

TREE SURVEY

13 and 14th July 2017

Mr. J Lumley

OUR REF: RT

DATE: 14th July 2017

CLIENT:

<u>SITE</u> <u>ADDRESS:</u>

Cedar Chase, Taplow, Maidenhaead, SL6 0EU.

DATE OF VISIT:

PEOPLE PRESENT:

<u>REPORT COMPLETED BY</u>: Mr J Lumley

Note

In reading and understanding the contents of this report it should be remembered that no tree could be deemed risk free, as with all things in the natural environment. They are subject to unpredictable forces such as extreme weather, effects of disease, and man's influence upon them. We investigate every obvious and available facet of the tree's structure and its surroundings in reaching a conclusion as to a level safety. These conclusions and recommendations seek to improve the level of risk that the trees may pose to one that could be considered acceptable, given the tree's location, site use, and owners' acceptance of the level of risk and the perception of its value to the environment. No tree can ever be considered completely hazard free, and regular monitoring of the tree and its surroundings should be undertaken by the owner and they're appointed specialist advisors, where necessary on a cyclic and recorded basis.



REPORT REFERENCES

As a progressive company, we keep abreast of research data relating to arboriculture. All observations, recommendations and works are based on current industry standard reference material and extensive FA Bartlett research findings derived from the company's own facilities at University of Reading UK and Charlotte in the USA. A selection of pertinent items is shown in Appendix 2.

REPORT LIMITATIONS

A Basic* tree risk assessment and tree health inspection were conducted on each tree identified in the scope-of works. Trees not included in the scope-of-work were not inspected. Tree details are approximations made to a level that is required for the purposes of this report. These tree details include species identification, tree dimensions and age range entered within the report. Observations were made from ground level the trees were not climbed.

(*Basic assessment as described in the ISA BMP for tree risk assessment is a detailed visual inspection of a tree and surrounding site that may include the use of simple tools. It requires that a tree risk assessor walk completely around the tree trunk looking at the site, aboveground roots, trunk and branches.)

All tree risk assessments undertaken during surveys or inspections either on single trees or multiples of trees, use the methodology established by the International Society of Arboriculture, in the publication, "Best Management Practice – Tree Risk Assessment" (Smiley, Matheny and Lilly 2011) and in the F.A. Bartlett publication 'Tree Risk Management' (Smiley, Fraedrich, Hendrickson 2009), Principles of Tree Hazard Assessment & Management (HMSO Lonsdale 1999), Arboriculture: Integrated Management of Landscape Trees, Shrubs and Vines, 4th Edition (Harris, Clark and Matheny 2004). This format may be specifically detailed in text related to reports on single and smaller groups of trees but will be implicit for large scale surveys unless specified to the contrary by the client.

It is not possible to maintain trees free of risk, some level of risk must be accepted in order to experience the full range of benefits that trees provide. As such we reference the recently published document by the National Tree Safety Group (NTSG), Common sense risk management of trees (Forestry Commission 2011). This document provides guidance on trees and public safety in the UK for owners, managers and advisors.

TREE PRESERVATION ORDER PROTECTION

None of the trees have Tree Preservation Orders or stand within a Conservation area



SITE DETAILS

I visited Cedar Chase on the 13th and 14th July 2017. I visually inspected all the trees on the site. The weather was warm and sunny. The site is a housing estate with communal areas containing a variety of trees. None of the trees were climbed.

SITE PLANS

Overview



North of Site



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South of Site





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Garage Area



Front of no. 14



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RECOMMENDATIONS

The respective recommendations are included in the tree schedules below

Tree Survey Schedule Key:

Tree No – tree reference number on tag / tree location plan

Species – tree species giving common name.

Size – tree height recorded as S (small) 0 metres – 5 metres; M (medium) 5 metres – 10 metres; L (large) 10 metres and taller.

Condition – reference to structural observations expressed as **G** (good) no visible defects, dysfunction or decay, possibly with minor damage (not structural concern); M (moderate) remedial defects such as included unions, crossing / rubbing branches, small diameter cavities, presence of decay fungi etc.; **P** (poor) significant structural defects/hazards, significant dieback, dead tree.

Notes & Recommendations – free text entry further comments about tree and recommended tree management

Work Priority – expressed as numerical values recorded as 1 (within 12 months); 2 (in year 2) 3 (in yr 3); 4 N/A (not applicable as no priority)

Further Detailed Assessment – structural / physiological feature requiring detailed assessment such as PICUS / ArborCheck / Laboratory Analysis.

• Note to Client: This is a limited visual assessment as defined by the International Society of Arboriculture as "a visual assessment of an individual tree or a population of trees, near a specified target, conducted from a specific perspective, in order to identify certain obvious defects or specified conditions. Observations are made from ground level and the tree is not climbed." The extent of identified cavities, decay and/or other structural defects have not been quantified and such features will be recommended for further basic and/or detailed assessment.



I trust this report is helpful to you; should you have any queries or require further advice, please do not hesitate to contact me.

REPORT CLASSIFICATION: Tree survey

REPORT STATUS: Completed

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