

TREE PROTECTION STATEMENT

SITE ADDRESS

27 Normanstead Road, Tilehurst, Reading RG31 5BY

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSALS:

Erect single storey side extension, first floor front extension and front porch.

APPLICATION NO:

160590

This is a brief statement to explain that the only 'trees' that will remain in relatively close proximity to the proposed single storey side extension at no 27 Normanstead Road are the two marked on the submitted site plan as part of this submission to discharge the relevant condition. Both of these trees are within the curtilage of the adjacent property at 2 Laurel Drive.

Existing shrubs in the area toward the rear of the proposed extension, along the boundary fence line and within the ownership boundary at no 27, have now been removed prior to the commencement of works.

The very small tree closest to the proposed extension as shown on the submitted proposed site plan is only one, single conifer. It is around 8 feet in height only and 1m in diameter. It's position is approximately 1-1.5m off the fence between no 27 and no 2 Laurel Drive and within the OB to no 2 Laurel Drive. This small conifer, which is really no more than an ornamental tree, will be 2-2.5m away from the proposed foundations of the extension at no 27.

The tree will be protected during the works naturally by the fence between the two properties that will remain in tact and if building control wish for the foundations of the extension to be deeper than normal (we suspect foundations of up to 1m may well be required as we anticipate that there may be clay at the site), then we have suggested that the contractor takes advice from building control on site.

The only other pertinent tree is the silver birch also shown on the submitted proposed site plan. This is also positioned on the site of no 2 Laurel Drive but this location at the front of the site and so the distance of this silver birch from the proposed means that not only is it the other side of the fence but it's root protection zone does not come in to play at all.

We trust the above serves to clarify the situation where tree protection is concerned at the site and that the relevant condition can now be discharged.