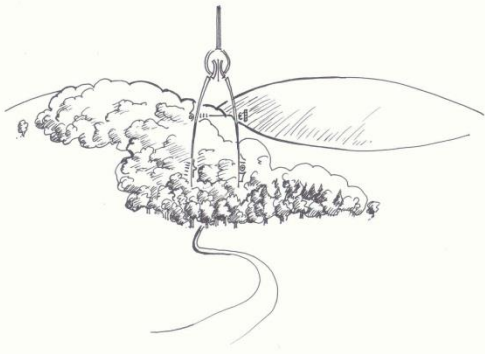




Arboricultural Method Statement for

76 Bosmere Gardens, PO10 7NR

To BS 5837:2012

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1. PURPOSE OF DOCUMENT

This site is proposed for development and there is a requirement to assess the impact of the development on the trees, for submission to the Local Planning Authority. A method statement (with replanting proposals), is included for the process to proceed smoothly within the conditions that will be set out on consent. The document is to be consulted and the actions implemented before, during, and after the build.

2. CONTENTS OF DOCUMENT

2.1. This document is written to comply with British Standard 5837:2012, the current industry standard. I am the owner of a licenced copy.

2.2. Contents:

4.0 Tree Schedule- Listing the trees.

5.0 Preliminary constraints –describing the trees.

6.0 Method Statement-What will happen to the trees.

7.0 Tree Protection Plan- A plan of the site showing trees and protection.

3.0 COMPETENCE. I am a professional silviculturalist with 32 years' experience of surveying trees and woodland. I use standard, repeatable methodologies to assess trees for Planning Permission, Safety, Development, Protection, Wildlife and Timber. In this instance British Standard 5837:2012 is an appropriate method of assessment. I am insured by my NFU all risks policy.

4.0 TREE SCHEDULE

Under the terms of the British Standard, these data must be presented “as is”, that is to say, without the intended development having any bearing on the descriptions. RPA stands for Root Protection Area, and DBH stands for Diameter at Breast Height.

Tree & number	Ht m	DBH cm	Canopy Spread m	RPA (m radius)	Condition, quality, BS Category	Description
1 LAWSONS CYPRESS	9	82 calc'd	1.5 all round	9.84	Good condition, mature quiescent. C Category	Not a significant. Tree, with little contribution to the Treescape of this housing estate.
2 ASH	8	48 calc'd	3m all round 2.5m clearance	5.76	Good condition female, young tree with three main stems at 2m. A category.	A healthy young tree with excellent landscape potential.

5.0 PRELIMINARY CONSTRAINTS

5.1 Preliminary Constraints are a list of what may affect the trees on the site. The local plan states that there is a presumption of retaining trees, but there are no Tree Preservation Orders on the site, and it is not within a Conservation area. In the absence of such statutory control, therefore, there are clear arboricultural decisions to make, and clear opportunities to use the proposed build as a way of improving the Treescape.

5.2 The Lawson's Cypress makes little contribution to the Treescape of this estate; it has stopped growing and would be better replaced with a native, medium sized tree of greater interest.

5.3 The Ash is on a neighbouring Title, but has over 40% of its RPA within this property, and potentially affected by the build. It is young, and of good shape, and in the absence of Chalara disease it will grow to a Site-defining tree.

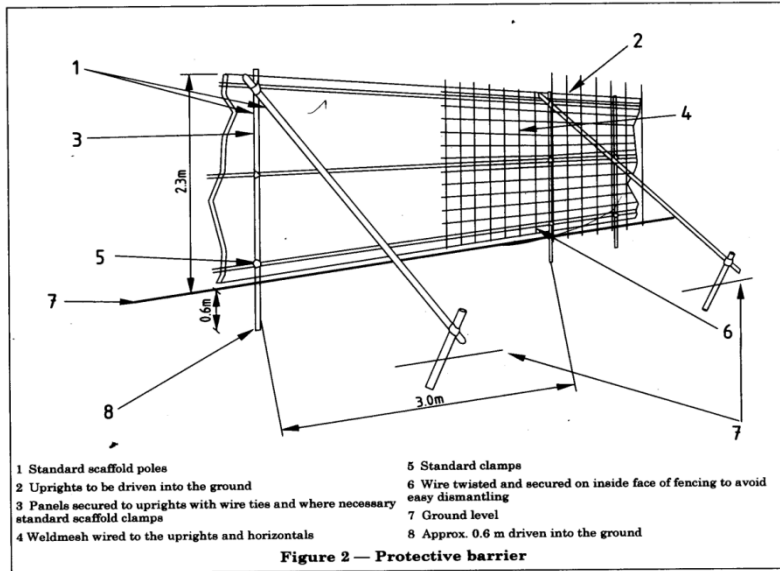
6.0 METHOD STATEMENT

6.1 The Lawson's Cypress will be felled, and the roots removed before any building work starts.

6.2 The Ash will be protected by a fence, to the specification below, and positioned according to the Tree Protection Plan along the perimeter of the Root Protection Area that runs on the development site. The RPA area has a radius of 5.76 metres. This installation and specification will be supervised by the author of this report.

