

Grey Mare Lane

Arboricultural Addendum – 4 Turnpike Walk, Grey Mare Lane Estate Report for One Manchester Limited

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Executive Summary

Temple Ltd was commissioned 11th October 2023 by One Manchester Limited to use a previously undertaken ground level survey of trees that could be affected by proposed demolition and produce an addendum specific to possible tree impact at 4 Turnpike Walk, Grey Mare Lane Estate, Manchester. The addendum should be read in conjunction with document 'Grey Mare Lane Arboricultural Impact Assessment V3.0 Report for One Manchester Limited' of 19/10/2023, also produced by Temple.

A qualitative assessment of each tree was carried out according to British Standard BS 5837:2012, Trees in Relation to Design, Demolition and Construction– Recommendations.

The main findings of the survey are as follows:

- There were 3 individual trees in and adjacent to the proposed Turnpike Walk development site each described within Appendix 1 of this report.
- Two trees, T153 and T154, were attributed Category B status and one, T94, was attributed Category A status.
- A tree constraints check was carried out with Manchester City Council. It was confirmed none of the trees on site are subject to a Tree Preservation Order and there is no Conservation Area designation covering the site.
- None of these trees will require removal to facilitate the demolition works. It is proposed that they are protected with fencing as shown on the TPP attached.

1 Introduction

SCOPE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report has been produced in accordance with British Standard BS 5837:2012 Trees in Relation to Design, Demolition and Construction – Recommendations (hereafter referred to as BS 5837:2012). It provides information on the current condition of trees at the site, their suitability for retention, and the above and below ground constraints to development. It also evaluates the overall likely impact of the

proposed works on the existing tree presence at the site, as well as detailing any special engineering methods required to mitigate such impact.

- 1.2 Any clear structural flaws or hazards have been identified in the Schedule of Trees provided in Appendix 1. Preliminary recommendations for the management of retained trees are provided, but a full hazard risk assessment comprising a more comprehensive analysis of tree condition and potential risk to target areas is beyond the scope of this report. Any recommendations relating to the management of potentially hazardous trees should be carried out as soon as possible¹.

SITE CONTEXT AND STATUS

The site comprises a vacant 'T' shaped 2 storey block of 6no. flats at 4 Turnpike Walk on the Grey Mare Lane Estate in Beswick. It is understood that foundations and underground services will not form part of the demolition.

2 Methodology

TREE SURVEY

- 2.1 The tree survey was conducted in accordance with BS 5837:2012. Results are presented in the Schedule of Trees (Appendix 1).
- 2.2 Previous survey data was used as a basis for up-dating tree condition and the tree numbers from the previous survey were maintained. Data collected included: species listed by common name, tree dimensions including overall height, canopy spreads measured against the cardinal compass points, crown height, age class,

¹ All tree works should be undertaken by a suitably qualified Arboricultural Contractor. No arboricultural works to trees subject to planning constraints shall be carried out without the written consent of the relevant Local Planning Authority (LPA). Any proposed tree works should be undertaken in accordance with British Standard BS 3998:2010 Tree work - Recommendations. Works to trees that are the subject of a Tree Preservation Order or within a Conservation Area which are deemed to be dangerous under Regulation 14 of the Town and Country Planning (England) (Regulations) 2012 may under certain circumstances be undertaken without needing to seek the prior written consent of the LPA.

physiological condition, structural condition, life expectancy, root protection areas and preliminary management advice.

