



BERMUDA HOUSING CORPORATION

INVITATION TO TENDER

Vegetation Removal, Stump and Root Extraction, and Site Securing Works

Project Title: Vegetation Clearance and Site Fencing Installation

Project Location: Harbor View Village – Phase 4, St. David's, Bermuda

Tender Issue Date: Friday, October 9, 2026

Tender Closing Date: Tuesday, November 10, 2026

Submission Deadline: 3:00 p.m. Bermuda Time

Anticipated Commencement: Within 14 calendar days of formal contract award, subject to necessary approvals.

1. Invitation to Tender

The Bermuda Housing Corporation (BHC) invites suitably qualified and experienced contractors to submit competitive quotations for the complete removal of vegetation, trees, stumps and associated root systems, together with the installation of temporary perimeter security fencing at Harbor View Village Phase 4.

The works form part of the preliminary site preparation for future residential development.

The designated clearance area is approximately **4,180 square meters (44,993 square feet)** and is **situated adjacent to St. David's Road, Southside Road, and an existing internal roadway and parking facilities serving the neighboring** residential community.

Given the proximity of these roads and occupied residential properties, the works must be undertaken with particular attention to controlled tree removal, public safety, protection of existing infrastructure and maintaining uninterrupted residential access wherever practicable.

2. Scope of Works

2.1 Complete Vegetation Removal

The Contractor shall provide all labor, supervision, equipment, machinery, transportation, tools, safety provisions and associated resources necessary for the following:

1. Complete removal of all identified vegetation, including but not limited to:
 - Mature and overgrown Casuarina trees.



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- Mexican Pepper trees.
 - Shrubs, bushes, vines and invasive vegetation.
 - Other trees, undergrowth and vegetation identified within the designated clearance area.
2. Controlled cutting, sectional dismantling and removal of trees, including branches, trunks and associated debris.
 3. **Complete extraction and removal of tree stumps, root crowns and major root systems**, particularly those associated with mature Casuarina trees.
 4. Removal of roots and woody material that could cause future regrowth, settlement or obstruction to the proposed construction works.
 5. Removal and lawful disposal of all vegetation, timber, branches, stumps, roots and associated waste materials.
 6. General clearing, backfilling and making safe of disturbed areas to prepare the site for subsequent construction activities.

Stump Removal Requirement: Cutting trees flush with the ground, grinding stumps below grade or leaving substantial root systems in place shall not constitute satisfactory completion unless specifically authorized in writing by BHC.

Where roots extend beneath existing roads, parking areas, utility corridors or adjoining property, the Contractor shall not excavate or undermine these areas without prior written direction from BHC and an approved protection or removal methodology.

2.2 Stump and Root Extraction Requirements

Particular attention shall be given to mature Casuarina trees, which may have extensive lateral root systems and substantial root crowns.

The Contractor shall:

- Excavate and remove the complete stump/root crown and accessible major structural roots within the designated clearance area.
- Remove remaining woody roots where reasonably practicable and necessary to prepare the site for future construction.
- Identify roots extending toward adjoining roadways, retaining structures, parking areas, buildings or underground services.





- Obtain BHC approval before undertaking excavation that may compromise existing infrastructure or neighboring property.
- Backfill stump excavations with suitable approved material and compact to prevent hazardous voids and future settlement.
- Maintain appropriate drainage and erosion-control measures during excavation.

Uncontrolled pulling, pushing or mechanical extraction techniques that could destabilize adjoining roads, boundary structures or retained trees are prohibited.

BHC reserves the right to inspect stump excavations and verify satisfactory root removal before backfilling.

2.3 Measurable Stump and Root Removal Pricing

To establish a clear and consistent basis for pricing and minimize the potential for subsequent claims or variations, tenderers shall provide:

1. **A separate lump-sum price** for complete stump and root removal within the designated clearance area, inclusive of all identified Casuarina and other vegetation.
2. **A supplementary unit rate** for the removal of unforeseen large stumps or root systems that are demonstrably outside the identified tender scope.
3. A description of the proposed method of stump and root extraction, including excavation, removal, disposal, backfilling and reinstatement.
4. Confirmation that all reasonably identifiable stumps and root systems have been included within the base tender price.

