

Julie Marson

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Subject: Re: DMOT/2021/1746
Attachments: Tree Photos TRENT VIEW.pdf

Dear Julie,

Apologies for the delay but It was very hard to attach all the pics due to the size of the files, so the only way was to save the pics as a PDF. If you review pics in order attached and look at below notes alongside the garden map previously sent, it should be easy to work out what I am referring to. I have had another arborist out for opinion and have added their comments below;

T1 - FIR TREE

FIRST 4 PICTURES & LAST 3 PICTURES

PICS 1-4 and PICS : shows the ivy has travelled up the tree to crown and embedded itself into tree and damaged the trunk. The Ivy would be impossible to remove now. The large cracks around the tree show the strength of the wood has been compromised, as the cell wall of vessels have collapsed (pics 2 and 3). This may also be sunscald. We have had an arborist out to look at all the trees and his opinion on the fir is its dangerous as its leaning towards the house (picture one you can see the lean). Picture 4 and 14 both shows the very big size of the tree, the hedge to the left is 20 feet so we can assume the tree is 70-80 feet tall. This is dangerous if it were to fall in the direction it is leaning it would crash into cars and a glass roof of the conservatory.

PICS 14/16/17 - It's difficult to see structural defects above the ground but he said the roots are being anchored and therefore not safe. On the last 3 pics you can see the tree leaning and see the paving around looks uneven and raised. They said the tree is hazardous at the height it has been left to grow to. It blocks light to the house.

ACTION: We want to remove this tree for safety reasons.

PICTURE 5 SHOWS T2,3,4 - very big trees in a small area, again the hedge is a 20 foot hedge to give an idea of size. They are too tall for the environment they are in which is a private garden. They have outgrown the space in the garden as they have had hat rack pruning.

T2 - MAPLE TREE PICTURE 15

We would like to reduce the height and size by pollarding the tree so that it can grow into a nicer smaller maple tree that can then be maintained by pruning.

ACTION: We want to pollard to 3 feet above the hedge on the left.

T3 - APPLE TREE PICTURE 8 / 9

This is a lovely old apple tree but again it has had lower branches cut so that it has lost its lovely shape and been damaged. The badly cut branches have caused coral spot on the stubs. It needs reshaping and reducing in height, so we reduce the crown by half of its height. The arborist said the tree looks to have had too much pruning in a previous year so has had vigorous growth upwards. This has had hat rack pruning.

ACTION: we reduce the crown by half of its height and trim side branches to creat a smaller apple tree without damaging the tree

T4 -SILVER BIRCH PICTURE 10 - 13

This shows badly cut branches at the lower front and upper part of trees making it grow upwards in an excessive height. There is also a silver birch at the fence on neighbour's garden so aesthetically the same tree is within 5 metres. This tree cannot be pollarded as there are no branches on the lower part to regrow into a nicer smaller tree. There is not enough in the crown as it is too thin to do anything with for reduction.

This has had hat rack pruning which has really damaged the tree.

ACTION: We want to remove this tree to improve space and visibility.

T5 - WEEPING WILLOW

PIC 6-7; shows the branches going over into public footpath, where they have broken off in recent high winds and caused a nuisance and a complaint from a walker.

ACTION: We want to reduce the height of the willow by a third and will do this by thinning out the crown and cutting side branches. The crown will be reduced by 4 feet so it doesn't impact the trees health/look. The branches with concentrated and dead shoots will be pruned first and then in stages as the tree is dormant currently it will be best to do this work over winter.

Just to also note on old pictures of the garden none of these trees are present.
All work will now take place next year.

Kind Regards,

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