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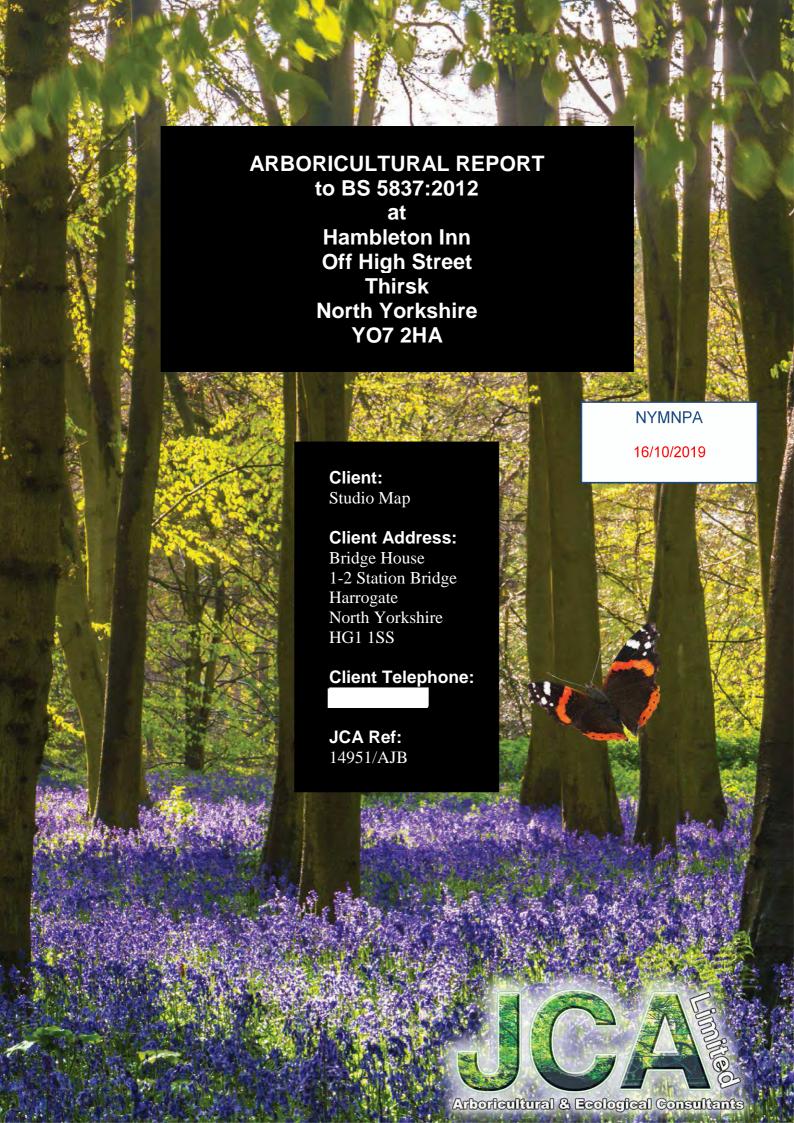
Dear Hilary

The proposals are based on losing the trees referred to on the email below, and it is our intention to plant 5/6no Semi Mature native trees as shown on the proposed site layout plan. As advised previously the site has been artificially built up and new trees will be going back in at the original site; levels

We also attach the tree report as previously submitted

Kind regards,

David McCormack RIBA APMP Director



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1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1.1 This report is required at **Hambleton Inn**, **Off High Street**, **Thirsk**, to provide detailed, independent, arboricultural advice on the trees present, in the context of potential development.
- 1.1.2 The purpose of this report is to summarise the findings of an arboricultural assessment of the existing vegetation at the above site; conducted in accordance with the guidelines contained within BS5837: 2012 'Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction Recommendations'.
- 1.1.3 Where necessary, this report will outline any tree works which are required within the current context of the site. It will also grade the trees in accordance with the British Standard; which will guide the design in terms of which trees should be retained and which trees could be removed.

1.2 Terms of Reference

- 1.2.1 JCA Ltd has been instructed by **Studio Map** to survey the site and prepare the findings in a report.
- 1.2.2 For this purpose a topographical survey has been supplied (**Drawing No. SMA057SP**), which forms the basis for the Tree Constraints Plan at **Appendix 6**. The topographical survey, along with all other documents supplied to JCA, is assumed to be correct. No checking of such documents will be undertaken and JCA cannot be held responsible for incorrect data supplied by other parties.

