

# TREE SURVEY & CONSTRAINTS PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH BS 5837:2012

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Once the final design is settled it will be necessary to complete an 'Arboricultural Impact Assessment and Preliminary Method Statement' (Prelim TS & AIA) which will form part of the planning application submission. The Prelim TS & AIA will also provide more detailed information regarding tree surgery and pests and diseases etc.

NB: This report is for design guidance only and not sufficient to support a planning application

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## TREE PROTECTION STATUS

Hayden's sourced TPO & Conservation Area status from the Local Planning Authority's Online Mapping System on 07/12/23 . We were informed that:

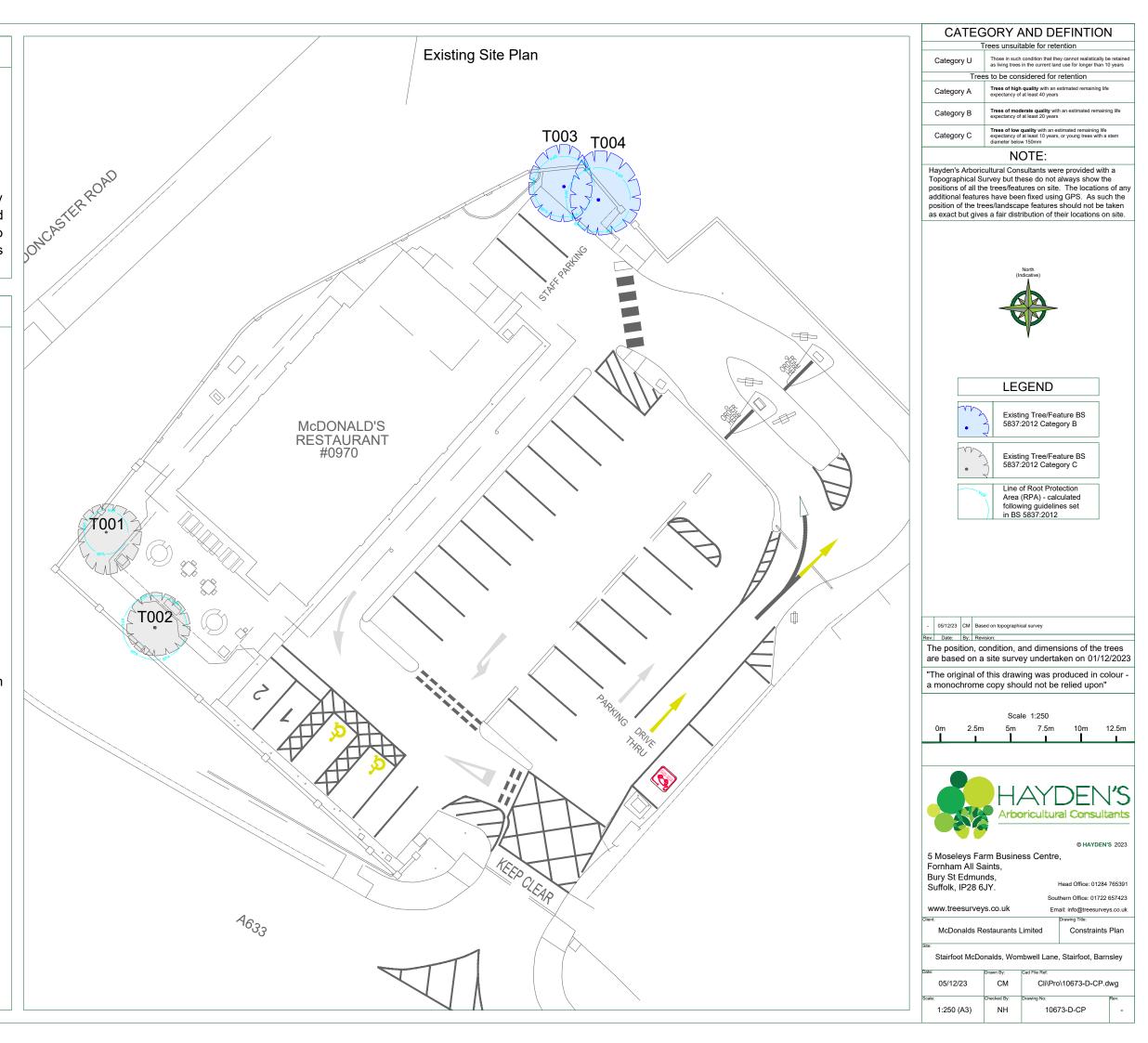
- No TPO's are present on site
- The site is not located within a conservation area

We would advise it prudent that before any tree work commences, this is checked directly with the Local Planning Authority to confirm that their online mapping system is definitive.

### **CONSTRAINTS PLAN**

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#### **SCHEDULE OF TREES**

Species

Rowan

Cherry

Norway Maple

Norway Maple

**DBH** 

Min Dist

130

1.56

7.6

190

2.28

16.3

180

2.16

14.7

190

2.28

16.3

TreeNo

On site

T001

Yes

T002

Yes

T003

Yes

T004

Yes

Height

Crown Lowest

Base Branch

4

7

8

8.5

RPA (m²) Aspect Aspect

2.1-4m

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SM

20+ years

Stairfoot McDonalds, Wombwell Lane, Stairfoot, Barnsley,

High

Grass, Tarmac

Reasonable vigour.

