

# DRAFT NOTES



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## Minutes of the meeting of Holbeach Parish Council Open Spaces Committee on Wednesday 23rd July 2025 at 10:00 at Coubro Chambers, 11 West End

Those present :

Chair : Cllr J Sharman  
Councillors : Cllr S Ball, Cllr I Hutchinson

\* Attended remotely

### Meeting opened at:

10:03

### OS25/6-024 Apologies

Apologies have been received from Cllr P Foyster were received and accepted under the delegated powers of the Clerk.

### OS25/6-025 Declarations of Interest

TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE LOCALISM ACT 2011

Cllr J Sharman declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item OS25/6-028 Allotments.

### OS25/6-026 Minutes

TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE NOTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 25TH JUNE 2025.

It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** That the official minutes of the meetings of the Council held on 25th June 2025 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

### OS25/6-027 Clerk's report

1. To receive a report from the Clerk.

Good Morning

I'm pleased to share that our new seasonal worker, Aaron, joined us on Monday 14th July and is settling in well. He has been assigned responsibility for Carter's Park and is making good progress with the tasks allocated to him. We warmly

welcome Aaron to the team.

During a site walk with Dan at Carter's Park on Monday 21st July, a few concerns came to light that I would like to raise with the committee.

In particular, the small slide within the playground area has several sharp objects at its base. To help mitigate the risk of injury during the school summer holidays, I recommend purchasing bark as an interim safety measure until permanent repairs can be carried out.

Tree 0861, located in the corner behind the tractor shed, appears to be completely hollow at its base. Due to the potential safety risk, I would like permission to arrange for a tree surgeon to assess the tree as a matter of urgency.

In preparation for repainting, Aaron has been tasked with cleaning and wire-brushing the children's play equipment. This will allow him to begin painting promptly on suitable weather days.

As part of his daily routine, Aaron has also been asked to check benches and play equipment each morning for any bird droppings or other issues requiring cleaning prior to peak park usage.

#### **OS25/6-041      Work Scheduling & Park Team Report**

The Committee resolved to amend the agenda order, with Item OS25/6-041 to be considered ahead of subsequent items.

1. To **resolve to agree** the Work Schedule.

It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to approve the updated Work Schedule, incorporating tasks from the Park Team Report, and to distribute it to relevant members.

2. To review and **resolve to agree** the Park Team Reports and any action required.

It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to agree the Park Team Reports and to implement any necessary actions arising from the findings.

#### **OS25/6-028      Allotments**

1. To receive an update on the waiting list and vacant allotments.

It was noted that there are 8 vacant plots available at the Battlefields site. The Committee noted the vacancies and requested that the waiting list be reviewed to allocate plots accordingly.

2. To receive an update on the allotment shed.

The Committee noted the position and agreed to defer further discussion until an update is received.

3. To **resolve to agree** to allow tenant on Plot 4 at Battlefields to install 9ft x 9ft Greenhouse.

It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** It was resolved to approve the installation of the greenhouse, subject to the following conditions:

- The structure must be securely installed and maintained.
- The tenant remains responsible for any damage or safety concerns.
- The greenhouse must not obstruct neighbouring plots or access paths.

**OS25/6-029**

## **Carter's Park**

1. To receive to an update on quotes for wet pour in playground area. It was reported that: • Initial quotes for wet pour surfacing were based on a broad specification and proved expensive.

Bonded mulch was suggested as an alternative, but further investigation is needed.

Cllr I Hutchinson had approached several suppliers and will now seek specific quotes for the zip line area.

The option of using 4-tonne bags of play bark, priced at £105.00 per bag, was also noted and agreed as a temporary Health and Safety option.

The Committee noted the update and agreed that Cllr I Hutchinson should obtain targeted quotes for the zip line surfacing.

Explore cost-effective alternatives to wet pour, including bonded mulch and play bark.

2. To receive an update on quote for professional spraying.

Members received an update regarding a quote for professional spraying of council-maintained grounds.

It was noted that:

- A contractor is scheduled to visit on Friday to provide a quote.
- The areas to be assessed include the large outfield and the vicinity of the tennis courts.

The Committee noted the update and agreed to await the contractor's quote before considering next steps.

3. To receive an update on costs for purchasing own equipment for spraying.

Members received an update on the potential costs of purchasing equipment for in-house spraying.