1.3 Scope of the Report

- 1.3.1 This report is compiled in accordance with *BS 5837:2012 'Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction Recommendations'* and is based on an independent and objective assessment of the existing vegetation.
- 1.3.2 Preliminary recommendations are given with a view to the long-term management of sustainable tree cover and to uphold the interests of health and safety.
- 1.3.3 All trees within the site boundary with a stem diameter above 75mm are included.
- 1.3.4 Where applicable trees outside the site boundary, but close enough to be affected by the proposed development, are included.
- 1.3.5 The specific designs of the proposed development are not generally taken into account at this stage or detailed within this report. This is to be detailed in an Arboricultural Impact Assessment.

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1.4 Survey Details

- 1.4.1 The survey took place during the month of May 2019 and was conducted by Andrew Bussey.
- 1.4.2 During this survey, all trees were inspected from ground level. Further investigations, such as a climbed inspection or a decay detection survey, have not been undertaken but may be recommended where deemed appropriate.
- 1.4.3 Measurements were obtained using clinometers, specialist tapes or electronic distometers. Where this was not possible, measurements were estimated to the best ability of the surveyor. JCA endeavour to provide accurate information and will always take measurements unless inhibited by restricted access or other mitigating circumstances. Where measurements have been estimated, they are clearly highlighted at **Appendix 1**.

2. Site Description

2.1 Land Use & Topography

2.1.1 The site, which is approximately level in the main, is occupied by a disused public house and its associated garden areas and car park.

2.2 Treescape & Visual Amenity Value

2.2.1 Collectively, the trees on site provide a good addition to the local treescape and amenity value of the area.

2.3 Age Class Mix

2.3.1 The trees surveyed ranged in age from semi-mature to mature.

2.4 Species Diversity

2.4.1 Species surveyed include Sycamore, Beech, Leylandii, Goat Willow and Silver Birch.

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3. Status of the Trees

- 3.1 A check was made on 14th May 2019 with *Hambleton District Council*.
- 3.2 We are informed that there is no Tree Preservation Order (TPO) in force and that the site is not within a Conservation Area.
- 3.3 Due to the large potential penalties for illegally carrying out work to protected trees, JCA recommend that a further check is carried out prior to any works being undertaken. This is especially relevant as the Council is able to serve a TPO at any time. We are able to arrange a further check on your behalf.

4. Tree Descriptions and Recommendations

4.1 Full details of all individual trees surveyed are recorded in the tables at **Appendix 1**. A full explanation of the tables can be found at **Appendix 2**. Please refer also to the Tree Constraints Plan at **Appendix 6** for tree locations.

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5. Discussion Relating to the Existing Treescape

5.1 Tree Condition & Recommended Works

- 5.1.1 The tree survey revealed a total of 11 items of vegetation (7 individual trees, 2 groups of trees and 2 hedges). Of these, 5 trees and 1 group were identified as retention category 'B' and 2 trees, 1 group and 2 hedges as retention category 'C'. Please refer to Appendix 2 for retention category and definition criteria.
- 5.1.2 Within the survey, tree works have been identified for reasons of public safety, to ensure the long-term health of the trees or for general maintenance purposes. Such recommendations have been made without regard to any projected layout and should be undertaken irrespective of development. These are summarised in the following sections. For full details on all recommendations, please refer to **Appendix 1**. For an explanation of the priority ratings, see **Appendix 2 (A2.2.5)**.

5.2 Tree Removals for Arboricultural Purposes

5.2.1 On this occasion, no trees have been identified as category 'U' and as such no trees are recommended for removal in the current context of the site.

5.3 Remedial Tree Works

5.3.1 **Low priority** tree work in the form of crown cleaning to remove the deadwood has been recommended for **T1**, as detailed within **Appendix 1**.

5.4 Monitoring / Further Investigation

- 5.4.1 **T1, T4** and **T6** were noted to have structural or physiological defects, as detailed at **Appendix 1**. Although these trees were considered to be in an acceptable condition at the time of the inspection, the defects observed may lead to their early demise or render them unsafe in the future. As such, it is recommended that these trees be monitored (reinspected and assessed) on a biennial basis to assess if their condition is still acceptable.
- 5.4.2 In addition, to the above, all trees which are to be retained within the proposed development should be inspected on a regular basis in the interests of risk management.

