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Collyhurst Village, Padget Street, M40 7SU

For

LK Remediate Ltd

6th April 2021

IMPORTANT

The purpose of this method statement is to discharge condition 3 and 4 of the decision notice issued by Manchester City Council, which read as follows:

3) No vegetation clearance shall take place during the optimum period for bird nesting (March - September inclusive) unless nesting birds and hedgehogs have been shown to be absent, or, a method statement for the removal works including for the protection of any nesting birds is agreed in writing by the City Council, Local Planning Authority. Any method statement shall then be implemented for the duration of the demolition works.

4) Prior to the tree removal works taking place at site, a tree removal strategy shall be submitted for approval in writing by the City Council, as Local Planning Authority. For the avoidance of doubt this shall include details of the timescales between the trees being felled to being removed from the site together with details to minimise sawing, cutting and chipping on site once trees have been felled. The agreed strategy shall be implemented for the duration of the works.

Any deviation from this statement, whether intended or inadvertent, may result in a breach of planning condition(s) and enforcement action may be taken.

All relevant legislation must be taken into consideration prior to the commencement of any works on site, particularly in relation to works to trees. Where statutory controls apply, including Tree Preservation Orders, Conservation Areas, the requirement for a Felling Licence, relevant planning conditions or any statute relating to wildlife protection or protected species, those both instructing and carrying out works that directly or indirectly affect trees must first satisfy themselves that all appropriate consents are in place or that notifications have been served and that statutory timescales have elapsed. Failure to do so is likely to result in enforcement action involving in some cases, criminal prosecution and substantial fines, as well as the potential cessation of all works on site until any and all breaches are fully rectified to the satisfaction of the local planning authority.

The contents of this statement in no way constitutes an instruction to proceed with any works without the full written consent of the relevant local planning authority.

NOTE TO LOCAL AUTHORITY: This document does not imply that Ascerta has been retained to oversee, supervise or manage any aspect of the tree protection proposals at any stage of the development.

Any queries in relation to this document should be referred in the first instance to Ascerta by telephone on 0845 463 4404 or alternatively by email at info@landscapetreeseecology.com

TREE REMOVAL STRATEGY

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Date : 06/04/2021

Strict adherence to this method statement is critical. Any deviation must first be authorised by the Site Supervisor.

Planned Task/Activity Description

- The removal of all trees onsite excluding eleven selected trees located on the perimeter of site. **These eleven trees are highlighted in green on the attached plan.**
- The removal of all waste from site (branches, logs, woodchip) as the job proceeds. No waste to be left on site.
- The removal of all stumps.

Location and Access (Attached plan as appropriate)

- Land both sides of Paget St - M40 7SU.

Working Environment & Restrictions

- No vegetation clearance shall take place during the optimum period for bird nesting (1st March - 31st August) unless nesting birds and hedgehogs have been shown to be absent.
- Large high density wooded fields surrounded by public roads and houses.
- Entire site to be sectioned off from adjacent footpaths and roads.

Protection of others

- Prior to the commencement of work, site boundaries will be erected. All ground staff are to remain vigilant for anyone entering the work site.
- Waste will be removed from site in a safe manner, no waste or hazards are to be left on site or near the roadside.

First Aid

- A team first aid kit will be carried in all vehicles used for these works.
- All tree climbers will carry personal first aid kits.
- Emergency kit bag will be positioned next to worksite.

Operatives/Competence

- These works will be carried out by operatives experienced in this type of work.
- All staff have received chainsaw training to NPTC or equivalent, or will be working under the direct supervision of trained staff.

Personal Protective Equipment:

All staff will possess the following:

- Chainsaw protective trousers (climbers to have type C)
- Helmets complete with eye protection and hearing protection
- Chainsaw protective boots with steel toe caps
- Gloves
- Hi visibility clothing
- Other PPE may be necessary dependent upon risk assessment

