

Hi Kayleigh,

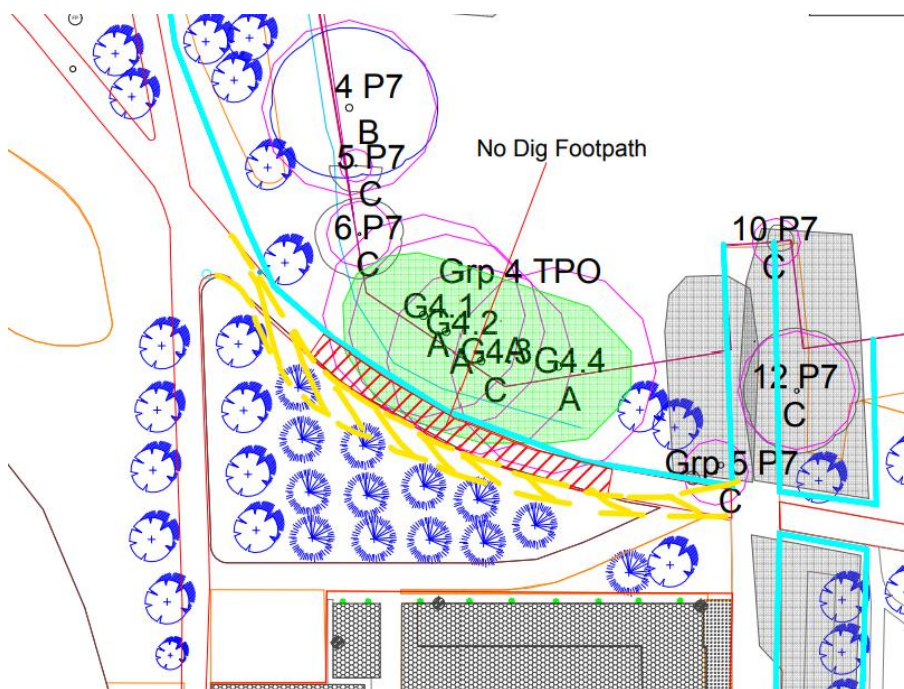
Thanks for the opportunity to comment on the proposals for Town Park, Berewood.

The proposal looks to be well treed and this is welcome. The planting of significant numbers will mitigate for the loss of those cited in the proposal.

The method statement reference Ref: May 2024 JFA9524 is generally fine and is to be conditioned in full subject to three points please:

1. Category A trees are ideally retained without disturbance. There is a footpath proposed over the RPA of G4 – a group of 4 TPO'd yew trees of significant girth. Even though this is proposed with a no-dig solution, it would be far preferable to have it installed further south, away from the RPA of the trees:

The path can easily be moved south to completely avoid the root plates of these important trees: new line indicated in yellow below:



I would urge this is done as it removed the potential for damage to the most important part of the RPA. It will mean the relocation of one or two new plantings but there is plenty of scope for this away from existing trees.

2. Similarly, any formalisation of the path to the west of T1 – also an A category tree, is to be done without impact and in full consultation with the LPA Tree officer PRIOR to any works starting.
3. Finally, it would be helpful to quantify the number of trees or the area of trees and hedges lost from the groups – square meterage or similar will help to determine the mitigation replacement period. It also helps to ensure that there is no unnecessary loss as it will be more finely quantified.

Happy to discuss, many thanks,
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Advance notice of leave: none



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