It was reported that:

- Machinery would cost approximately £1,300.
- A training course for safe and compliant use would cost around £250.
- Additional costs would be incurred for chemicals, subject to type and quantity.

The Committee noted the indicative costs and agreed to review options once the professional spraying quote is received, to determine the most cost-effective approach

4. To receive an update regarding the Drainage Board.

Members received an update regarding ongoing issues with the temporary fencing installed near the Drainage Board-managed area.

It was noted that the fencing is not proving effective, and further action is required.

The Committee requested that the Deputy Clerk contact the Drainage Board to discuss alternative solutions and seek their advice or assistance.

5. To **resolve to agree** to purchase a net to trial on hard standing area.

It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** Members considered a proposal to trial a tennis net on the hard standing area to enhance recreational use.

It was noted that:

- Cllr I Hutchinson proposed installation of the net across the area recreational use.
- Estimated costs include:
- 2 x 6ft posts at £30 each
- Postcrete at £56
- Net at £40
- Total estimated budget: £250, to be drawn from the play equipment budget.

It was resolved to approve the purchase and installation of the football net as a trial, within the allocated budget of £250.

6. To receive an update from Park Team regarding grass cutting.

Members received an update from the Park Team regarding the current status of grass cutting.

It was confirmed that all scheduled grass cutting is up to date.

The Committee noted the update with thanks to the Park Team for maintaining the schedule.

**OS25/6-030**

#### **Carter's Park Bowls Club**

1. To receive further details from Bowls Club in regard to Sponsorship signs.

Members received further details from member of the Bowls Club regarding proposed sponsorship signage to support the upcoming tournament and promote the club.

It was reported that:

- The club has secured 4 to 5 sponsors, each contributing £100 to £150.
- Sponsors will provide 2ft x 3ft advertising signs, produced at their own cost.
- Proposed placement includes:
- 4 signs on one side of the pavilion wall
- 3 signs on the adjacent side
- A possible sign on a post and consideration of a Bowls Club-branded sign

The Bowls Club noted that their greens are among the best in the area, and the sponsorship initiative aims to enhance visibility and support.

The Committee noted the proposal and agreed to refer the matter to the Full Council meeting in August for formal consideration.

**OS25/6-031**

#### **Carter's Park Football Club**

1. To receive an update on quotes for trees at floodlight.

Members received an update on quotes for tree work near the floodlight area, adjacent to the Football Club.

It was reported that:

- Quotes have been obtained for the necessary tree work.
- The Football Club has been informed.
- Cllr I Hutchinson requested to proceed with the work as soon as possible, using delegated powers to authorise the action.

The Committee noted the update and supported the use of delegated powers by Deputy Clerk to ensure timely completion of the tree work.



2. To receive an update from members who attended the AGM.

Members received an update from those who attended the recent Annual General Meeting (AGM).

It was reported that:

- Cllr I Hutchinson reported that they have financial issues and that the football club are keen to work more closely with the Parish Council.
- A meeting is to be arranged with the Football Club to discuss lease arrangements for the various areas, including:
  - The Football Club
  - The Social Club, which operates as a Limited Company
  - Tigerolls

Key points raised included:

- The need to resolve lease agreements, including the possibility of allowing the Social Club and Tigerolls to sublet.
- Consideration of whether to issue a single lease for the whole area or separate leases for each entity.
- The importance of seeking legal advice to ensure clarity and compliance.

The Committee noted the update and agreed to arrange a meeting with the Football Club and seek legal guidance on lease structuring and subletting permissions.

## **OS25/6-032 Carter's Park Play Area**

1. To review and **resolve to agree** the way forward regarding the play inspection report.

It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** Members reviewed the recent Play Inspection Report and considered necessary actions to address identified issues.

It was noted that:

- The DT area requires basic painting and general tidying.
- The zip wire / cable runway is in poor condition and needs full replacement.
- It was agreed that installation should be carried out by a professional company, not the Park Team.
- Indicative costs include:
  - £600 for removal and rebuild of the cable runway
  - Up to £500 for replacement cable, tyres, and tensioners
- Members also discussed whether the same company could undertake surfacing works, with options including rubber crumb or bonded bark.

It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** Engaging a professional contractor to replace the zip wire / cable runway.

Seeking quotes for surfacing options, including rubber crumb and bonded bark. Authorising Park Team for area improvements through basic maintenance and painting.