- 2.3 Each tree has also been assigned a category grade in accordance with BS 5837:2012 categories A, B, C and U ranging from high to low quality. Definitions of tree quality are provided in Table 2 Appendix 1.
- 2.4 A tree constraints plan, based on the original tree survey data and productions, is presented in Appendix 2 showing the RPAs (root protection areas) for the trees at 4 Turnpike Lane.
- 2.5 Each grading category has been highlighted using the colour key system as described in BS 5837:2012.
- 2.6 The site was visited on 11th October 2023, weather conditions were overcast with regular light rain.
- 2.7 Trees likely to be affected by works inside the red line boundary were visually assessed using the Visual Tree Assessment Method (VTA) (Mattheck and Breloer, 1994).
- 2.8 Stem diameters were measured using diameter tape. Canopy spreads were estimated by pacing and where possible, verified using a laser range finder. Height measurements were taken using a laser clinometer where possible. Where this was not possible, tree heights have been estimated.
- 2.9 Formal assessments of topography, drainage, service conduits and soil conditions including specific laboratory investigations of soil properties (i.e. plasticity index, moisture content, suction pressure) were not undertaken and are beyond the scope of this report.

DESK STUDY

- 2.10 A tree constraints check was undertaken with Manchester City Council by email to check for Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area restrictions to tree works in and adjacent to the site. It was established that none applied to the site.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- 2.11 Drawing Reference: 8782-BA-XX-00-DR-A-(04)-010- Demolition Plan was provided for the purposes of compiling this report. They included the layout of existing site features and the proposed general arrangements for the site, alongside a red line boundary.
- 2.12 No topographical survey was supplied by the client, so the previous tree survey was used to ensure accuracy.

PERSONNEL

- 2.13 This report was produced by Matthew Wilcox BSc (Hons) Dip Arb L4 (ABC) MArborA, who holds the Professional Tree Inspector (LANTRA) qualification. Matthew is an Arboricultural Consultant with over 10 years' experience within various sectors of arboriculture, working as a contractor and for local authorities.

LIMITATIONS

- 2.14 Only preliminary recommendations for tree management are provided. A full hazard risk assessment comprising a more comprehensive analysis of tree condition and potential risk to target areas is beyond the scope of this report.
- 2.15 CDM Designer Responsibilities: Our reports may include outline strategies or 'design advice' to support development proposals but, unless explicitly stated above, these are not to be construed as detailed designs under CDM regs. We do not assess the health and safety aspects of design advice which is the duty of designated designers under CDM. Designers' duties under CDM 2015 apply as soon as designs which may be included in construction work are started; hence this may include design concepts, options and outline designs. Our responsibility is to ensure relevant

information about our input is made available to other duty holders (under CDM 2015) who will be undertaking the design, including any health & safety assessments, or implementing the design.

- 2.16 The trees were inspected at ground level and no decay detection equipment was used. There is therefore a risk that any internal decay that may be present has gone undetected.
- 2.17 Of the trees surveyed, a total of two trees (T153 and T154) were situated in areas where access to the main stem was not possible. As such, assumptions have been made relating to dimensions of the main stem, and the overall condition is based upon the visible parts of the tree only.
- 2.18 Trees are living organisms and their health and condition change with time. Therefore, this assessment remains valid for 12 months from the date of inspection, or until a severe storm is experienced, after which time a new inspection is required. For the purposes of this report, a severe storm is defined as a period of violent weather, involving rain, hail, wind, snow, lightning or any combination of these, likely to cause damage to trees.
- 2.19 This addendum report includes only the demolition of the existing buildings, in the areas indicated on drawings supplied by the client. It does not encompass any construction work; it is understood that a second planning application associated with construction proposals will be submitted once design plans are finalised.

3 Results

TREE SURVEY

- 3.1 The results of the updated tree survey are provided in the Schedule of Trees in Appendix 1. A Tree Constraints/Protection Plan illustrating the BS 5837:2012 categories of each tree, their crown spreads, and RPAs is presented in Appendix 2.

3.2

DESK STUDY

- 3.3 It was confirmed that none of the trees on site are subject to a Tree Preservation Order and no Conservation Area designation covers the site.

ARBORICULTURAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 3.4 Based on Drawing Reference: 8782-BA-XX-00-DR-A-(04)-010- Demolition Plan, the impact of proposed demolition on the existing trees has been assessed.
- 3.5 Demolition should be undertaken in line with the recommendations of BS 5837: 2012 section 7.3.4 *"Where trees stand adjacent to structures to be removed, the demolition should be undertaken inwards within the footprint of the existing building (often referred to as "top down, pull back")"*.

It has been assumed that the height of all construction traffic or goods vehicles accessing the site will be within the standard minimum carriageway clearance of 5m (HSE, 2017).

TREE REMOVAL AND PRUNING

- 3.6 Trees T153 and T154 may require pruning from buildings by up to 2-3m in order to allow safe working space.
- 3.7 If pruning is deemed necessary, the amount of material removed, and the diameter of the final pruning cut, should be the minimum required for the purpose. Branches should be shortened rather than removed where appropriate. The final pruning cut should be positioned above an active bud or side branch.
- 3.8 All works must give due consideration to potential presence of protected species, including breeding birds, and roosting bats.
- 3.9 Arisings from tree works (e.g. wood piles and standing deadwood trunks) can provide valuable habitat for wildlife. As such, consideration should be given to their retention on site in areas unlikely to cause issues to public health and safety.

- 3.10 All tree pruning must be carefully planned and undertaken in accordance with BS 3998: 2010 Tree Work – Recommendations.

IMPACT ON VISUAL AMENITY AND LOCAL CHARACTER

- 3.11 The tree protection strategy as set out in this document will ensure protection of the trees to be retained on the site during demolition works.
- 3.12 Retention of the trees will ensure that there is no reduction in arboricultural visual amenity as a result of the proposed demolition works.

4 Conclusions

TREE RETENTION AND PROTECTION

- 4.1 No trees will require removal to facilitate the works.
- 4.2 The Tree Protection Plan (TPP), based on the erection of robust tree protection fencing prior to commencement of any works on site (including enabling works, soil stripping or other site preparation operations) will ensure the roots of retained trees are protected from damage.
- 4.3 It is therefore concluded that overall tree impact associated with the demolition works as proposed is low.

CONTACT DETAILS

- 4.4 This Arboricultural Impact assessment is accompanied by a list of known contact details for all relevant parties and is included in Table 4.

Table 4: List of contact details for all relevant parties

Contact	Name	Company or Local Authority name	Contact Number	Report Issued Yes/No
Client	Lynne Pearson	One Manchester Limited	-	Yes
Arboricultural Consultant	Matthew Wilcox	Temple Ltd	07484 539005	Yes

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Appendix 1: Schedule of Trees

Table 1: Schedule of Trees and Tree Quality Assessment*

* See Table 3 for key to terms

** See Table 2 for definitions of categories

No	Species	Ht.	S	St. 1.5m	Canopy Spread				Cr. CI	Ls	SC	PC	Comments /Observation	Preliminary Management Advice	LE	Cat **	RPAm 2	RPA r
					N	S	E	W										
T1 – T77													Not part of survey revision.					
T77	Birch	10	1	340	5	5	5	5	1	EM	Good	Good	On grass bank.	None.	20+ years	B2	52.3	4.1
T78	Common lime	10	1	490	5	5	5	5	2	EM	Good	Good	Epicormic growth at base. In planting pit in paved area.	None.	20+ years	A2	108.6	5.9
T79	Common lime	10	1	440	5	5	5	5	2	EM	Good	Good	Epicormic growth and elder at base. In planting pit in paved area.	None.	20+ years	A2	87.6	5.3
T80 – T81													Not part of survey.					
T82	Birch	10	1	328	3.5	3.5	3.5	2.5	2	SM	Good	Good	Exposed roots, slight lean to the east.	None.	20+ years	B2	48.7	3.9
T83	Sycamore	12	1	450	4.5	4.5	2.5	4.5	1.5	EM	Good	Good	Crown close to adjacent building. Suppressed on one side by adjacent tree.	None.	40+ years	A2	91.6	5.4
T84	Cherry	12	1	370	3	3	3	3	1	EM	Fair	Fair	Unable to access, estimated. Encroaching on adjacent building.	None.	20+ years	B2	61.9	4.4