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5.5 General Design Advice

- 5.5.1 The following is an overview of the constraints on this site to development, along with general design considerations relating to the tree cover. The precise details of a proposed development are not known at present. The specific implications of a proposed design should be assessed within an Arboricultural Implications Assessment (AIA).
- 5.5.2 The retention categories of the trees surveyed are an indication of their overall values. The category of each item is listed at **Appendix 1** and an explanation of the retention categories is included at **Appendix 2**. As a general rule, those trees listed as retention category 'A' or 'B' are the most valuable items and as such the removal of these is likely to be met with resistance by the Local Planning Authority (LPA). Those items listed as retention category 'C' are of lesser value and the removal of these is less likely to be met with resistance by the LPA. Items listed as retention category 'U' are recommended for removal regardless of any proposals and should not present a constraint to construction. The above information should guide the design in terms of which trees are to be removed and which are to be retained. However, it should be noted that the retention of trees is just one consideration in the design process and each development will be taken for its merits.
- 5.5.3 The location of each tree is plotted on the associated Tree Constraints Plan at **Appendix 6**. This plan identifies the retention category of each tree (Retention A: green canopy, Retention B: blue canopy, Retention C: grey canopy, Retention U: red canopy), the crown spread, and also the associated rooting zone (Root Protection Area or RPA shown in gold). In order to enable the survival of trees shown to be retained within any proposals, both the canopy of the tree and its RPA must be completely avoided wherever possible. This relates to not just the location of new buildings, but also to the location of new areas of hard standing, proposed utility routes and any ground level changes (both excavations and soil piling). Where this is not possible, specialist construction methods and materials will need to be used.
- 5.5.4 Where information is available, the water demand of each tree is provided at **Appendix** 1, in accordance with NHBC Standards 2014 chapter 4.2. 'Building near trees'. The water demand of trees can affect adjacent structures and this is therefore included to inform foundation design, depth and the proximity of proposed structures to trees.
- 5.5.5 Retained trees will require adequate protective measures during development. Such measures typically entail temporary protective fencing, installed to the full extent of the RPA. Where this is not entirely possible, ground protection may also comprise part of the protective measures. This includes a compaction reducing construction detail which enables a degree of construction traffic over/within the RPA.

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- 5.5.6 As the RPAs of the trees will require fencing off as a protection measure, this should be brought into consideration when planning such things as access routes and material storage during development. It is accepted that in some cases it is not entirely possible to completely avoid the RPA or canopy lines within a new development. The consulting arboriculturalist should therefore be made aware of any such incursions to make comment and, where possible, advise on mitigation actions. Such details should be contained within an Arboricultural Implications Assessment (AIA).
- 5.5.7 No material storage is permitted within the RPA of retained trees unless confirmed to be acceptable by the consulting arboriculturalist. The exact details and location of protective measures should be included within an Arboricultural Method Statement (AMS).
- 5.5.8 The position of the site compound is a major consideration. It is recommended that this, which typically includes the site office, facilities, toilets, storage of materials and parking, is located away from trees and outside the RPA.

6. Conclusions

- 6.1 The trees are not protected by a Tree Preservation Order or by virtue of them being in a Conservation Area.
- 6.2 **T1** has been recommended for remedial works, as summarised in **Section 5.3** and detailed at **Appendix 1**.
- 6.3 **T1, T4** and **T6** have been recommended for biennial monitoring due to the presence (or suspicion) of physiological or structural defects, as summarised in **Section 5.4** and detailed at **Appendix 1**.
- 6.4 General design advice has been provided in **Section 5.5**.
- 6.5 Upon provision of specific proposals, site-specific advice can be given with regards to the impact on trees. In accordance with **Section 5.4** of **BS 5837: 2012**, the next stage on this site should be the preparation of an **Arboricultural Impact Assessment (AIA)**, which will illustrate and discuss the impact of the proposals on the trees and vice versa, to help to inform good design.
- 6.6 The data gained during the survey provides an indication of the health of the trees. However, it does not enable a comprehensive assessment of their condition over time. Trees are living organisms which are affected by many factors including weather conditions, diseases/disorders, light levels and human activities. Because of this, this report is only valid for a period of 1 year from the date of issuing. Should an update or revision of this report be required outside of this time period, JCA may require a further site visit to ensure that the condition of the trees has not significantly changed. It is advised that the trees are inspected regularly, in the interests of risk management.