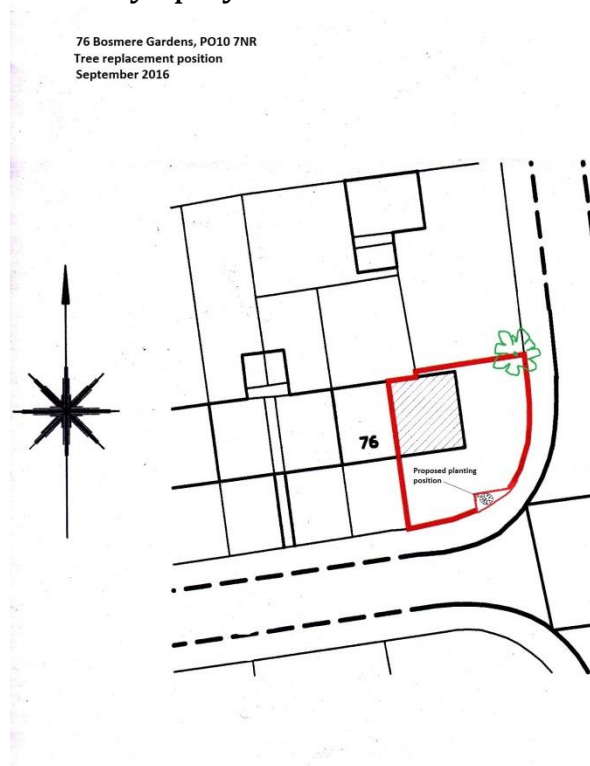
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6.3 Fence specification from the British Standard, this can be varied but the standard must remain the same and be inspected by the author before being used.

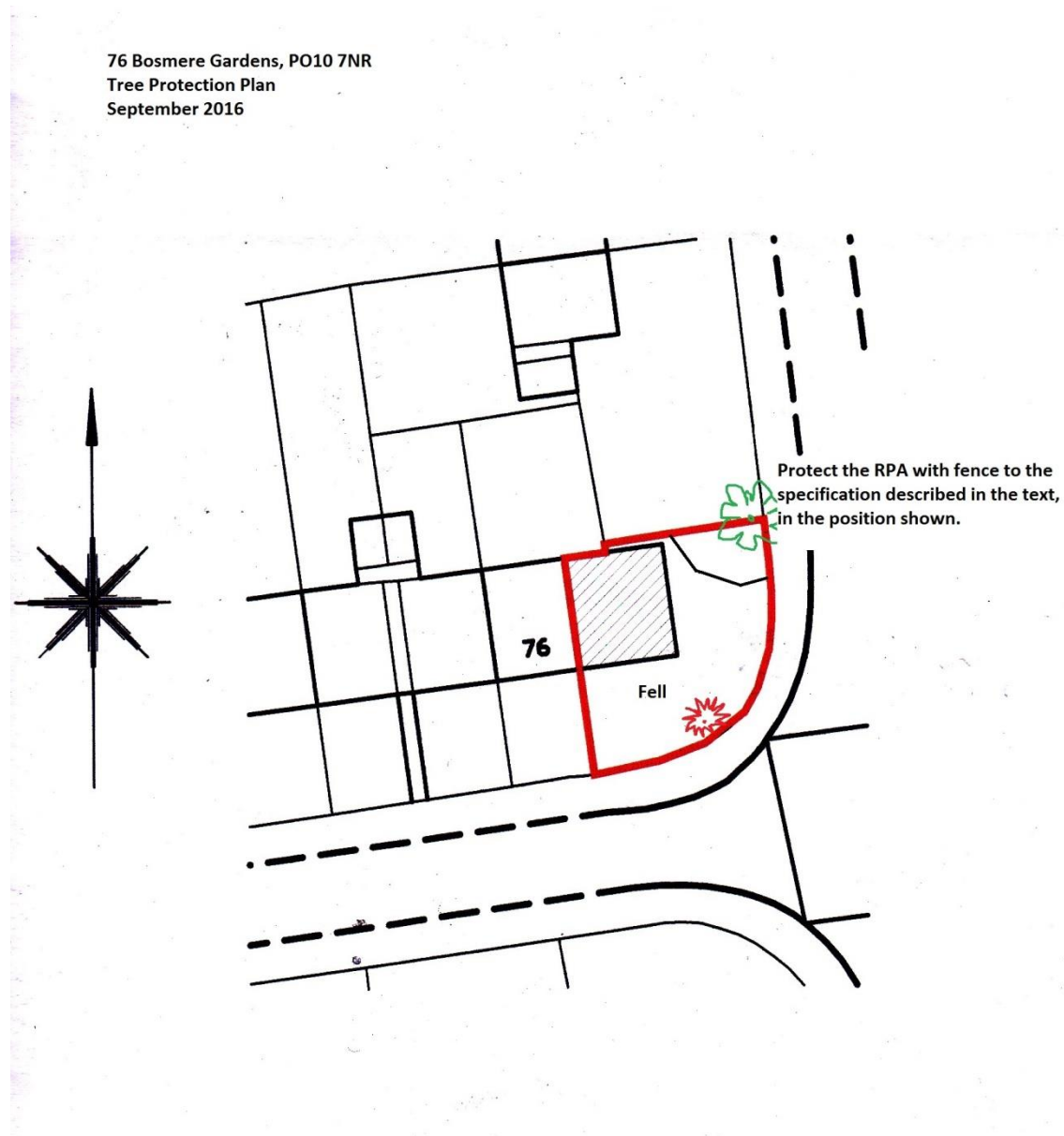


6.4 REPLACEMENT PLANTING

To replace the loss of the felled tree, a Field Maple at Heavy Standard size will be planted at the position shown on the Drawing below, after consultation and confirmation by the architect. The tree will be planted according to the Horticultural Trades Association recommended methods and will be supported by a stake, and protected by a stem-cage of wood. This method and position improves the entrance visibility splay.



7.0 TREE PROTECTION PLAN- A plan of the site showing trees and protection.



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