree category (U, A, B or C).

2.0 SITE SURVEY

2.1 Location Plan 1A



2.2 Southern Section Plan 1B



2.2 Northern Section Plan 1C



3.0 SURVEY METHODOLOGY AND SCHEDULE

- 3.1 The survey was carried out to British Standard 5837:2012, using the categories explained below.
- 3.1.1 The trees were assessed visually from ground level. Where potential problems were identified, further inspection by tree climbing is recommended. No digging or drilling methods were employed during this survey.
- 3.1.2 The tree numbers within the schedules refer to the order in which the trees were recorded.
- 3.1.3 The approximate height of each tree is measured from ground level to top of canopy using a clinometer.
- 3.1.4 The approximate diameter of each tree is measured at 1.5m above ground level. Many trees are not measured due to inaccessibility. The root protection distance which has been expressed as a radius from the trunk of the tree has been given below the diameter measurement.
- 3.1.5 The age of each tree is based upon our experience.
- 3.1.6 The physiological condition of the trees is based upon our experience.
- 3.1.7 The structural condition and description is based upon our experience.
- 3.1.8 Both the approximate expected lifespan remaining, and category/rating of each tree is based upon the surveyor's experience.
- 3.1.9 The retention category of each tree or group of trees is based upon the information detailed above using the following categories: -
- U Trees to be removed for arboricultural reasons
 - A Trees of high quality and value
 - B Trees of moderate quality and value
 - C Trees of low quality and value
- 3.1.10 The following subcategories have been used in rating tree value:
- 1 Primarily arboricultural value
 - 2 Primarily landscape value
 - 3 Primarily cultural values, including conservation

3.2 TREE SCHEDULE

(See Plan 1B and 1C) – Note root protection area (RPA) provided as a radius below the Stem Diameter.

Tree no	Species	Height	Stem Dia RPA	Branch Spread	Crown Height	Age Glass	Physiological Condition	Structural Condition	Preliminary Management Recommendations	Useful life Expectancy	Category Grading
T1	Norway maple	12m	490 5.9m	5m	4m	M	Good	Good	No action	40+	B2
T2	Crab apple	5m	210 2/5m	3m	2m	M	Fair	Fair	No action	20+	C2
T3	Whitebeam	7m	290 3/5m	4m	3m	M	Poor	Poo	No action Review when in leaf but it appears to have extensive dieback	-	U
T4	Whitebeam	6m	230 2.7m	3m	2m	M	Fair	Fair	No action	10+	C2
T5	Cherry	20m	880 10.5m	9m	2m	M	Good	Good	No action	30	B2
T6	Crab Apple	4m	230 2.7m	2.5m	2m	M	Fair	Fair	No action	20+	C2
T7	Cherry	15m	400e 4.8m	3m	5m	M	Fair	Fair	No action Tree in private garden	20+	C2

Tree no	Species	Height	Stem Dia RPA	Branch Spread	Crown Height	Age Glass	Physiological Condition	Structural Condition	Preliminary Management Recommendations	Useful life Expectancy	Category Grading
T8	Norway Maple	17m	400e 4.8m	4m	4m	M	Fair	Fair	No action Tree in private garden	20+	C2
T9	Norway maple	18m	690 8.3m	8m	3m	M	Good	Good	No action	40+	B2
G10	Hawthorn Scrub with Norway maple saplings	8m	300e 3.6m	3m	-	M	Good	Good	No action	30	C2
T11	Norway maple	12m	450 5.4m	N 4 S 0 E 3 W 4	3m	M	Fair	Poor	No action Lost major limb on the south. Side of the tree.	20	C2
T12	Lime	20m	410 4/.9m	5m	2m	M	Good	Good	No action	40+	B2
T13	Norway maple	22m	590 7/1m	7m	3m	M	Good	Good	No action	40+	B2
T14	Cherry	16m	560 6.7m	5m	3m	M	Good	Fair	Remove for development Small pocket of decay at base	20+	B2
T15	Cherry	14m	370 4.4m	5m	3m	M	Good	Fair	Remove for development	20+	B2

