

1 Thorpe Green, Fylingthorpe, Robin Hood's Bay, YO22 4TY.

TH PL-04 Tree Statement



The vehicle entrance to 1 Thorpe Green is dominated by a mature tree that has clearly grown up and into the existing boundary structure of the application site.

The works to widen the existing vehicle access to 1 Thorpe Green will take place to the left hand side of the view above; clear of the main trunk of the existing mature tree that is present on site.

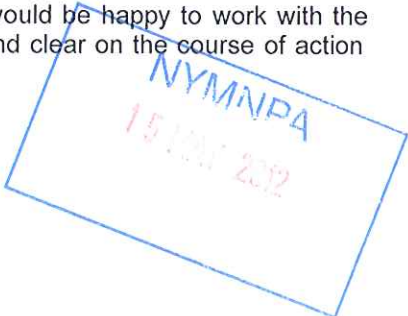
As the works involve the removal of a short section of masonry wall and the positioning of a new stone gate post (as shown on drawing TH PL-02) any excavation can be reduced to a minimum and done by hand to prevent any unnecessary disturbance being caused within the root protection area of the tree.

The relaying of some of the stone flags and provision of additional flagged area to the left hand side can be carried out within a depth of approximately 150mm from the existing external ground level. Carried out by hand this would have little detrimental impact over and above the conditions already accommodated by the tree.

The more sensitive aspect of the works to the gate entrance would be the provision of the replacement stone gate post on the right hand side of the drive. This is clearly in very close proximity to the base of the tree; indeed the boundary wall itself has been broken by the root structure of the tree as it has matured.

Obviously, the existing concrete gate post would need to be removed and it is hoped this will provide an existing hole deep enough to receive the new post with little or no additional excavation.

All works would be carried out by hand and the applicant would be happy to work with the local authority tree officer to ensure all parties are agreed and clear on the course of action required before works commence.



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