The Committee agreed to review full costings once quotes are received and consider surfacing as part of the overall upgrade.

Slide Wet Pour (Wicksteed):

- Concern raised regarding the wet pour surface at the top of the slide.
- DT confirmed the surface can be lifted and inspected.
- Members agreed to locate warranty paperwork to determine if the issue is covered under guarantee.

Bin Replacement:

- A new bin is required in the children's play area.
- DT will remove the existing bin and chain a wheelie bin temporarily until a replacement is installed.

Seesaw Repairs:

- The two-person seesaw requires new internal bolts and replacement parts.
- Repairs to be scheduled once parts are sourced.

Painting Requirements:

- Play equipment to be repainted using Blue and Green Hammerite.
- Benches to be painted in Holly Green and Brown, with white or black edging.
- Sandtex paint to be used on concrete surfaces.
- Additional supplies needed include paint brushes.

Resolution:

The Committee noted the update and agreed to:

- Locate warranty documentation for the slide wet pour.
- Proceed with temporary bin solution and plan for permanent replacement.
- Authorise seesaw repairs and repainting works using the specified colours and materials.

**OS25/6-033 Carter's Park Tennis Courts**

1. To receive an update and **resolve to agree** tennis court maintenance.

Members received an update regarding tennis court maintenance and discussed options for future upkeep.

It was reported that:

- A contractor was previously paid to clean the courts; IH will locate the contract and forward relevant emails from approximately 18 months ago.
- Maintenance costs were covered under the Tennis Court budget.
- The Park Team has expressed willingness to bring maintenance back in-house, proposing the hire of an electric pressure washer.
- Members agreed to investigate whether a current maintenance contract exists and to review costs for hiring or purchasing equipment.

It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:**

- Confirm the existence and terms of any current maintenance contract.
- Explore costs for hiring or purchasing a pressure washer.
- Continue funding from the Tennis Court budget.
- Support the Park Team's proposal to undertake future cleaning in-house, subject to cost review.

2. To receive an update regarding the Tennis Lawn Association.

Members received an update regarding recent correspondence and actions with the Tennis Lawn Association.

It was reported that:

- The required form has been completed and returned.
- An invoice for the grant has been submitted.
- Plans are in place for general PR to support the opening of the refurbished tennis courts, including the placement of a large promotional banner.

The Committee noted the update and supported the proposed public relations activity to promote the tennis court opening.

**OS25/6-034 Netherfield Playing Field**

1. To **resolve to agree** to remove the self-seeded Cherry Tree.

It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** It was resolved to approve the removal of the self-seeded Cherry Tree by the Park Team, with the task to be included in their scheduled works.

2. To **resolve to agree** to trim top, side and bottom of conifer.

It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** It was resolved to approve the trimming of the conifer by the Park Team, with the work to be scheduled accordingly.

3. To receive an update from Park Team regarding grass cutting.

Members received an update from the Park Team regarding grass cutting across council-maintained areas.

It was reported that:

- All areas are in good condition, with plans to return and cut again this week.
- The team has received numerous compliments from residents on the quality of the work.

The Committee noted the update and expressed thanks to the Park Team for their continued efforts and positive community feedback

**OS25/6-035 Park Road Cemetery**

1. To receive an update on Park Road Cemetery fence.

Members received an update regarding fencing works at Park Road Cemetery.

It was reported that:

- Quotes are awaited for internal fencing repairs.
- The external picket fence requires fixing, with replacement timber (3 x 1) priced at £17.82 per length.
- The fence will also require repainting with creosote once repairs are completed.

The Committee noted the update and agreed to proceed with sourcing quotes and materials for repair and repainting.

2. To receive an update in regard to Holly contract.

Members received a brief update regarding the Holly contract.

It was noted that:

- An email has been sent requesting further information.
- DT will inform the Deputy Clerk of a further update.

The Committee noted the update and agreed to await further information before taking any action.

3. To review and **resolve to agree** Cedar of Lebanon tree. (Tree reference 0956)

It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to:

1. Arrange a professional tree report to confirm the condition and urgency.
  2. Proceed with removal of the tree, subject to the report's findings.
  3. Notify SHDC immediately under emergency procedures.
4. To **resolve to agree** to purchase a new tree and plant at Cedar Stump.

