

TREE PROTECTION PLAN

Summary

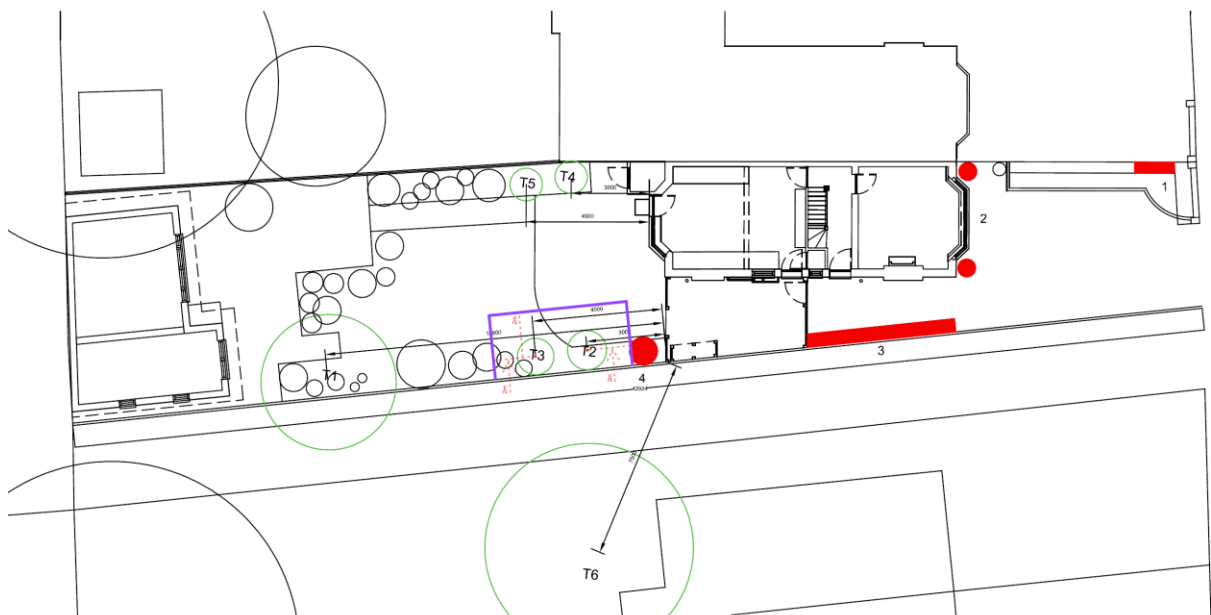
Following the receipt of the letter from Reading Council's Assistant Natural Environment Officer dated 1.9.2025, we have prepared the following Tree Protection Plan to prevent damage to trees T2 and T3 and their roots during construction.

Tree Survey and Identification

- T2: Fig tree (2m tall), construction planned 3m away from building line
- T3: Cherry tree (2m tall), construction planned 4m away from building line

Root Protection Areas (RPAs)

- Our research indicates that for young, 2m trees, a typical RPA radius of 1.5–2m from stem would suffice. The proposed distance to the building line exceeds this.



(Extract of drawing 2423-A-PL-19 Rev1)

- This said, the Reading Council team considered that extra care is still needed and hence we would like to propose the following:

Protective Fencing

- Given the proximity of both trees to the fence, contractor to erect tree protection barrier (with scaffold poles, Heras style fencing or similar) around both trees as follows:

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- 2m from the stem base of the cherry tree to the north east side,
- 2m run from the stem base of the tree located closest to the east covering the length of both trees
- 2m from the stem base of the fig tree to the south west side
- Fencing will be robust, clearly marked, and remain throughout the construction.
- No construction equipment or materials will be stored within the protected zone.

Ground Protection

- Contractor to lay ground protection boards inside the protected zones if machinery must pass close to the trees; we will avoid excavation or soil stripping near the trees.
- No fires, chemical storage, or waste will be permitted within 5m of either tree.

Construction Exclusion Zone

- Contractor to designate the area inside tree protection fencing as an exclusion zone, with no construction or ground disturbance (including trenching for services)
- If roots over 25mm diameter are unearthed, they will be protected with damp sacking and roots over 10mm will only be pruned if absolutely necessary and only with sharp secateurs.

Supervision and Monitoring

- Site manager to inspect installation before work begins.
- Once protective fencing is installed, it will not be moved.
- Site manager to keep monthly records to ensure barriers remain undamaged and effective.

Post-Construction

- Contractor to inspect tree and ground condition for health and structural stability of the trees.
- Remove fences and ground boards only when the construction is completed.