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Appendices

Tree Ref.	Age Common Name Botanical Name	Height (m)	Crown Height (m)	Height (m) and Direction of the Lowest Branch	Diameter (cm)	Crown Spread N W E	Observations	Recommendations Priority	Physiological Condition	Structural Condition	Amenity Value	NHBC Water Demand	Life Expectancy (yrs)	Retention Category
Т 1	Early-mature Sycamore Acer pseudoplatanus	13	4	4 NE	48	6 6.2	Located within a planter and overhanging the road. Single-stemmed and vertical with a balanced crown. Occasional pruning wounds. Moderate deadwood noted. Previously topped with the onset of decay on the past pruning points. Metal object occluded within the stem.	Crown clean to remove the deadwood. Monitor biennially.	FAIR	FAIR	MOD	MOD	10+	C 1
Т 2	Mature Sycamore Acer pseudoplatanus	16	3	6 W	50 & 48	7 7.5 1.5 6.5	Twin-stemmed at ground level with an unbalanced crown. Occasional pruning wounds. No major visible defects.	No action required.	GOOD	GOOD	MOD	MOD	20+	B 1
Т 3	Mature Sycamore Acer pseudoplatanus	18	6	7 n/a	84	8.5 5 8.5 9	Single-stemmed with a slight lean and a reasonably balanced crown. Occasional pruning wounds. No major visible defects. Minor pruning wound with decay at the base.	No action required.	GOOD	GOOD	MOD	MOD	40+	B 1
Т 4	Mature Sycamore Acer pseudoplatanus	17	4	5 n/a	50 x 3 Avg.	5 6.3 7 6	Overhanging the power lines. Multi- stemmed at ground level with a balanced crown. Occasional pruning wounds. Tight unions noted.	Monitor biennially.	GOOD	GOOD	MOD	MOD	20+	B 1
Т 5	Early-mature Beech Fagus sylvatica	18	0	1 n/a	46	4.5 3 5.5 4	Overhanging the power lines and the adjacent track. Twin-stemmed at 4m with a balanced crown. Occasional pruning wounds. No major visible defects.	No action required.	GOOD	GOOD	MOD	MOD	40+	B 1
Т 6	Early-mature Sycamore Acer pseudoplatanus	17	2	2 n/a	39 & 37	3 5.5 3.5 2.5	Overhanging the power lines. Twin- stemmed at ground level with a balanced crown. Occasional pruning wounds. Weak unions noted.	Monitor biennially.	GOOD	GOOD	MOD	MOD	20+	B 1
G 7	Semi to early- mature Beech Fagus sylvatica	To 16	0	0 n/a	To 28	See plan	A line of trees of reasonable form, likely a lapsed hedge. No major visible defects.	No action required.	GOOD	GOOD	LOW	MOD	20+	C 1
Н 8	Semi-mature Leylandii X Cupressocyparis leylandii	То 8	0+	0+ n/a	To 20	See plan	A boundary hedge. No major visible defects.	No action required.	GOOD	GOOD	LOW	HIGH	20+	C 1
G 9	Semi to early-mature Mixed species Details in observations.	To 15	0+	0+ n/a	To 50	See plan	A dense group of Sycamore, Goat Willow, Silver Birch and Beech of good form. No major visible defects. Small dead Goat Willow noted.	No action required.	GOOD	GOOD	MOD	MOD TO HIGH	40+	1 B 2
Т 10	Early-mature Leylandii X Cupressocyparis leylandii	15	1.5	1.5 n/a	44	2.8 2.8 2.8 2.8	Single-stemmed and vertical with a balanced crown. No evidence of significant pruning. No major visible defects.	No action required.	GOOD	GOOD	MOD	HIGH	20+	C 1
H 11	Semi-mature Leylandii X Cupressocyparis leylandii	То 8	0+	0+ n/a	To 22	See plan	A boundary hedge. No major visible defects.	No action required.	GOOD	GOOD	LOW	HIGH	20+	C 1