It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to approve the purchase of the replacement tree at £105.00 and to plant it at the Cedar stump site following removal of the existing tree.

5. To receive an update from Park Team regarding grass cutting.
- Members received an update from the Park Team regarding grass cutting.

It was reported that:

- All areas are up to date and grass cutting is on schedule.

The Committee noted the update with thanks to the Park Team for maintaining standards.

#### **OS25/6-036 Hallgate Cemetery**

1. To receive an update in regard to memorial for Terry Harrington Memorial.
- Members received an update regarding the proposed memorial for Terry Harrington.

It was reported that:

- A metal bench is to be purchased and installed in the left-hand side area of the designated site.
- Suggestions for plaque wording will be circulated to Full Council for input and agreement.

The Committee noted the update and supported the approach to engage Full Council in finalising the plaque wording.

2. To receive an update from Park Team regarding grass cutting.
- Members received an update from the Park Team regarding grass cutting and associated works.

It was reported that:

- Grass cutting is up to date and strimming is scheduled.
- Spraying is required to maintain weed control, but this task requires two-person assistance for safe and effective completion.

The Committee noted the update and agreed to support the Park Team in arranging appropriate staffing to complete spraying and strimming tasks

#### **OS25/6-037 All Saints Churchyard**

1. To receive an update on chemical purchase for brambles.
- Members received an update regarding the purchase of chemicals for bramble control.

It was reported that:

- The required chemicals have been purchased and received.

The Committee noted the update and confirmed readiness to proceed with bramble treatment as scheduled.

2. To **resolve to agree** to gain quote for silver birch.

It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** The Committee resolved to obtain a quote for the removal of the Silver Birch and to proceed with removal once approved.

3. To receive an update from Park Team regarding grass cutting.

Members received an update from the Park Team regarding grass cutting and maintenance of the English Bluebells area.

It was reported that:

- Grass cutting is up to date across all areas.
- The English Bluebells area has now been sorted, with maintenance completed to a satisfactory standard.

The Committee noted the update and expressed thanks to the Park Team for their continued care and attention to sensitive planting areas.

**OS25/6-038**

### **Holbeach Hurn, Holbeach Bank & Holbeach St Johns**

1. To receive an update from Park Team regarding grass cutting.

It was reported that:

- All grass cutting is progressing well in these areas.
- The Park Team requested support to maintain surrounding trees, ensuring grass cutting can continue effectively and safely.

The Committee noted the update and agreed to review tree maintenance needs to support ongoing grounds work.

**OS25/6-039**

### **Tree Work**

1. To receive an update on quotes for the Lime trees.

Members received an update regarding the Lime trees.

It was reported that:

- Quotes for works are expected to be received next week.
- A tree survey is required, and the relevant survey company has been contacted to arrange this.

The Committee noted the update and agreed to await the incoming quotes and survey findings before proceeding

The Committee resolved to adjust the agenda order, with Items 42 and 43 to be taken before the budget item to support timely decision-making.

**OS25/6-042**

### **Projects**

1. To receive an update on the disabled path.

Members received an update regarding the proposed disabled access path.

It was reported that:

- South Holland District Council (SHDC) has launched a Crowd Funding initiative, open until October, with potential to contribute up to £5,000 toward the project.
- Proper official quotes are required to support the funding application and progress the works.

The Committee noted the update and agreed to proceed with obtaining formal quotes to enable participation in the SHDC Crowd Funding scheme.

2. To receive an update on the tractor shed.

Members received an update regarding the tractor shed and associated site improvements.

It was reported that:

- DT confirmed that a wooden shed is not permitted; the structure must be concrete.
- The current shed will be repaired, including pedestrian access, with an estimated cost of £8,000.
- The shed will require recladding, which can be included in future budget planning.
- A composting toilet is also proposed for installation on site.
- The works will be compiled as a full project, including quotes and plans, to be presented to Full Council for consideration.

The Committee noted the update and agreed to develop a full project proposal for submission to Full Council, incorporating shed repairs, recladding, pedestrian access, and composting toilet installation.

3. To receive an update on the pump track.

Members received an update regarding the Pump Track project.

It was reported that:

- A site survey is scheduled to take place on 24th July 2025.

The Committee noted the update and agreed to await the survey findings before progressing further.

4. To receive an update on public toilets.

Members received an update regarding the cleaning arrangements for public toilets.

