Arboricultural Method Statement for Woodhurst, Brookers Road, Billingshurst, West Sussex, RH14 9RZ

This method statement outlines the work taken at the same address as the tree with a PTO attached. This document will detail the storage of materials and the work that will be carried out on the tree.

Material and Site Storage

The materials involved in building the property extension will be stored on the side opposite the tree. These will be on the drive. All pre-prepared work will be carried out at this location and brought over, e.g., mixing of mortar, painting of materials before installation of build items, cutting of brick and other materials.

Excavation

Whilst the excavation is in progress whilst working within ten meters of the tree, the excavation will be hand dug. Great care will be taken on the additional distance from the tree when using mechanical digging equipment, ensuring that inspection of the area will be continuously monitored, and if there are any tree roots found, the excavation will stop immediately and be inspected. If further inspection is needed, then the observation will be done by hand until it can be determined whether it is related to the tree with the TPO.

Pouring Foundations

The foundation will be poured, and additional care will be done to ensure the area is safe and not contaminating any other regions. The pour will be undertaken by pumping cement into the appropriate locations.

Site Machinery

The machinery used in the extension construction will be operated on the opposite side of the site. It will be utilised to move materials around and for some excavation that does not come within ten meters of the tree.

Works in the facility tree

There will be no works near the tree for the immediate build. If any work continues within the tree's ten-meter radius, then this will be done with care and by hand. The tree will not be touched; when required, protection will be put in place to ensure its safety. There will be no trimming or cutting of the tree at any point throughout the build. If action is required, the tree preservation and planning will be contacted to seek advice.