Appendix 2: Explanation of Tree Descriptions

A2.1 Measurements/ Reference Information

- A2.1.1 *REF NUMBER*. All items surveyed are allocated a reference number preceded with a letter, identifying the type of vegetation surveyed: T = an individual tree, G = a group of trees or an area of vegetation, W = woodland, H = a hedgerow.
- A2.1.2 SPECIES: COMMON AND BOTANICAL NAME. The common and botanical names of the species present are noted. If the species is not clear or identifiable, then a general common name and genus will be noted.
- A2.1.3 AGE CLASS of the tree is described as young, semi-mature, early-mature, mature, over-mature, veteran or dead.
- A2.1.4 HEIGHT of the tree is measured in metres from the stem base to the top of the crown.
- A2.1.5 *CROWN HEIGHT* is an indication of the height above ground level at which the crown begins.
- A2.1.6 STEM DIAMETER is measured at 1.5 metres above (higher) ground level. Where the tree is multi-stemmed at this point; diameter measurements are taken for each stem. If more than five stems are present, an average stem diameter is taken. If for whatever reason it is not practical to measure multiple-stemmed trees in this way, the diameter is measured close to ground level, just above the root buttress.
- A2.1.7 *CROWN SPREAD* is measured from the centre of the stem base to the tips of the branches to all four cardinal points.
- A2.1.8 HEIGHT AND DIRECTION OF LOWEST BRANCH. The height and direction of the lowest significant branch is noted because of potential issues relating to clearances and the need for tree pruning.
- A2.1.9 *NHBC WATER DEMAND*. The water demand of each tree, as listed in NHBC Standards 2010 Chapter 4.2 'Building near trees'. This is included to aid structural engineers, architects and other members of the design team as it determines foundation depth and other considerations with regard to trees.

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A2.2 Evaluations

- A2.2.1 *PHYSIOLOGICAL CONDITION* is classed as good, fair, poor, or dead. This is an indication of the health and vitality of the tree and takes into account vigour, presence of disease and dieback.
- A2.2.2 STRUCTURAL CONDITION is classed as good, fair or poor. This is an indication of the structural integrity of the tree and takes into account significant wounds, decay and quality of branch junctions.
- A2.2.3 *LIFE EXPECTANCY* is classed as; Dead, less than 10 years, 10+ years, 20+ years, or 40 + years. This is an indication of the minimum number of years before removal of the tree is likely to be required.
- A2.2.4 *AMENITY VALUE*. A general indication is given in respect to the amenity/landscape value of the tree/group within the surrounding area.
- A2.2.5 *PRIORITIES*. A priority rating is given concerning the time periods in which the recommended works should be undertaken. LOW priority works should be undertaken within 12 months of the survey, MOD (moderate) priority works should be undertaken within 6 months and HIGH priority works should be completed as soon as practically possible. If no works are recommended, N/A (not applicable) will be used.

A2.3 Retention Categories

A2.3.1 A (marked green on the Tree Constraints Plan) = Trees of high quality.

These trees are of high quality and value with a good life expectancy (usually with an estimated remaining life expectancy of 40 years).

A2.3.2 B (marked in blue on the Tree Constraints Plan) = Trees of moderate quality.

These trees are of moderate quality and value with a reasonable life expectancy (usually with an estimated life expectancy of at least 20 years).

A2.3.3 C (marked in grey on the Tree Constraints Plan) = Trees of low quality.

These trees are of low quality and value but which are in adequate condition to remain or are young trees with a stem diameter below 15cm (usually with an estimated life expectancy of at least 10 years).

- A2.3.4 Trees categorised as retention category 'A', 'B' or 'C' are then justified by being further divided into 3 subcategories:
 - 1 = Mainly arboricultural qualities.
 - 2 = Mainly landscape qualities.
 - 3 = Mainly cultural values, including conservation value.

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A2.3.5 *U* (marked in red on the Tree Constraints Plan) = Trees usually unsuitable for retention due to poor condition.

These trees are in such a condition that they cannot be realistically retained as living trees in the context of the current land use for longer than 10 years. This may be due to any of the following:

- 1) Failure is likely due to serious, irredeemable, structural defects.
- 2) Removal of other category U trees will render them exposed and unstable.
- 3) They are in serious, overall decline or are dead.
- 4) They are of low quality and suppressing adjacent trees of better quality.
- 5) Diseases are present which may affect the health of adjacent trees.