Any additional work involving unforeseen stump or root conditions shall require **BHC's prior written authorization** before execution.

The supplementary unit rate shall not entitle the Contractor to additional payment for work reasonably included within the original tender scope.

3. Site Access and Construction Logistics

All access to and from the site shall be exclusively through the southern access point adjacent to Strikez bowling lanes.

No alternative entry or exit point shall be used without BHC's prior written authorization.

The Contractor shall:



1. Establish a designated site entrance and controlled access point.
2. Ensure all vehicles and equipment enter and leave through the approved southern access.
3. Provide trained traffic marshals/banksman where heavy equipment, trucks or tree-removal operations interact with vehicular or pedestrian routes.
4. Prevent construction vehicles from obstructing St. David's Road, Southside Road or the internal residential access road.
5. Maintain safe access to existing residential properties and parking facilities.
6. Coordinate deliveries, machinery movements and removal of vegetation to minimize disruption to residents.
7. Prevent mud, vegetation and construction debris from being deposited onto public roadways.
8. Provide appropriate signage and temporary barriers around active work areas.

No public road closure, traffic diversion, lane restriction or occupation of a public road shall occur without authorization from the relevant authority.

4. Tree Removal and Public Safety Requirements

4.1 Tree-Felling Methodology

Due to the proximity of the site to public roads and occupied residential areas, uncontrolled tree felling is strictly prohibited wherever the potential fall zone could extend beyond the secured work area.

The Contractor shall submit a **Tree Removal Method Statement and Site-Specific Risk Assessment** before commencement.

The submission shall identify:

- Tree sizes, approximate heights, locations and anticipated fall zones.
- Trees requiring sectional dismantling rather than conventional felling.
- Proposed equipment, including cranes, elevated work platforms, chainsaws and rigging equipment.
- Methods for controlling the descent of limbs and trunk sections.
- Measures to prevent falling trees or branches from entering public roads, residential access routes, parking areas or neighboring properties.
- Ground conditions, tree stability and potential root-plate failure.





- Weather restrictions and emergency procedures.

Where conventional felling cannot be undertaken safely within the secured site boundary, the Contractor shall employ appropriate controlled sectional dismantling and rigging techniques.

4.2 Casuarina-Specific Precautions

Particular care shall be exercised when removing mature or overgrown Casuarina trees.

The Contractor shall assess:

1. Tree lean, height, branch condition and structural stability.
2. Root stability, particularly where trees are growing along embankments or close to paved surfaces.
3. Potential brittle or dead branches that may become dislodged during cutting.
4. The effect of prevailing winds and sudden gusts on tall trees and suspended limbs.
5. Potential damage to roads, retaining walls, buried services and adjoining property during stump extraction.

Trees exhibiting significant lean, decay, unstable root plates or other structural defects shall be evaluated by a suitably competent tree-work professional before removal.

4.3 Public Roads and Residential Protection

The Contractor shall maintain an exclusion zone around active tree-felling and lifting operations based on tree height, fall direction, rigging methodology and site conditions.

Where the exclusion zone could extend into St. David's Road, Southside Road, the internal residential road or parking facilities, work shall not proceed until the appropriate traffic-control measures and authorizations are in place.

Required measures may include:

- Temporary traffic control and warning signs.
- Authorized traffic stoppages or lane restrictions.
- Trained traffic marshals.
- Physical barriers and exclusion-zone fencing.
- Controlled pedestrian diversions.
- Temporary suspension of parking in affected areas, subject to BHC coordination.



- Advance notification to affected residents.

The Contractor shall ensure that residents, pedestrians and motorists are not exposed to falling branches, suspended loads, moving equipment or tree-felling operations.

4.4 Equipment and Personnel Safety

The Contractor shall employ trained and competent personnel experienced in tree-felling, rigging and operation of heavy equipment.