Mechanical damage to surface roots. Occluded stem wounds.

fc	oot McDon	alds, Wombwell Lar	ne, Stairfoot, Barnsley,	Surveyed By: Nick Hayden Date: 01/12/2023 Managed By: Nick Hayden		
	Visual	Crown Spread	Problems / Comments		Work Required	Priority
t	Age	Water Demand		Cat		
t	SULE	Ground Cover				
	High	N2, E2.5, S3, W2	Retaining wall circa. 1m to west. Slight stem lean to south. Occluding pruning wound north aspect at circa. 1.7m above ground level (agl). Multi-stemmed from circa. 1.8m agl, unions appear stable. Minor deadwood lower crown south east aspect. Small but prominent as on raised elevation adjacent to highway.		No work required	4
	Y	Moderate				
	10+ years	Grass				
	High	N2.5, E2.5, S2, W2	Retaining wall circa. 1.5m to south. Roots present adjacent to wall. Slight stem lean to north. Large, exposed roots. Notable wound and decay in structural root extending east. Multi-stemmed from circa. 2m agl, unions appear stable. Previously topped at 5.5m agl. Crown displays reasonable vigour. Prominent as on raised elevation adjacent to highway.		No work required	4
	SM	Moderate				
	10+ years	Grass, Block paving				
	Moderate	N3, E2, S2.5, W2.5	Boundary wall circa. 1m to north. Parking circa. 1m to south.  Mechanical damage to surface roots. Occluded stem wounds.		No work required	4
	SM	High	Reasonable vigour.			
	20+ years	Grass				
	Moderate	N3.5, E3, S2.5, W2	Boundary wall circa. 1m to north. Parking circa. 2m to south.	B1	No work required	4

## **Explanatory Notes for Tree Constraints Plans**

#### DBH (mm)

Diameter of main stem in millimetres at 1.5 metres from ground level. Where the tree is a multi-stem, the diameter is calculated in accordance with item 4.6.1 of BS 5837:2012.

#### **RPA**

This is the Root Protection Area, measured in square metres and defined in BS5837:2012 as "a layout design tool indicating the minimum area around a tree deemed to contain sufficient roots and rooting volume to maintain the tree's viability, and where the protection of the roots and soil structure is treated as a priority". The RPA is shown on the drawing. Ideally this is an area around the tree that must be kept clear of construction, level changes of construction operations.

#### **Crown Base**

Recorded in metres, the distance from ground and aspect of the lowest branch material.

#### **Crown Spread**

Indicates the radius of the crown from the base of the tree in each of the northern, eastern, southern and western aspects.

#### Age

Recorded as one of the following categories:

**Y** Young. Recently planted or establishing tree that could be transplanted without specialist equipment, i.e. less than 150 mm DBH.

**S/M** Semi-mature. An established tree, but one which has not reached its prospective ultimate height.

**E/M** Early-mature. A tree that is reaching its ultimate potential height, whose growth rate is slowing down but if healthy, will still increase in stem diameter and crown spread.

**M** Mature. A mature specimen with limited potential for any significant increase in size, even if healthy.

**O/M** Over-mature. A senescent or moribund specimen with a limited safe useful life expectancy. Possibly also containing sufficient structural defects with attendant safety and/or duty of care implications.

**V** Veteran. Although there is no exact definition this is usually a tree that is of interest biologically, culturally or aesthetically because of its age, size or condition.

D Dead.

# Safe Useful Life Expectancy

Relates to the prospective life expectancy of the tree and is given as one of 4 categories:

40 years+;

20 years+;

10 years+;

Less than 10 years.

#### **Water Demand**

This gives the water demand of the species of tree when mature, as given in the NHBC Standards Chapter 4.2 "Building Near Trees".

## BS 5837 Main Category

Using this assessment (BS 5837:2012, Table 1), trees can be divided into one of the following simplified categories, and are differentiated by cross-hatching and by colour on the attached drawing:

**Category A** - Those of high quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 40 years;

**Category B** - Those of moderate quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 40 years;

Category C - Those of low quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 10 years, or young trees with a stem diameter below 150 mm;

**Category U** - Those trees in such condition that they cannot realistically be retained as living trees in the context of the current land use for longer than 10 years.

### BS 5837 Sub Category

Table 1 of BS 5837:2012 also requires a sub-category to be applied to the A, B, C, and U assessments. This allows for a further understanding of the determining classification as follows:

Sub-Category 1 - Mainly arboricultural qualities

**Sub-Category 2** - Mainly landscape qualities

**Sub-Category 3** - Mainly cultural values, including conservation

Please note that a specimen or landscape feature may fulfil the requirements of more than one Sub-Category.

## Recommended Works

Identifies the necessary tree work to mitigate anticipated problems and deal with existing problems in the setting at the time of the inspection.

#### **Priority**

This gives a priority rating to each tree allowing the client to prioritise necessary tree works identified within the Tree Survey.

- 1 Urgent works required immediately;
- 2 Works required within 6 months;
- 3 Works required within 1 year;
- 4 Re-inspect in 12 months,

## Tree Preservation Order and Conservation Area Search Results (Online Mapping)