These trees are to be removed or managed in a way which reduces their risk of failure, where they have high ecological value, such as in a woodland setting.

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Appendix 3: General Guidelines

- A3.1 All tree work should be undertaken to BS 3998: 2010 '*Recommendations for tree work*' or other recognised industry practice.
- A3.2 Staff carrying out the work must be qualified, experienced and ideally be Arboricultural Association approved contractors. They should be covered by adequate public liability insurance.
- A3.3 This report is based upon a visual inspection. The consultant shall not be responsible for events which happen after this time due to factors which were not apparent at the time, and the acceptance of this report constitutes an agreement with the guidelines and the terms listed therein.
- A3.4 Any defects seen by a contractor or the employer that were not apparent to the consultant must be brought to the consultant's attention immediately.
- A3.5 No liability can be accepted by JCA in respect of the trees unless the recommendations of this report are carried out under the supervision of JCA and within JCA's timescale.
- A3.6 It is advisable to have trees inspected by an arboricultural consultant on a regular basis.

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Appendix 4: Glossary of Terms & Abbreviations

Arboriculture The cultivation of trees in order to produce individual specimens of the

greatest ornament, for shelter or any primary purpose other than the

production of timber or fruit.

Canker Disease damaged area of a tree, usually caused by fungus or bacteria

affecting the bark.

Co-dominant stem A stem which has grown in direct competition to the main stem and which

has formed a substantial size influencing the appearance of the tree.

Crown lift The removal of the lowest branches, usually to a given height. It allows

more residual light and greater clearance underneath for vehicles etc.

Crown reduction The reduction of a tree's height and spread while preserving its natural

shape.

Crown thin The removal of some of the density of a tree's crown, usually 5-15%

allowing more light through its canopy and reducing wind resistance.

Deadwood Either dead branches, or a procedure involving the removal of dead, dying

and diseased branches.

Dieback Where branches are beginning to show signs of death usually at the tips in

the crown.

Epicormic shoots Small branches that grow in clusters around the base of the stem of a tree or

within the crown. This is usually as a result of bad pruning or some other stress factor, although can be a natural growth pattern for some species of

tree (eg Lime species).

Included bark Where the bark on two adjoining branches or stems is growing tight

together, forming a joint with limited physical strength.

Pollarding A method of tree management in which the main trunk and principle

branches of the tree are cut to the same height, and the resulting branches

are then cropped on a regular basis.

Remedial pruning The removal of old stubs, deadwood, epicormic growth, rubbing or crossing

branches and other unwanted items from the tree's crown. Sometimes

referred to as crown cleaning.

RPA Root Protection Area – Theoretical rooting area of a tree as defined in BS

5837:2012 'Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction -

Recommendations'.

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Appendix 5: Author Qualifications

Principal Consultant and Managing Director

Jonathan Cocking *F.R.E.S.*, *Tech. Cert.* (*Arbor.A*), *PDipArb* (*RFS*) *FArborA CBiol MSB. MICFor.* Jonathan is a Registered Consultant and Fellow of the Arboricultural Association and sits on its Professional Committee. He has 31 years experience in the Arboricultural profession and served for eight years as Senior Arboriculturist with a large local authority before establishing JCA in 1997. Jonathan has since developed JCA's portfolio of services and its extensive client base. He is a Chartered Biologist, a Chartered Arboriculturalist and an Expert Witness with much experience of litigation work.

Technical Director

Toby Thwaites *BSc (Hons), HND (Arboriculture).* Toby joined JCA in 1998 after graduating in Ecology at the University of Huddersfield and has since graduated in Arboriculture at the University of Central Lancashire. A former JCA team leader and Consulting Arboriculturist, Toby is now Technical Director and oversees all office and on-site activities at JCA and is on hand to offer technical support and advice.

Consulting Staff: Arboriculture

Toby Parsons *Cert. Arb. (RFS), Tech. Cert. (Arbor.A).* Toby joined JCA after spending 6 years working as a senior climber for various Arboricultural contractors in the East Midlands and the South-West. He has gained the Level 2 Certificate in Arboriculture (RFS) and an Arboricultural Technicians Certificate. Toby is LANTRA certified in Professional Tree Inspection.