Tree no	Species	Height	Stem Dia RPA	Branch Spread	Crown Height	Age Glass	Physiological Condition	Structural Condition	Preliminary Management Recommendations	Useful life Expectancy	Category Grading
T16	Cherry	12m	360 4.3m	5m	3m	M	Good	Fair	Remove for development	20+	B2
T17	Whitebeam	14m	570 6.8m	6m	2m	M	Good	Good	Remove for development	20+	B2
T18	Whitebeam	12m	450 5.4m	4m	3m	M	Fair	Fair	Remove for development	20+	C2
T19	Norway maple	20m	570 6.8m	6m	4m	M	Good	Good	Remove for development	40+	B2
T20	Ash	18m	630 7.5m	7m	3m	M	Good	Good	Remove for development	-	B2
T21	Crab apple	4m	260 3.1m	2m	2m	M	Fair	Fair	Remove for development	20+	C2
T22	Crab apple	4m	210 2.5m	2m	2m	M	Fair	Fair	Remove for development	20+	C2
T23	Whitebeam	16m	510 6.1m	5m	2m	M	Good	Fair	Remove for development	20+	C2
T24	Norway maple	22m	550 6.6m	5m	3m	M	Good	Good	Remove for development	40+	B2

Tree no	Species	Height	Stem Dia RPA	Branch Spread	Crown Height	Age Glass	Physiological Condition	Structural Condition	Preliminary Management Recommendations	Useful life Expectancy	Category Grading
T25	Norway maple	18m	660 5.9m	10m	2m	M	Good	Poor	Remove for development Lost central stem in the past poor structural	40+	C2
T26	Weeping willow	16m	720 8.6m	5m	2m	M	Good	Fair	Pollard back to previous pollard points and allow to re-sprout.	20+	B2
T27	Weeping willow	22m	800e 9.6m	7m	2m	M	Good	Good	Remove for development Close to adjacent property	20+	B2
T28	Ash	20m	610 7.3m	6m	3m	M	Good	Good	Remove for development	-	B2
T29	Weeping willow	16m	590 7.1m	5m	2m	M	Fair	Fair	Remove for development	20	C2
T30	Norway maple	20m	530 6.3m	5m	2m	M	Good	Good	Remove for development	40+	B2
T31	Cherry	11m	280 3.3m	3m	3m	M	Fair	Poor	Remove for development	20+	C2
T32	Sycamore	20m	520 6.2m	6m	3m	M	Good	Good	Remove for development	30	B2

Tree no	Species	Height	Stem Dia RPA	Branch Spread	Crown Height	Age Glass	Physiological Condition	Structural Condition	Preliminary Management Recommendations	Useful life Expectancy	Category Grading
T33	Cherry	17m	510 6.1m	5m	2m	M	Good	Good	Remove for development	20+	C2
T34	Norway maple	20m	470 5.6m	7m	2m	M	Good	Good	Remove for development	40+	B2
T35	Norway maple	22m	680 8.1m	7m	4m	M	Good	Good	Remove for development	40+	B2
T36	Sycamore	22m	560 6.7m	8m	3m	M	Good	Good	Remove for development	40+	B2
T37	Rowan	5m	220 2.6m	2m	2m	M	Fair	Fair	Remove for development	20+	C2
T38	Crab apple	4m	210 2.5m	2m	2m	M	Fair	Fair	No action	20+	C2
T39	Whitebeam	9m	400e 4.8m	4m	2m	M	Fair	Poor	No action Partially uprooted	20+	C2 U
T40	Horse chestnut	16m	620 7.4m	4m	4m	M	Good	Fair	No action	40+	B2
T41	Rowan	7m	160 1.9m	3m	2m	M	Fair	Fair	No action	20+	C2

Tree no	Species	Height	Stem Dia RPA	Branch Spread	Crown Height	Age Glass	Physiological Condition	Structural Condition	Preliminary Management Recommendations	Useful life Expectancy	Category Grading
T42	Rowan	7m	210 2.6m	3m	3m	M	Poor	Fair	No action Bark damage	20+	C2
G43	Garden Trees	9m	300e 3.6m	4m	2m	M	Good	Good	No action Trees on adjacent land	20+	C2
H44	Hawthorn Hedge	7m	200e 2.4m	2m	-	M	Fair	Fair	No action	30+	C2