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					N	S	E	W										
T85 – T93													Not part of survey.					
T94	Horse chestnut	11	1	430	3	3	3	3	1	EM	Good	Good	Two wounds on west side of stem, good reaction wood present.	None.	40+ years	A2	83.6	5.2
T95	Apple	4	1	210	2	2	2	2	1	SM	Fair	Fair	Unable to access, estimated.	None.	20+ years	B2	20	2.5
T96 – T125													Not part of survey.					
T126	Ash	13	1	520	4	6	6	6	2	SM	Good	Fair	Exposed roots close to stem base. Minor deadwood and a small amount of epicormic growth in the inner crown. A sign of potential early onset Ash dieback.	Monitor yearly in summer for Ash Dieback.	20+ years	B2	122.3	6.2
T127 – T129													Not part of survey.					
T130	Swedish whitebeam	5	1	330	3	3	3	2.5	1.5	SM	Good	Good	Crown Close to adjacent building and lamp post. Maiden form.	None.	20+ years	B2	49.3	4

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					N	S	E	W										
T131 - T134													Not part of survey.					
T135	Sycamore	12	1	590	5.5	3.5	5.5	5.5	4	EM	Good	Good	The tree has been crown lifted recently, pruning wounds have not occluded, otherwise maiden form.	None.	40+ years	A2	157.5	7.1
T136	Swedish whitebeam	7	1	510	2.5	3	3	3	1	SM	Good	Good	Maiden form.	None.	20+ years	B2	117.7	6.1
T137 - T142													Not part of survey.					
T143	Birch	11	1	430	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	2	SM	Good	Good	Adjacent to the demolition site.	None.	20+ years	B2	83.6	5.2
T144 - T145													Not part of Survey.					
T148	Norway maple	3	1	80	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0	Y	Good	Good	Newly planted in tree pit.	None.	10+ years	C1	2.9	1
T149	Norway Maple	3	1	80	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0	Y	Good	Good	Newly planted in tree pit.	None.	10+ years	C1	2.9	1
T150	Norway maple	3	1	80	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0	Y	Good	Good	Newly planted in tree pit.	None.	10+ years	C1	2.9	1

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					N	S	E	W										
T151	Apple	2	1	210	1	1	1	1	0	M	Fair	Fair	Unable to access, estimated.	None.	10+ years	C1	20	2.5
T152	Birch	4	1	100	1	1	1	1	0	Y	Fair	Fair	Self-set birch grown through fence.	None.	10+ years	C1	4.5	1.2
T153	Apple	9	1	300	3	3	3	3	0	M	Fair	Fair	Unable to access, estimated.	None	20+ years	B2	40.7	3.6
T154	Apple	9	1	300	3	3	3	3	0	M	Fair	Fair	Unable to access, estimated.	None	20+ years	B2	40.7	3.6
T155	Apple	4	1	210	2	2	2	2	1	SM	Fair	Fair	Unable to access, estimated. Covered in creeper.	None	10+ years	C1	20	2.5

Table 2: BS: 5837 2012 Tree Quality Assessment Definitions

TREES FOR REMOVAL		
Category & Definition	Criteria	Identification on Plan
Category U Those in such a condition that they cannot realistically be retained as a living tree in the context of the current land use for longer than 10 years.	- 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 U category trees (i.e. 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 or irreversible overall decline. - Trees infected with pathogens of significance to the health and or safety of other trees nearby by or very low quality trees suppressing adjacent trees of better quality.	RED

