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TREE SURVEY REPORT

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 The survey of trees and associated vegetation has been undertaken by Trevor Bridge Associates on behalf of Thelwells Limited. The survey was undertaken in April 2008.

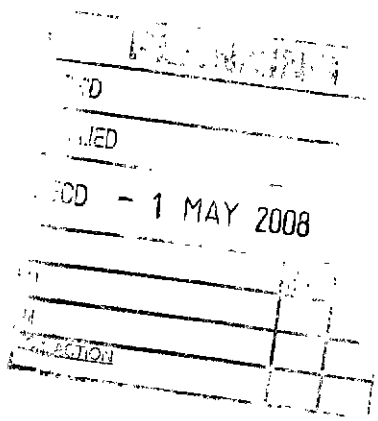
1.2 Before any work is undertaken to the existing trees the applicant/landowner must verify whether the site is protected by a Tree Preservation Order. Trees located off site cannot be assessed in terms of structural integrity without trespass. We recommend that the owners of adjacent trees employ an arboriculturist to assess the condition of their trees. The site should be re-inspected in twelve months' time to assess any environmental, biological or anatomical changes.

1.3 Each tree has been identified on the attached drawing. All trees have been inspected and categorised in accordance with guidelines contained within BS5837: 2005 Trees in Relation to Construction as follows:

Age Category

Y	Young – Young or self sown
SAP	Sapling – A tree not much larger than nursery origin. Could easily be replaced.
SM	Semi-mature - An established tree up to one third the expected ultimate height
EM	Early-mature - An established tree between one third and two thirds expected height.
M	Mature - An established tree more or less full height for species and site environment. May still be increasing in girth quite rapidly
OM	Over mature – More or less full height and girth. Increasing in size only slowly. Perhaps showing signs of decline.

Amenity Value **(see 2.0 Cascade Chart on following page)**



2.0 CASCADE CHART FOR TREE QUALITY ASSESSMENT

TREES FOR REMOVAL			
Category	**Criteria**		
'R' Those in such a condition that any existing value would be lost within 10 years and which should, in the current context, be removed for reasons of sound arboricultural management.	• Trees that have a serious irremediable structural defect, such that their early loss is expected due to collapse, including those that will become unviable after removal of other 'R' category trees (ie where, for whatever reason, the loss of companion shelter cannot be mitigated by pruning). • Trees that are dead or are showing signs of significant, immediate and irreversible overall decline. • Trees infected with pathogens of significance to the health and/or safety of other trees nearby (eg Dutch Elm disease) or very low quality trees suppressing adjacent trees of better quality. **NOTE:** Habitat reinstatement may be appropriate (eg 'R' category tree used as a bat roost, installation of bat box in nearby tree)		
TREES TO BE CONSIDERED FOR RETENTION			
	1. Mainly arboricultural values	**2. Mainly landscape values**	**3. Mainly cultural values, including conservation**
'A' **Those of high quality and value:** in such a condition as to be able to make a substantial contribution (a minimum of 40 years is suggested)	Trees that are particularly good examples of their species, especially if rare or unusual, or essential components of groups, or of formal or semi-formal arboricultural features (eg the dominant and/or principal trees within an avenue)	Trees, groups or woodlands which provide a definite screening or softening effect to the locality in relation to views into or out of the site, or those of particular visual importance (eg avenues or other arboricultural features assessed as groups)	Trees, groups or woodlands of significant conservation, historical, commemorative or other value (eg veteran trees or wood pasture)
'B' **Those of moderate quality and value:** in such a condition as to make a significant contribution (a minimum of 20 years is suggested)	Trees that might be included in the high category, but are downgraded because of impaired condition (eg presence of remediable defects including unsympathetic past management and minor storm damage)	Trees present in numbers, usually as groups or woodlands, such that they form distinct landscape features, thereby attracting a higher collective rating than they might as individuals but which are not, individually, essential components of formal or semi-formal arboricultural features (eg trees of moderate quality within an avenue that includes better 'A' category specimens) or trees situated mainly internally to the site, therefore individually having little visual impact on the wider locality	Trees with clearly identifiable conservation or other cultural benefits
'C' **Those of low quality and value:** currently in adequate condition to remain until new planting could be established (a minimum of 10 years is suggested) or young trees with a stem diameter below 150 mm	Trees not qualifying in higher categories	Trees present in groups or woodlands, but without this conferring on them significantly greater landscape value and/or trees offering low or only temporary screening benefit	Trees with very limited conservation or other cultural benefits
	NOTE: Whilst 'C' category trees will usually not be retained where they would impose a significant constraint on development, young trees with a stem diameter of less than 150 mm should be considered for relocation		

3.0 SCHEDULE

Tree No.	Species	Height (mtrs)	Stem dia. (mm at 1.5m)	Age	Height of crown clearance	Condition/Comments	Life Expy	Category grading
T1	Oak	22	950	M	4	Generally symmetrical crown form. Dominant crown class. Open balanced crown structure, high quality specimen. Located off site adjacent to Library.	35+	A1
T2	Oak	20	750	M	4	Major asymmetrical crown form. Co-dominant crown class. Tree dominated by T1, one sided crown structure. Located off site adjacent to Library.	35+	B1

Group/ Hedge No.	Species	Height (mtrs)	Stem dia. (mm at 1.5m)	Age	Height of crown clearance	Condition/Comments	Life Expy	Category grading
G1	Holly and shrubs	<8	<250	SM/ EM	0	Limited value, screening from wall and building. Located off site adjacent to war memorial.	30+	C1



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