The following minimum safety provisions shall apply:

- Appropriate helmets, eye and hearing protection, gloves, high-visibility clothing and safety footwear.
- Chainsaw-rated leg protection for personnel operating chainsaws.
- Suitable fall-protection systems for authorized work at height.
- Inspection and certification, where applicable, of lifting equipment, rigging gear and elevated work platforms.
- Designated exclusion zones beneath suspended loads and active cutting areas.
- Daily equipment inspections and pre-start safety briefings.
- Appropriate emergency rescue procedures for personnel working at height.
- First-aid provisions and accessible emergency communication arrangements.

No person shall work beneath suspended tree sections or within the uncontrolled fall zone of an active felling operation.

4.5 Weather Restrictions

Tree-felling and lifting operations shall be suspended whenever wind, lightning, heavy rainfall, poor visibility or unstable ground conditions make the work unsafe.

The Contractor shall monitor weather conditions and implement suitable restrictions based on the equipment manufacturers' operating limits, the approved method statement and the assessment of the competent supervisor.

5. Protection of Existing Infrastructure

The Contractor shall identify and protect all existing infrastructure potentially affected by the works, including:



- Public and internal roadways.
- Parking areas and pedestrian pathways.
- Underground electrical, water, drainage and telecommunications services.
- Boundary walls, fences and retaining structures.
- Existing residential buildings and associated infrastructure.
- Drainage channels and surface-water pathways.

Before excavation or stump extraction, the Contractor shall make reasonable enquiries with the relevant utility owners, review available service information and undertake appropriate service detection or trial excavations where necessary.

Any damage resulting from the Contractor's operations shall be immediately reported to BHC and made safe. Responsibility for rectification shall be determined in accordance with the Contract.

6. Statutory Approvals and Roadside Tree Removal

The Contractor shall identify all permits, consents, notifications and approvals necessary to lawfully undertake the works.

Particular consideration shall be given to tree removal and excavation adjacent to **St. David's Road and Southside Road**, including potential impacts on public road reserves, roadside infrastructure, traffic circulation and protected vegetation.

The Contractor shall:

1. Identify any road-traffic permissions required for temporary lane restrictions, traffic stoppages, equipment positioning or other activities affecting public roads.
2. Coordinate with BHC and the relevant Government departments regarding any approvals necessary for roadside vegetation removal.
3. Confirm whether environmental or planning permissions are required for the removal of particular trees or vegetation.
4. Obtain or assist BHC in obtaining the necessary approvals before undertaking the affected works.
5. Ensure all work complies with applicable Bermuda legislation, regulations, permit conditions and safety requirements.

No tree removal, excavation or equipment operation affecting a public road reserve, protected vegetation or neighboring property shall commence until the required approvals have been obtained.





BHC's instruction to undertake the works shall not, by itself, constitute authorization to undertake activities requiring separate statutory approval.

7. Temporary Site Fencing and Security

During perimeter clearing, the Contractor shall progressively install temporary fencing to secure the site against unauthorized public access.

The fencing shall:

1. Be sufficiently robust and stable for the site conditions.
2. Clearly delineate the active construction/clearance boundary.
3. Include lockable access gates at the designated southern entrance.
4. Be supported and braced to resist anticipated wind conditions.
5. Incorporate appropriate warning signage.
6. Prevent public access to excavations, machinery and vegetation-removal areas.
7. Be maintained in a safe and serviceable condition throughout the works.

Temporary fencing shall not be installed in a manner that obstructs public visibility, pedestrian movement or vehicular sightlines at road junctions.

The Contractor shall include the cost of supplying, installing and maintaining the fencing in the tender submission.

Unless otherwise directed by BHC, the fencing shall remain in place upon completion of the vegetation-removal works for the purpose of securing the site pending future development.

8. Environmental Protection and Waste Disposal

The Contractor shall implement measures to prevent unnecessary environmental damage and maintain the site in a safe condition.

