

This document is a tool to help ensure appropriate due diligence has been taken prior to site clearance/works. Evidence is required to demonstrate all tree clearance has been suitably reviewed and can be justified.

**Note:** this document should be read in conjunction with the HS2 Tree Panel Terms of Reference

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Signature</b>			<b>Date</b>
Application made by:	SCSVJ				12/04/2024
Location (Sector/Site Name):	Alexandra Road – WP26.9 Group A2				
LAA/LAP/Site Reference					
Work Package number:	WP26.9 Group A2				
Date of Tree Panel:	18/04/2024				
Site Description:	Alexandra Road – Gas Main Replacement				
Reason for clearance:	Gas main requires replacing as part of the asset protection programme. Tree has grown directly over gas main and it is not possible to replace without removing the tree				
Drawing Reference No.:					
	Yes	No	N/A	Comments	
Has the Stage 1 Survey been completed and logged on the Register	x				
	Yes	No	N/A	Comments	
Has the Stage 2 Survey been completed with retention and protection measures logged on the Register	x				

<p><b>Have all practicable means to negate need for works to tree been investigated? Please provide details</b></p>	<p>A number of options have been reviewed prior to choosing to remove the tree.</p> <p>Reroute gas main to other side of road is not possible due to size of gas main. This work package is for a medium pressure main, the gas main in the road is a low pressure gas main</p> <p>Reroute gas main within the road. This is not possible due to the depth of the road at this location. There is a TfL rail bridge under the road which limits the depth of the road.</p> <p>Leave gas main in place. the size of excavation, we would still disrupt the roots and tree significantly, meaning it would still have to be removed.</p> <p>Transplant tree. We have consulted with arboriculture specialists and this would need significant space to be able to carry out the work. The roots are expected to have grown around the main and would be damaged in the process. It is expected that the tree would not survive and die posing a health and safety risk.</p> <p>Only feasible option is to remove and replace tree. Replacing tree to be carried out as part of reinstatement</p>
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**Tree Data:**

T141 – Purple Norway Maple – to be removed and replaced

T139 – Common Lime – working within Root Protection Area. Arboriculture support to be in place when excavating around tree

**Site Sketch/ Diagram / Photos:**

Figure 1: Tree Survey with T141 and T139 highlighted

**Tree to be removed**

Trees to be retained



Figure 2: Google Street View of T141

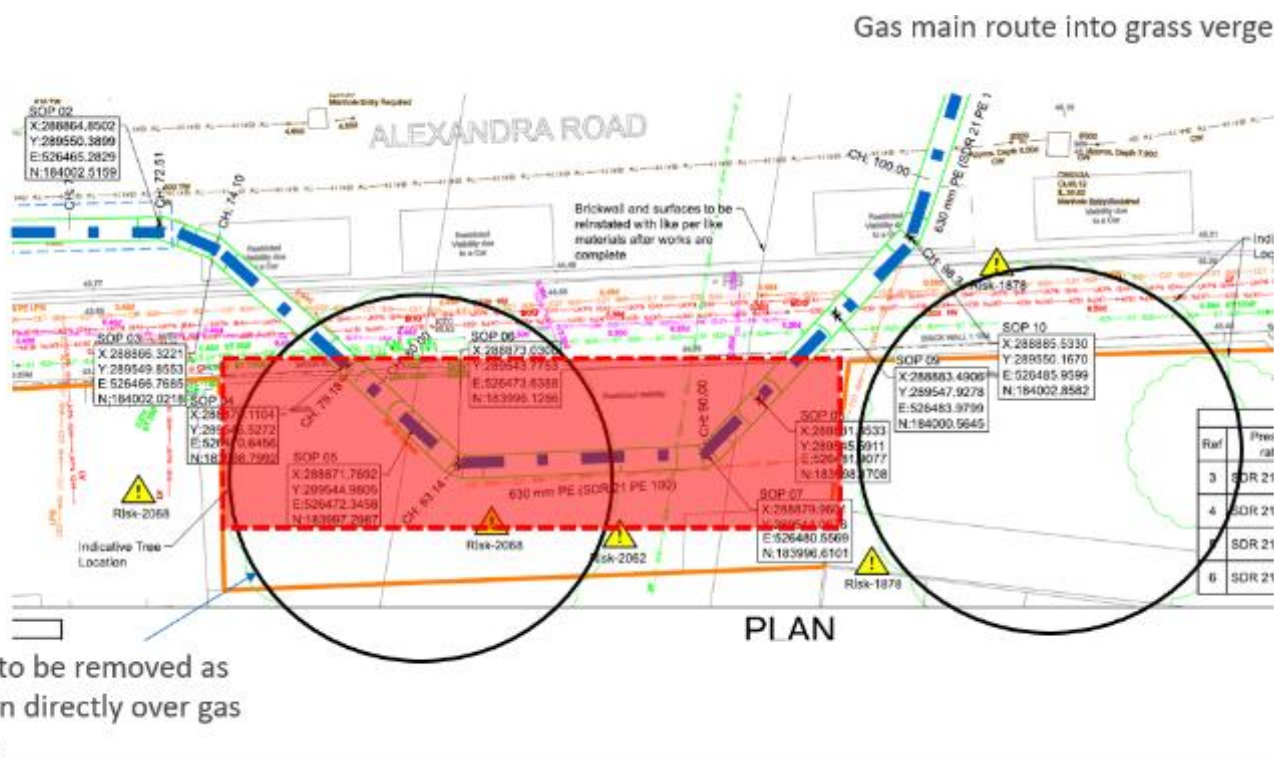


Figure 3: Site plan showing excavation area (in red) with tree 141 location directed on top of gas main

### Tree Panel Outcomes

		Proposal Endorsed/Not Endorsed:	Endorsed with conditions
Conditions	Endorsed, a replacement tree to be planted in the area before works complete.		