Andrew Bussey. Andrew joined JCA having spent 12 years working as a tree surgeon for various private companies and a Local Authority. He has various NPTC qualifications, is QTRA qualified and is currently studying for his Arboricultural Technicians Certificate.

Phil Humeniuk FdSc (Arboriculture). Phil joined JCA having spent 3 years working for various tree surgery companies and as a Tree Officer for a Local Authority. He also has several years experience working as a consultant both for JCA and for another consultancy. Phil obtained his foundation degree in Arboriculture at the University of Central Lancashire and has various NPTC's and is LANTRA certified in Professional Tree Inspection.

Emily Wilde FdSc (Arboriculture). Emily joined JCA having previously worked for various private tree surgery and consultancy companies over the past 8 years. She initially obtained a ND in Forestry & Arboriculture, followed by a FdSc in Arboriculture at Askham Bryan College, York. Emily has various NPTC certificates and is QTRA qualified.

Mick Eltringham *ND (Forestry)*. Mick joined JCA after spending 12 years working in the industry for various private companies in the north and south of England. He has also spent the last five years working as a consultant for two canopy research projects in the Amazon Rainforest, working with Oxford University and the University of Arizona. He has various NPTC Qualifications.

Charles Cocking (*FdSc Arboriculture*). Charles joined JCA in January 2014 as an Apprentice having previously worked for the company on a part time basis during 2013. Charles obtained his Foundation Degree in Arboriculture at Askham Bryan College, York, and is now part of our qualified Arboricultural consultancy team.

Paul Hodgson Cert Arb (RFS), FdSc Arb, MArborA. Paul joined JCA after spending 11 years working in the industry and for various organisations, which included practical tree work, surveying, lecturing at Myerscough College, Arb team leader at Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, and a number of senior management positions. Paul is a professional member of the Arboricultural Association and a member of the Kew Guild.

Dan Kemp FdSc (Arboriculture). Dan joined JCA with nearly 30 years' experience in arboriculture. He worked as a London Tree Officer for 12 years and in several arboricultural and horticultural management posts, specialising particularly in tree risk assessments and tree related subsidence.

Robert Hickey FdSc (Arboriculture) TechArborA. Robert joined JCA in January 2019 after having spent 18 months as a groundsman and part time climber. Robert obtained his foundation degree in Arboriculture at Myerscough college and has various NPTC qualifications. Robert will be focusing his time on a large council project, managing and undertaking risk assessments on local authority owned trees.

Consulting Staff: Ecology

David Bodenham *BSc Ind (Hons) Zoology, MSc Biodiversity and Conservation.* David joined JCA as an addition to the expanding ecology department. An advocate of evidence based conservation, he studied Zoology (Ind) at University and moved onto an MSc in Biodiversity and Conservation where he gained the myriad of skills needed as an ecologist. With over 7 years of experience, David specialises in bat and amphibian ecology.

Jenny Butler *Bsc* (*Hons*) *Environmental Science*. Jenny joined JCA's ecology department in 2017, bringing with her a bachelor degree in Environmental Science from Bangor University. Jenny has previously worked as an Environmental Consultant for an Agri-Environment company and as a freelance ecological consultant. Jenny specialises in great crested newt and bat ecology.

Amanda Beck *Cert He in Field Ecology*. Amanda joined JCA's ecology department in 2018, previously working as a freelance Ecological Consultant in North Wales and Liverpool and as a trainee Ecologist in South Wales. Amanda has extensive practical experience in surveying for botanical, amphibians, terrestrial and marine mammals along with invertebrate research work. She has practical experience in habitat management and creation and is a CIEEM student member.