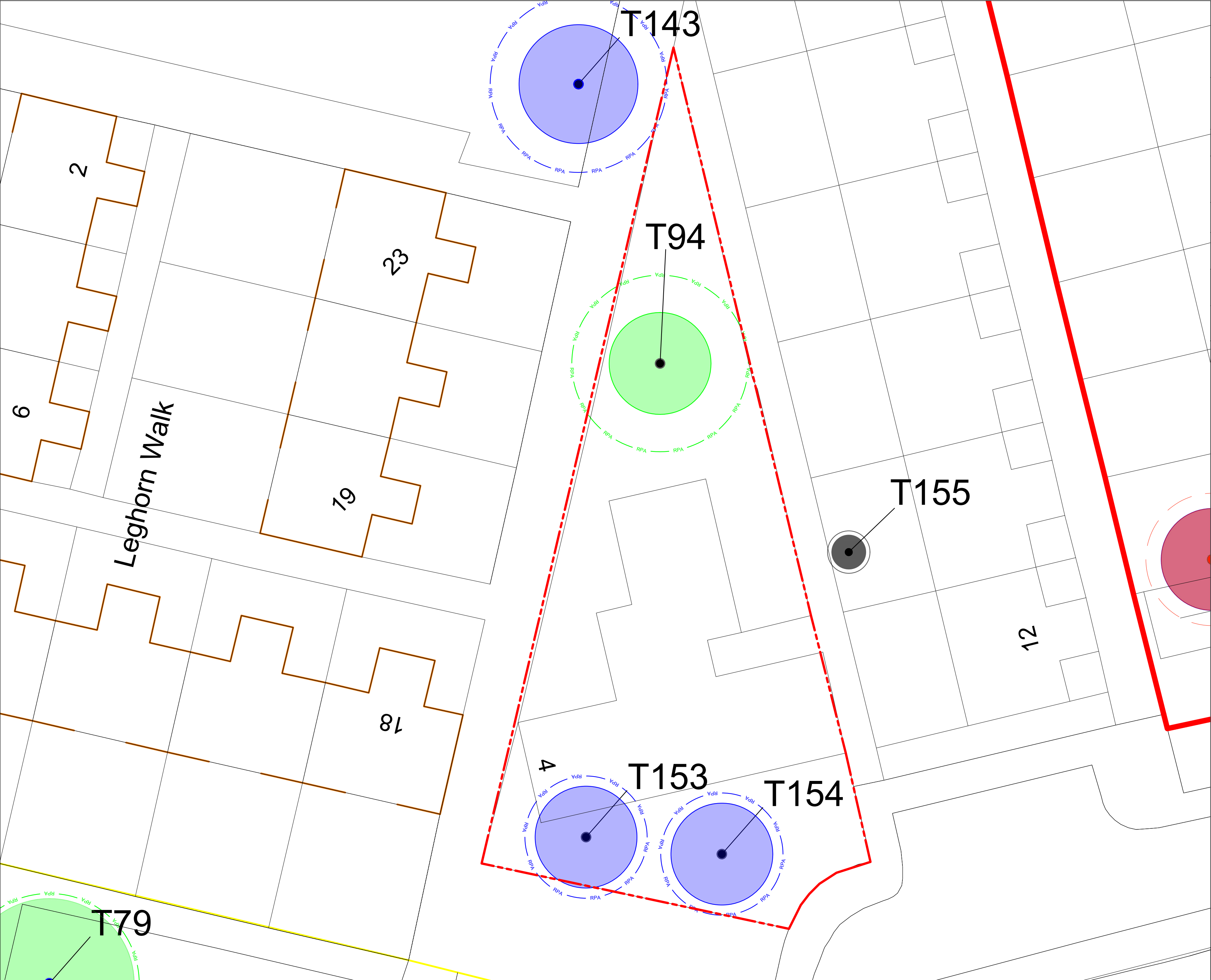
TREES TO BE CONSIDERED FOR RETENTION				
Category & Identification	1 Mainly arboricultural values	2 Mainly landscape values	3 Mainly cultural values including conservation	Identification on plan
Category A Trees of High Quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 40 years	Trees that are a particularly good example of their species, especially if rare or unusual, or essential components of groups or of formal or semi-formal arboricultural features e.g. the dominant and/or principal trees in an avenue)	Tree groups or woodlands of particular visual importance as arboricultural and/or landscape features.	Tree groups or woodlands of significant conservation historical, commemorative or other value (e.g. veteran trees or wood pasture)	GREEN
Category B Trees of moderate quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 20 years.	Trees that might be included in the high category but are downgraded because of impaired condition (e.g. presence of remediable defects including unsympathetic past management and minor storm damage).	Trees present in numbers, usually as groups or woodlands such that they attract a higher collective rating than they might as individuals: or trees occurring as collectives but situated so as to make little visual contribution to the wider locality.	Trees with material conservation or other cultural benefits.	BLUE