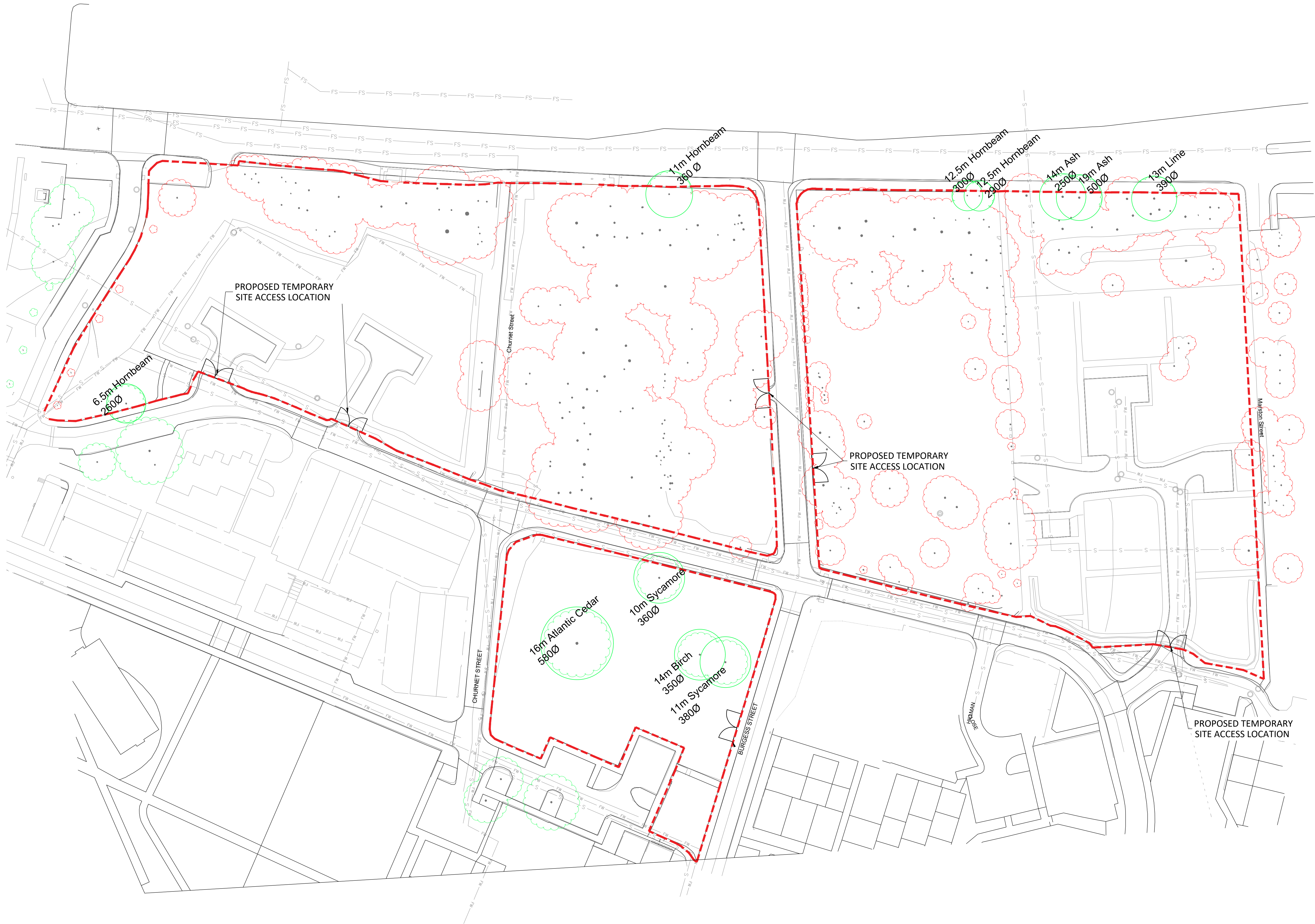
Plant & Equipment:

- Tree Shear/Harvester/Processor
- Various chainsaws as required
- Various woodchippers as required
- Climbing kits
- Assisted Felling Aids (ropes, pullies, felling bars, wedges, winches)
- Stump Grinder
- Excavator
- Grab Wagon
- Vans

Work Procedure / Strategy

1. Site contact made on arrival and induction undertaken.
2. Trees will be felled/climbed/sheared by certified workers following industry best practice.
3. Aerial rescue arrangements will be implemented (if applicable) as per agreed emergency procedures including installation of rescue line and rescue kit left adjacent to the tree being worked on.
4. Arisings from sectional felling will be lowered to ground level in a controlled manner or allowed to free fall where safe to do so, where ground staff will process into manageable sizes.
5. Branches will then be chipped immediately into the back of vehicles to be taken off site.
6. The stems will be cut up into manageable sizes and loaded onto vans by hand or by grab wagon if available.
7. All stumps will be ground out or pulled out and then mulched.
8. The area will then be tidied and site contact informed of job completion.

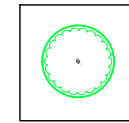
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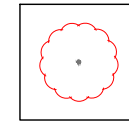
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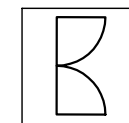
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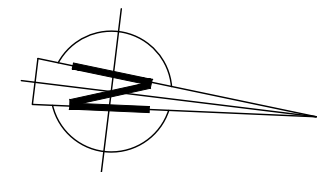
Existing tree to be retained



Existing tree to be removed



Proposed temporary site access location



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