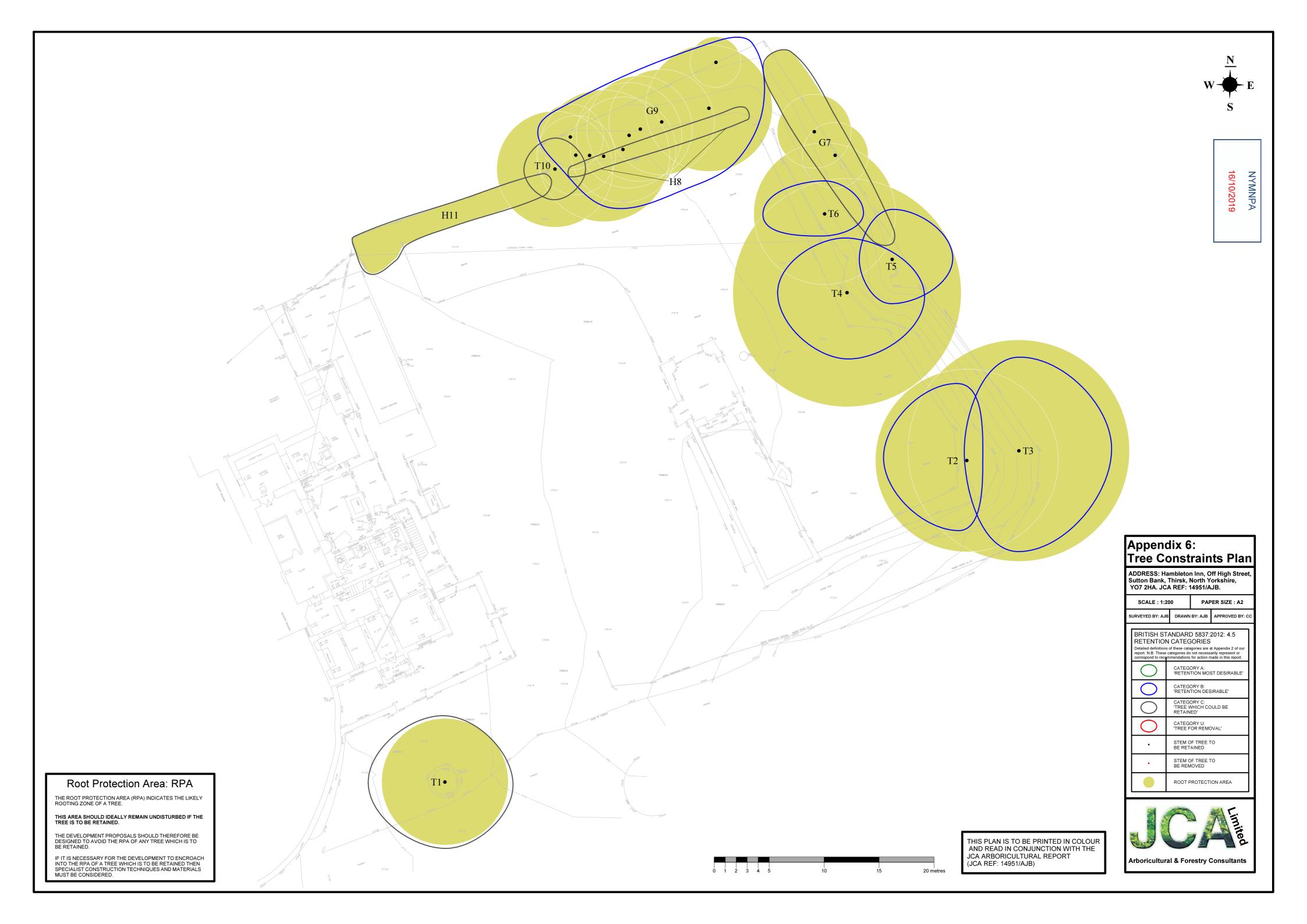
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I hope that this report provides all the necessary information, but should any further advice be needed please do not hesitate to contact the author.

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- · Landscape and Orchard Design

Tree Health and Pest and Disease Management

- Pest and Disease Surveys
- Tree Health Checks
- · Disease Mitigation and Control

ECOLOGICAL SERVICES

Ecological Pre-Planning Services

- Phase 1 Habitat Surveys
- Great Crested Newt eDNA Sampling
- · Protected Species: Bat, Wintering and Nesting Bird, Badger, Amphibian, Otter, Water Vole, White-Clawed Crayfish, Dormice and Reptile Surveys.
- Preparation for Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)
- · Invasive Species Surveys
- · Code for Sustainable Homes

Ecological Post-Planning Services

- · Biodiversity Enhancement Plans
- Protected Species Mitigation

 Ecological Management (Bat and Bird box installation and inspection)

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