These shall include:

- Disposal of cleared vegetation at an approved facility or by another method authorized by the relevant authority.
- No open burning unless expressly authorized by the appropriate authority and BHC.
- Dust suppression where necessary.
- Erosion and sediment controls around exposed soils and excavations.





- Protection of existing drainage routes.
- Prevention of debris entering public roads, drains or neighboring properties.
- Measures to prevent the spread of invasive vegetation through improper handling or disposal.
- Protection of trees or vegetation specifically identified by BHC for retention.

Any proposed disturbance to protected species, designated environmental features or land requiring special permission shall be referred to BHC before the work proceeds.

9. Contractor Responsibilities and Deliverables

The successful Contractor shall be responsible for:

1. Mobilization and demobilization.
2. Site establishment and temporary fencing.
3. Vegetation removal and controlled tree dismantling.
4. Complete stump and root extraction within the approved scope.
5. Excavation backfilling and making good.
6. Removal and disposal of all waste.
7. Protection of neighboring roads, residents and infrastructure.
8. Site safety, traffic management and environmental controls.
9. Final site cleaning and handover.

Before commencement, the Contractor shall submit:

- Detailed work program.
- Tree Removal Method Statement.
- Site-Specific Risk Assessment.
- Traffic and pedestrian management proposal.
- Equipment and personnel details.
- Insurance documentation.
- Emergency response procedures.





- Waste disposal arrangements.
- Schedule of required statutory approvals.

On completion, the Contractor shall provide photographic records of the cleared areas, including representative stump/root excavations before backfilling, and request a final inspection by BHC.

10. Tender Submission Requirements

Interested contractors shall submit the following:

1. **Formal priced quotation**, including a breakdown of:
 - Mobilization and site establishment.
 - Vegetation and tree removal.
 - **Complete stump and root extraction – separate lump sum.**
 - **Supplementary unit rate for unforeseen large stumps/root systems.**
 - Waste transportation and disposal.
 - Excavation backfilling and reinstatement.
 - Temporary fencing supply and installation.
 - Traffic management and safety provisions.
 - Demobilization and final cleaning.
2. Proposed program, including anticipated commencement date and duration.
3. Proposed tree-removal methodology and equipment.
4. Proof of public liability and other applicable insurance coverage.
5. Evidence of relevant experience with large-tree removal and land clearing.
6. Details of key personnel and relevant qualifications.
7. Schedule of assumptions, exclusions and proposed subcontractors.
8. Identification of any anticipated statutory approvals or traffic-management permissions.

Tenderers shall clearly identify any provisional allowances and shall not exclude stump and root removal from their base quotation.

11. Tender Period and Submission



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All tender submissions shall be sent electronically to:

Email: tenders@bhc.bm

Subject: Tender Submission – Harbor View Village Phase 4 – Vegetation Removal and Site Fencing

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Late submissions may not be considered.

BHC reserves the right to request clarification of submitted quotations, reject any or all tenders, or decline to award a contract in accordance with its applicable procurement requirements.

The lowest-priced tender will not necessarily be accepted.

12. Anticipated Commencement and Completion

The successful Contractor shall be prepared to commence work within **14 calendar days of formal contract award**, subject to receipt of all necessary approvals and completion of required safety and access arrangements.

Tenderers shall identify their proposed completion period and demonstrate how they intend to execute the work safely while maintaining the surrounding residential and public road operations.

No work shall commence until BHC has issued formal written authorization.

13. Site Visits and Clarifications

Tenderers are strongly encouraged to undertake a site inspection before submitting their quotations, particularly to assess:

- Mature Casuarina tree heights and proximity to roads.
- Tree access and equipment requirements.
- Stump and root extraction conditions.
- Ground conditions and potential underground services.
- Existing residential access and parking arrangements.



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- Temporary fencing requirements.
- Waste removal and truck movements.

For further information or to arrange a site visit, please contact:

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All material tender clarifications or changes to the scope will be communicated consistently to participating tenderers.

Bermuda Housing Corporation thanks all interested contractors for their consideration and looks forward to receiving their submissions.