4.0 ARBORICULTURAL IMPLICATIONS ASSESSMENT

4.1 Plan 2A – Proposed Layout



4.2 Tree Removal

4.2.1 The development proposal requires the removal of the mature trees within the two main open space areas alongside the main road (A161). Some of the trees are attractive large mature specimens and have therefore been given the category B2. However, some of these trees have outgrown their situation in relation to the existing properties. The following photograph identifies the trees to be removed.



Photograph 1 (Southern Area)



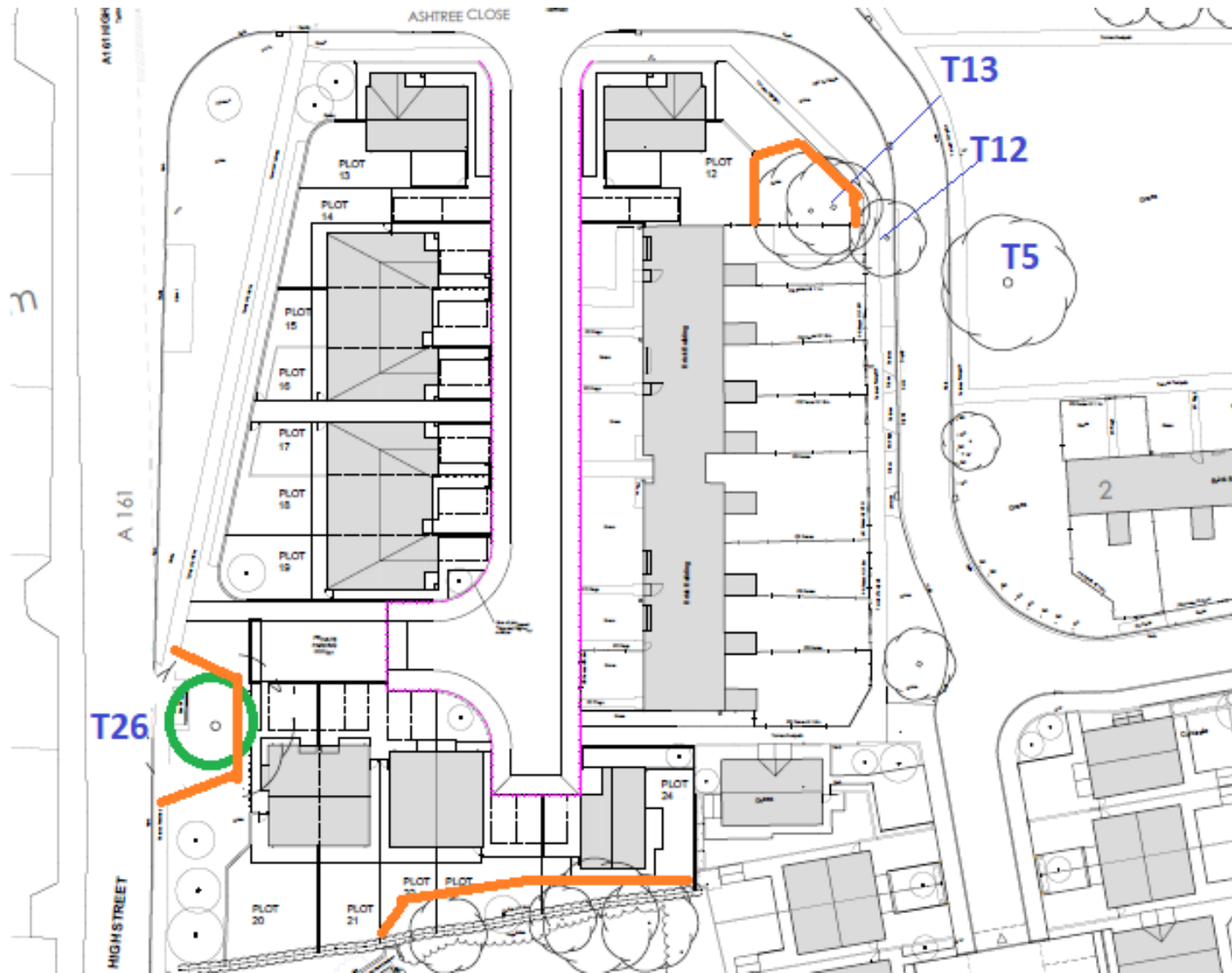
Photograph 2 – Ash Tree Close



Photograph 3 – Northern Area

- 4.2.2 The removal of most of the trees from the development area has reduced the tree protection measures to just 3 areas as shown on plan 3A on the following page.

5.0 TREE PROTECTION - Plan 3A



6.0 ARBORICULTURAL METHOD STATEMENT (AMS)

6.1 General Site Management Constraints

- No soil stripping, compaction, excavation or removal is to take place other than for the foundations, as proposed and for service and drainage.

