

Tree Protection Method Statement

7 Castle Avenue, Emsworth, Hampshire, PO9 2RY

Ground Protection is required within the Root Protection Area of the trees show on the Tree Plan as dash blue lines, but not on the drive. The barrier should be non-climb Heras Rail or Chestnut Paling, supported in proprietary concrete or plastic bases. All materials should be stored away from these areas to prevent compacting the soil which may cause damage to the roots. No personnel or storage is permitted within the RPA's.

The access to this property over the driveway is between 2 Grade B (moderate) Trees, 2 Grade U (fell) Trees and a Grade C (low) Tree. There is some low hanging branch across the drive but this would not be touched by standard size vans and cars. If a vehicle is tall enough to touch and therefore cause a risk of damaging the branch, the vehicle should be left on the road and materials brought in by hand or using smaller vehicles. The roots of the tree are almost certainly beneath the drive and heavy vehicles crossing this area will compact the soil further and may cause damage to the roots. As the overhanging branch will restrict large, heavy vehicles it's unlikely that damage due to the construction will occur, but if a heavy vehicle can access the site without damaging the branch the area of the driveway beneath the tree crown will have to be protected. The protection should be by way of a temporary three dimensional cellular confinement system such as Geocell from Terram or similar.