

Land to the Side of

1 Highfield Parade

Preliminary Tree Statement

As part of the preliminary assessment for the proposed development, a mature tree has been identified approximately 12.5 metres from the nearest point of the proposed construction. The tree is located to the east of the development area and sits outside the immediate footprint of the development works.

Given the distance of 12.5 metres, the tree is unlikely to be significantly impacted by the proposed development. Typically, the root protection area (RPA) of a tree can be calculated based on its stem diameter, but in general, this distance is beyond the usual RPA for most trees, assuming no exceptional root spread or species-specific factors.

Methods of Protection:

Tree Protection Fencing: Prior to any site works commencing, tree protection fencing in accordance with BS 5837:2012 (Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction – Recommendations) will be installed at the edge of the RPA, or a minimum of 12.5m radius from the tree unless otherwise directed by an arboriculturist.

Site Access and Storage Restrictions: No storage of materials, machinery, or vehicular movements will be permitted within the tree's RPA.

Monitoring and Supervision: If there is any encroachment within the 12.5m zone during development, a qualified arboricultural consultant will supervise any activity to ensure root and canopy protection.

Conclusion:

At this preliminary stage, it is considered that the tree is sufficiently distant from the proposed development to avoid direct or indirect harm, provided standard tree protection measures are followed. A full Arboricultural Impact Assessment (AIA) will be carried out prior to commencement to confirm and detail these findings.