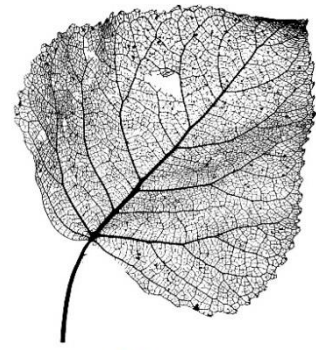




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ARBORICULTURAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT ADDENDUM
BS 5837:2012 'Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction. Recommendations'

report

SITE

Land to the rear of Turnpike Lane,
Ickleford,
Hitchin

CLIENT

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1.1 Introduction and Background

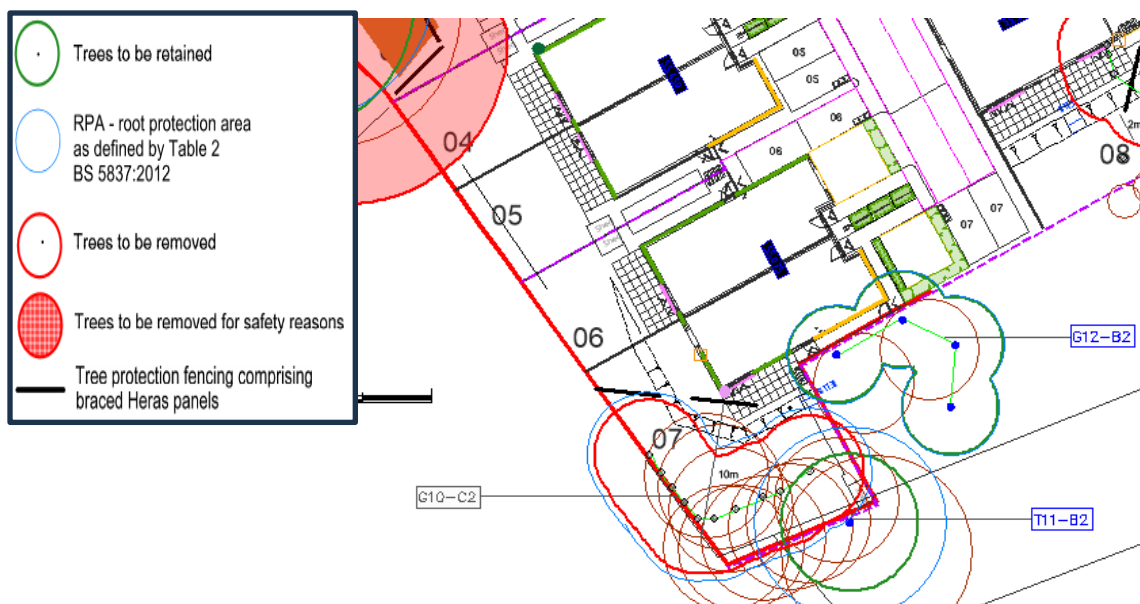
This addendum is submitted in connection with planning consent reference 24/02563/S73 for 'Erection of five dwelling houses in association with a new access spur from the Lodge Court, on-site parking, landscaping (inclusive of new trees), formation of a pedestrian footpath and designated communal open space.' at Land to the rear of Turnpike Lane, Ickleford, Hitchin.

- 1.2 This report seeks consent to remove a group of cypress trees (G10). Consent is required by condition 5 of the aforementioned consent. The conifers are not protected by the Tree Preservation Order.

2.1 Trees to be removed

G10 is a group of closely planted Leyland cypress at 15m+tall and are categorized as category C. They were originally shown retained as they provide screening between the site and former industrial buildings (Ickleford Mill). This site has now been allocated for housing in North Herts Local Plan and has secured planning permission for residential development. As a result, Ickleford Mill buildings will be demolished. Therefore, the screening value of T10 is not as important as it was.

- 2.2 The trees are on the southern boundary of the nearest plot and cast dense, oppressive shade. At the site visit on 23 June 2025 by the author, the trees were found to have grown considerably and interfering with the scaffolding. The trees are overly oppressive and cast dense shade.