TREES TO BE CONSIDERED FOR RETENTION				
Category & Identification	1 Mainly arboricultural values	2 Mainly landscape values	3 Mainly cultural values including conservation	Identification on plan
Category C Trees of a low quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 10 years or young trees with a stem diameter below 150mm	Unremarkable trees of very limited merit or such impaired condition that they do not qualify 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/transient landscape benefits.	Trees with no material conservation or other cultural benefits.	GREY

Table 3: Key Schedule of Trees

Column Heading	Explanation
Tree No	Sequential number corresponding to number on plan.
Species	English names.
Ht.	Height in metres.
S	Number of main stems.
St. 1.5 (Stem Diameter)	Stem diameter when measured in accordance with Annex C of BS 5837:2012.
NSEW	Crown radius in metres to cardinal points of the compass.
Cr. Cl. (Crown Clearance)	Height in metres between the ground and underside of canopy.
Ls.	Life stage definitions. Y= Young. SM = Semi-mature. EM = Early mature. M = Mature. OM = Over mature.
SC	Brief description of structural condition.
PC	Brief description of physiological condition.
Preliminary Advice	Preliminary tree works advice and recommendations.
LE	Estimated remaining useful life contribution in years. <10, 10+, 20+ and 40+ yr.
Cat. (Category)	Categorisation grading in accordance with BS 5837 2012. Trees suitable for retention: - Category A trees of high quality and amenity value. Category B trees of moderate quality and amenity value. Category C trees of low quality or amenity value. British Standards BS 5837:2012 recommends that these categories may be further broken down into sub-categories A1 A2 A3 pertaining to Arboricultural, Landscape or Cultural values respectively.
RPA m²	Root Protection Area (RPA). Indicative area around a tree measured in m ² and calculated in accordance with Annex C of BS 5837:2012 deemed to contain sufficient rooting volume to maintain the viability of a tree and where the protection of roots and soil structure is treated as a priority.
RPA r	Root Protection Area (RPA) radius calculation centred on the base of the tree and calculated in accordance with Annex C of BS 5837:2012

Appendix 2: Tree Constraints/Protection Plan





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Job title			Grey Mare Lane Job 10246		
Client			One Manchester Ltd		
Map title			Tree Constraints Plan		
Scale (at A2)		1:500			
Date of survey		11/10/2023			
Surveyor		Matthew Wilcox			
Drawn CJH	Approved JW	Date 05/03/2024			