6.2 Local Planning Authority Meeting

- The Local Planning Authority to be notified not less than 72 hours prior to commencement of works on site.

6.3 Tree Removal and Site Clearance

- Trees to be removed as listed on the tree schedule.

6.4 Tree Protection Measures

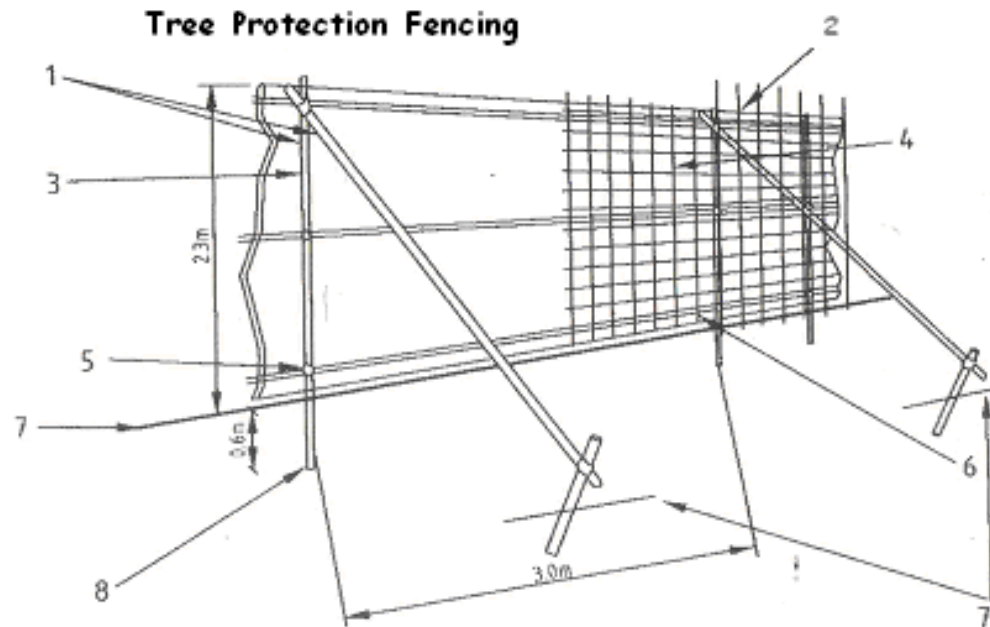
- Tree Protection Fencing to be erected as indicated on the Tree Protection Plan 3A and as detailed in Appendix A
- Tree protection fencing to be marked with signs at 4m intervals 'TREE PROTECTION FENCING – DO NOT REMOVE'.
- No storage of materials or equipment within the tree protection fencing.

6.5 Demolition and Construction Work

- Once the tree protection is in place then construction work can commence.

7.0 Appendix A – Tree Protection Details

Extract from BS5837



- 1) Standard Scaffold Poles
- 2) Uprights to be driven into the ground
- 3) Panels secured to uprights with wire ties
- 4) Weldmesh
- 5) Standard clamps
- 6) Wire twisted and secured on inside of fence
- 7) Ground level
- 8) Approx 0.6m into the ground