Plan 1 – extract from SHA 1132 TPP B. Full plan at appendix 1



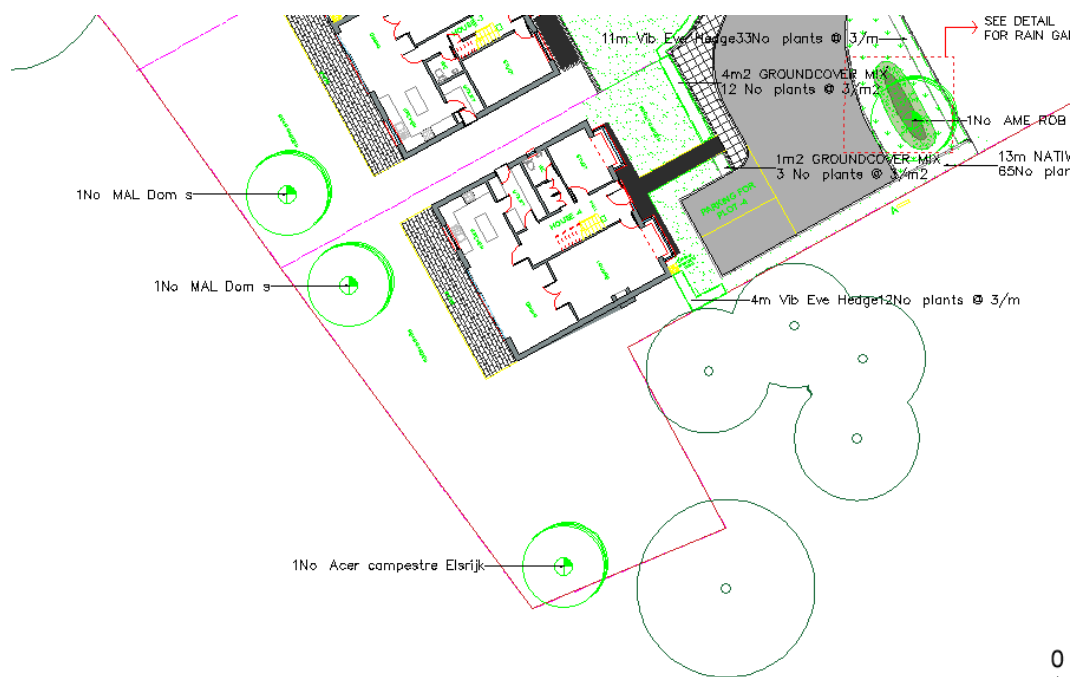
Photo 1 of G10 looking south



Photo 2 of G10 looking south-west

3.1 Replacement tree

Total screening is not required or suitable. A single neat cultivar of field maple (*Acer campestre* Elsrijk or similar cultivar) is recommended at 12-14cm girth at 1m is recommended. Details are found at <https://www.barcham.co.uk/store/products/acer-campestre-elsrijk>. The location is shown on the plan extract below:



Plan 2 – extract from SHA 1132 landscape B

4.1 Conclusions

The screening value of G10 is no longer pertinent. The trees have grown and are too large and untidy for a modestly sized rear garden. The species are out of keeping with the semi-rural edge of the site and a field maple is suitable for the area in terms of species and landscape setting.

4.2 This addendum seeks consent to remove G10 and replace with a single field maple.

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Appendix 1 – SHA 1132 TPP1 B



- T1-A Category A - high quality and value
- T1-B Category B - moderate quality and value
- T1-C Category C - low quality and value
- T1-U Category U - unsuitable for retention
- Trees to be retained
- RPA - root protection area as defined by Table 2 BS 5837:2012
- Trees to be removed
- Trees to be removed for safety reasons
- Tree protection fencing comprising braced Heras panels
- Ground protection during construction
- Area for supervision for drive widening
- Arboricultural method statement for path installation
- Small offsite holm oak advised for removal as it leans heavily. A mat for the owner to consider and not in connection with the proposal.

Rev :C	Description : New layout 24.9.25	Authorized :SMD-
Rev :B	Description : G10 shown removed	Authorized :SMD-H 26.
Rev :A	Description : New layout 7.12.21	Authorized :SMD-



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