Legend



Crown spread of category A - Trees with high quality and value



Crown spread of category B - Trees with high quality and value



Crown spread of category C - Trees with high quality and value



RPA

Root Protection Area (RPA) of Category A Trees



RPA

Root Protection Area (RPA) of Category B Trees



RPA

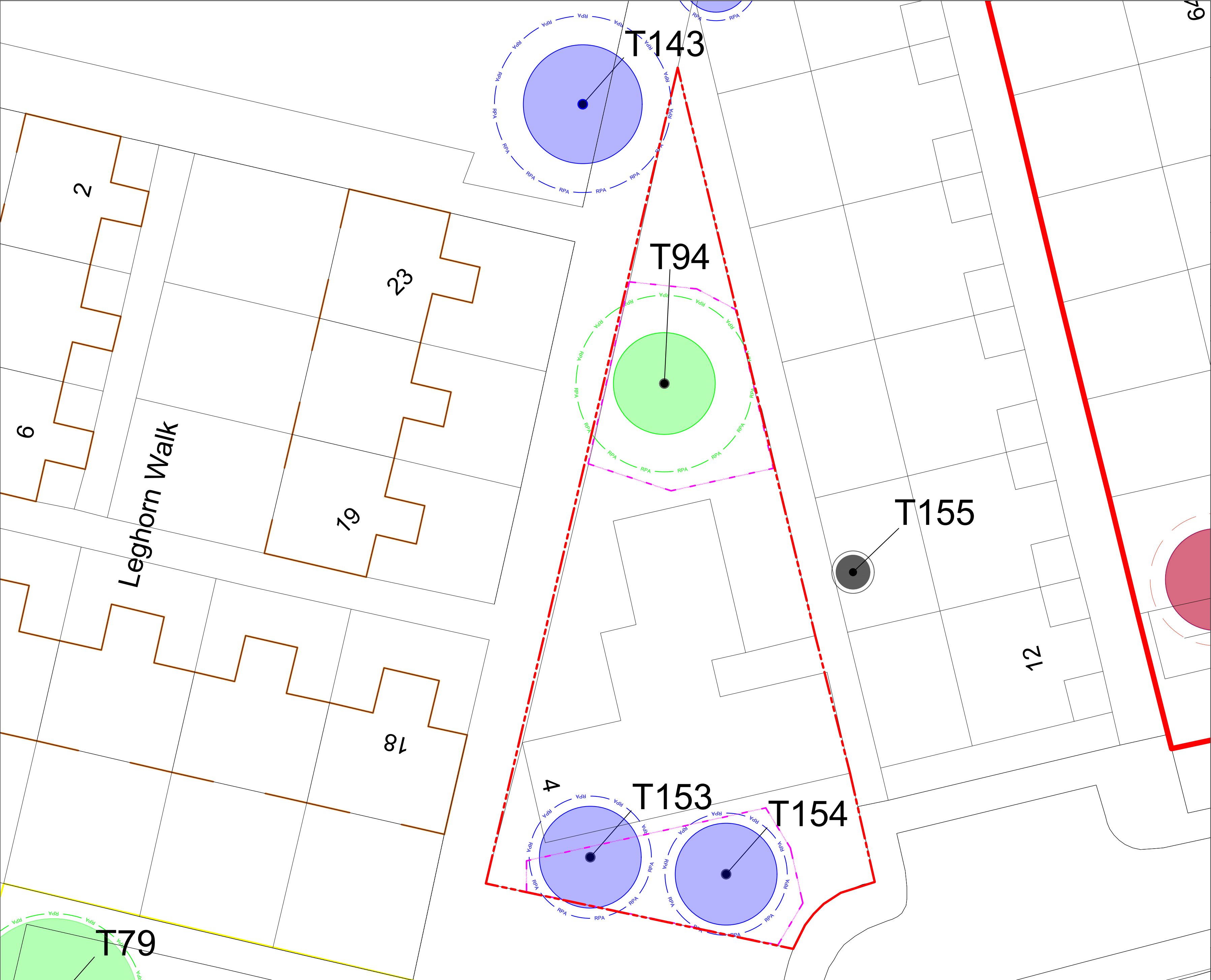
Root Protection Area (RPA) of Category C Trees



Site Boundary



This plan is provided solely for the purpose of supporting the description of the arboricultural features of the site as contained in the accompanying report





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Job title

Grey Mare Lane
Job 10246

Client

One Manchester Ltd

Map title

Tree Protection Plan

Scale
(at A2)

