

DESIGN NOTES:

Confirmation of tree protection status has been requested from the Local Authority, an update on the status of the subject trees will be provided once a response has been received.

It is however expected that none of the subject trees are protected by Tree Preservation Order.

However, as the trees are presumably owned by the Local Authority, prior permission for removal may be required.

Category B trees

Trees of moderate value that may be considered suitable for protection by TPO.

Tree T3

This tree is located on the western site boundary within a hedgerow that has been fenced off with security fencing.

The tree appears to be of good form and is visible from Jubilee Crescent to the west.

The Rooting zone of this tree extends into the area of proposed development and as such precautions will be required to avoid damage to the tree, with all proposed works adhering to BS5837.

The proposed hard surfacing within the RPA of this tree will ideally need to be permeable and built up over existing ground level.

It would be preferable to minimise the extent of hard surface incursion within the RPA, with as much soft landscaping retained as possible.

Category C Trees

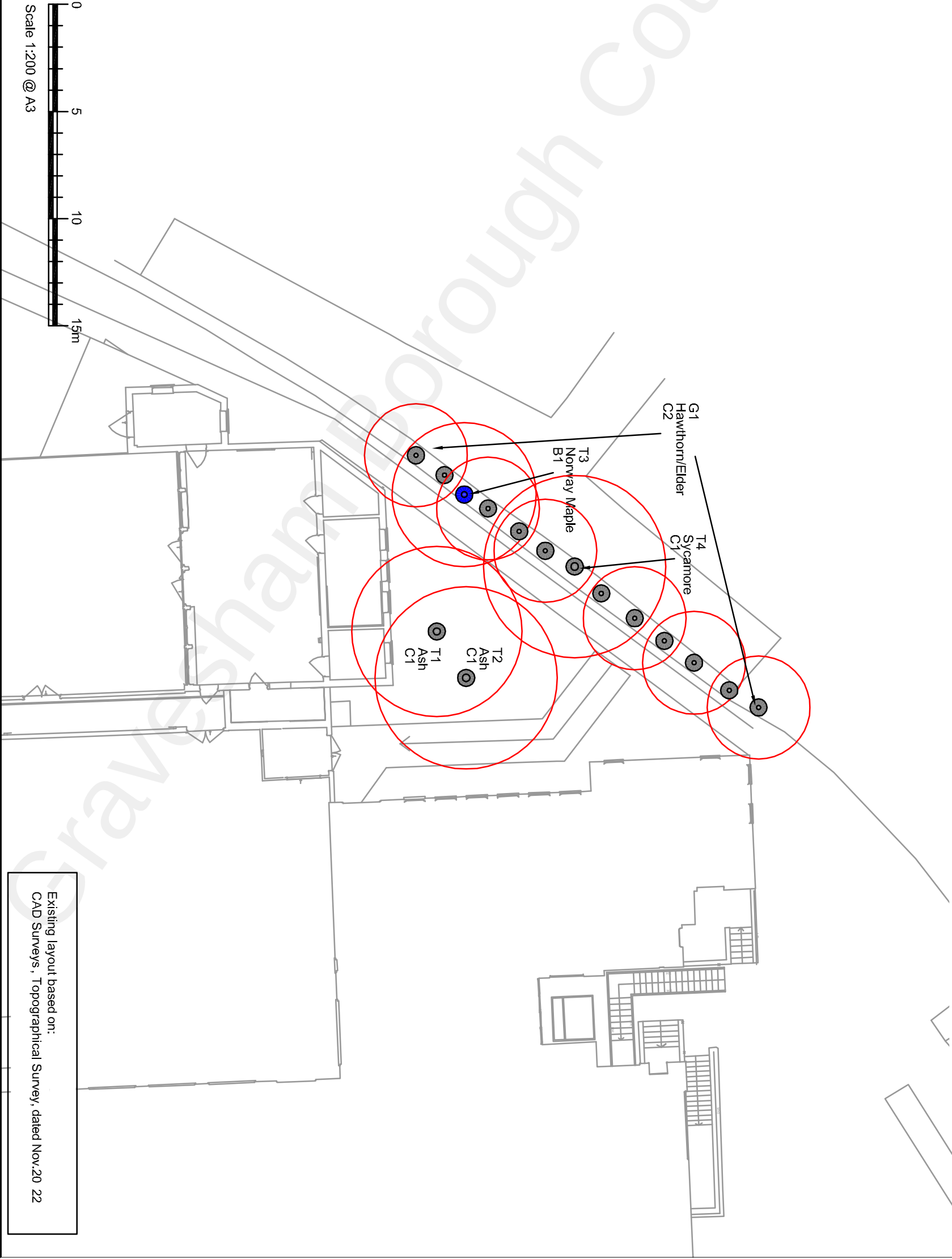
Trees T1, T2, T4 These trees are of low value and are likely to be considered to be acceptable to remove to accommodate proposals. If retained the same considerations will be required as advised for tree T3.i.e. permeable surfacing built over existing ground levels.

In order to comply with the British Standard the surfacing should not exceed 20% of the existing unsurfaced RPA. The proposals as currently designed show over 50% incursion into the RPA of T2, as such it is likely that this tree would need to be shown for removal for the purposes of planning.

Due to the proximity of T1 to the building and the tree not being of particularly good form, it may be worth considering the removal of both T1 and T2, with replacement specimen trees provided on the area of grass to the front of the nursery. This would also help facilitate construction.

Trees G1 These trees form a boundary hedgerow, this provides valuable screening, as well as habitat. Although of low arboricultural value it would be viewed positively by planning if this group was retained, as such the same principles for any proposed surfacing (or re-surfacing) within the RPA's will apply i.e. fully permeable and built over existing ground level (or within the depth of any existing surfacing).

Details of the arboricultural constraints presented on the site are for the client and design team only.
It is recommended that this information is not submitted to the Local Authority



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TREE CONSTRAINTS PLAN

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Ref: WC/TCPI2068-02
Scale: 1:200 @ A3

Category B Tree - Moderate Value
Provide a positive contribution to current setting, may be considered of such value as to warrant protection by TPO.
Ideally retained within proposals, with design ensuring that all proposed works comply with BS5837 - see Design Notes

Root Protection Area (RPA)

- Ideally no excavations or level changes permitted.
- Up to 20% of existing unsurfaced RPA may be surfaced using 'No-dig'/permeable surfacing in accordance with BS5837.
- Piled foundations may be acceptable, assuming existing ground levels are maintained.

Where development is proposed within RPA's further arboricultural advice will be required.