

**Appendix 3.18 - email from
WSP to TMBC (1 Oct 2020)
regarding RPAs of metrolink
trees**

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From: Hard, Matt
Sent: 01 October 2020 16:37
To: Debra Harrison [REDACTED]
Cc: Mark Levitt; Welch, Victoria; Payne, Hannah
Subject: FW: 100400/OUT/20 - B&Q

Debra

Please see further and hopefully final comments from TEP in regard to the trees on the TfGM land.

I'd hope that a suitably worded condition (as they have already indicated) would give TfGM the comfort they need.

Thanks

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Associate Director

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Cc: Welch, Victoria [REDACTED]; Payne, Hannah [REDACTED]; Guy Pearson-Gregory [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: 100400/OUT/20 - B&Q

Hi Matt,

Our response to the below:

There does appear to be a number of root protection areas that extend into the development site and whilst the majority of them do not extend very far into the site they would still require protection beyond the site boundary to ensure the integrity of the trees is retained. The RPA for the tree near to T15 and T16 extends a substantial amount into the development site and beyond the hedging works proposed for the boundary treatment to the properties. Further information with regards to the type and condition of this and any trees impacted is required and also method statements for any works being undertaken where the development area extends into the RPA, or depending on findings agreeing their removal if necessary.

Unfortunately there isn't much more we can add, except to say we think more emphasis or weight is being put on the position of the RPAs which is a design tool – the actual spread of roots is determined by ground conditions.

The likelihood of Metrolink tree roots in actuality being within the hard-surfacing on the site is low. The presence of roots of the trees along the boundary within the site that are proposed for removal will also have inhibited root growth from Metrolink trees within this verge.

Therefore we think what is proposed will not damage the roots of Metrolink trees.

Kind regards,
Mark

Mark Levitt
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Subject: 100400/OUT/20 - B&Q

Hi Matthew,

Following on from the emails yesterday, I have received the attached comments from TfGM in terms of the revised RPA plan the updated TA addendum.

In terms of TfGM boundary trees, there are still some slight concerns, however TfGM indicate this could be addressed via condition.

The TfGM Urban Traffic Control unit does however still raise concerns with the modelling of the junction and have advised their previous comments still apply.

Kind regards

Debra

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