1:150

Date of survey

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Surveyor

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Approved

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Legend



Crown spread of category A - Trees with high quality and value



Crown spread of category B - Trees with high quality and value



Crown spread of category C - Trees with high quality and value



RPA

Root Protection Area (RPA) of Category A Trees



RPA

Root Protection Area (RPA) of Category B Trees



RPA

Root Protection Area (RPA) of Category C Trees

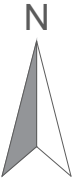


Protective Fencing

BS5837:2012 Tree Protection Fencing



Demolition Boundary



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Appendix 3: Glossary of Terms

Glossary of Terms

Term	Explanation
Arboricultural impact assessment and method statement (AIA)	Evaluation of direct and indirect effects of a proposed design and/or construction.
Arboricultural Method Statement (AMS)	Methodology for the implementation of any aspect of development that is in the root protection area or has the potential to result in the loss of or damage to a tree to be retained.
Branch structure	Qualitative description of formation of main framework of limbs and branches.
Canopy face	Orientation of canopy relative to cardinal points of the compass
Canopy radius	A measurement taken from the centre of a tree to the furthest radial extension of tree canopy relative to the cardinal points of the compass.
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.
Conservation Area	Local Planning Authority special designation generally prohibiting tree works without 6 weeks prior written notification.
Construction Exclusion Zone (CEZ)	Area based upon the calculated root protection area prohibiting access.
Cavity	Open and exposed aperture where wood tissue has internally degraded.
Constraints check	Formal search of local authority records to determine legal and statutory constraints on tree works.
Crown lifting	Removal of lower branches to achieve a stated vertical clearance above ground level or other surface.
Crown reduction	Pruning of a trees canopy in both height and width.
Decay	Deterioration and breakdown of tree wood fibres resulting in structural and/or physiological dysfunction of a tree.
Dieback	Continual decline and death of wood tissue including twigs and branches.
Epicormic growth	Growth that emerges from dormant buds along the trunk and branches of a tree.
Failure	Description of structural failure or wood fibres including fracture of branches, limbs and main stems.
Fork	Area or point of union between one or more limbs or branches.

Glossary of Terms

Term	Explanation
Hazard Risk Assessment	Qualitative and quantitative appraisal of the potential for tree failure and the possible risk of harm or damage to persons or property.
Local Planning Authority	Body responsible for the administration of Statutory duties relating to Development Management.
Multi-stem	A single tree formed from 2 or more codominant main stems
Occlusion	Wood development enclosing an extant wound or pruning cut.
Pruning	The targeted removal of branches or limbs using saws or other tools.
Physiological Condition	Observation relating to a trees physiology for example vigour, leaf area, growth rate, the presence of pests or disease.
Root Protection Area	Root Protection Area (RPA). Indicative area around a tree deemed to contain sufficient rooting volume to maintain the viability of a tree.
Shelter belt	A wind break normally made up of one or more trees planted in such a way to provide cover from the wind.
Structural Condition	Observation relating to a trees structural integrity and the presence of any physical defects.
Suppressed	Where a trees development has been influenced or effected by the presence of competing vegetation.
Tree Constraints Plan	A scaled plan indicating above and below ground constraints relating to the protection of trees
Tree Preservation Order	A legal order made by the local planning authority protecting specific trees in the interests of amenity.
Visual Tree Assessment (VTA)	A method of assessment based upon the research developed to recognise dynamic responses of a tree to its surroundings.
'V' Shaped Branch Union	The union point between two branches that have grown at a tight angle, forming the 'V' shape. This structure is inherently weaker than the 'U' shaped union.
'U' Shaped Branch Union	The union point between two branches that have grown at a wider angle, forming the 'U' shape. This structure is considered to be the strongest and most optimised shape that a union can form.

Appendix 5: Tree Protection Fencing Specification and Examples of Warning Signage

Figure 2 Default specification for protective barrier