It was reported that:

- No quotes have been received for cleaning services to date.
- Deputy Clerk will follow up and chase suppliers to obtain the necessary quotes.

The Committee noted the update and agreed to await further information once quotes have been sourced.

## **OS25/6-043      Equipment & IT**

1. To receive an update on Park Team tablet.

Members received an update regarding the tablet for the Park Team.

It was reported that:

- The tablet has been ordered and is currently awaiting delivery.

The Committee noted the update and agreed to confirm receipt and setup once the device is delivered.

2. To **resolve to agree** to gain quotes for replacement pole pruner or hire.

It was proposed, seconded and

**Resolved:** Members considered options for a replacement pole pruner or equipment hire.

It was reported that:

- A replacement pole pruner is available at £529, offering greater power.
- Hire costs are £58 per week or £28 per day, plus VAT.
- Park Team will forward the details to Deputy Clerk to proceed with the purchase.

The Committee resolved to proceed with purchasing the replacement pole pruner at £529, and instructed Park Team to send details to Deputy Clerk to complete the transaction.

3. To receive an update on asset list.

Members received an update regarding the council's asset list.

It was reported that:

- Cllr S Ball and Cllr J Sharman are currently reviewing and updating the asset list.
- Park Team noted that several tools and bent ladders are no longer fit for use and can be disposed of.
- New ladders are required for the Park Team to ensure safe operations.
- A full review is needed to identify items for replacement or disposal.

The Committee noted the update and agreed to support Cllr S Ball and Cllr J Sharman in completing the asset review, with a focus on identifying obsolete items and prioritising essential replacements.

#### **OS25/6-040 Budgets**

1. To review the Open Spaces budget.

Members considered the need to review the Open Spaces budget in detail.

It was agreed that:

- An Extraordinary Meeting will be called specifically to discuss budget matters, allowing sufficient time for focused consideration.

The Committee resolved to convene an Extraordinary Meeting to review the Open Spaces budget and determine future allocations.

#### **OS25/6-044 Next meeting**

1. The next meeting date for Open Spaces Committee is Wednesday 20th August 2025 at 10.00am.

**Meeting closed at:**

12:01

**Chairs Signature**

**Date**

Council 23/07/25 Chair's initials.....

# Report

**To:** Members of Holbeach Parish Council – Open Spaces Committee  
**From:** Becky Brothwell - Deputy Clerk  
**Date:** 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2025  
**Subject:** Clerk's report Open Spaces

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Good Morning

Work has commenced on the repainting of the play equipment and benches within Carter's Park. The task is being carried out by Aaron, whose workmanship has been noted as exemplary. Progress is steady, and the visual improvements are already evident.

Following consultation with the Tree & Nature Conservation Officer, approval has been granted to proceed with work on three specific trees as well as the line of trees along Park Road. This clearance allows for us to move forward with the necessary maintenance in accordance with conservation guidelines.

The Park Team has received the new ladders and tools requested during the July council meeting. These additions will support ongoing maintenance and ensure safer working conditions for staff

- A new replacement litter bin has been delivered and is ready for installation.
- The tennis net designated for the tarmac area has arrived. The supporting posts have been ordered and are scheduled for delivery next week.
- A replacement basketball hoop has been ordered to enhance recreational facilities.
- Play bark for the playground area has also been ordered and is expected to be delivered next week, contributing to improved safety and surface quality.

## Next Steps

- Monitor completion of repainting works and schedule final inspection. (Deputy Clerk)
- Coordinate tree maintenance in line with approved scope. (Deputy Clerk)
- Install new litter bin and tennis net posts upon arrival. (Park Team)
- Schedule installation of basketball hoop and spreading of play bark. (Park Team)
- Update asset register and maintenance logs accordingly. (Deputy Clerk)

Becky Brothwell  
Deputy Clerk

Date of completion: 21/08/2025



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**From:** Park Team  
**Date:** 22nd August 2025  
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## **Park Team Updates**

### **Carter's Park**

- All cut and stirmed up to date. All tidy, no issues.

### **Netherfield**

- All cut and stirmed up to date.

### **Hallgate Cemetery**

- All cut and stirmed up to date.

### **Park Road Cemetery**

- Grass cutting and strimming around headstones are fully up to date.

- A tree survey conducted on 31/05/2024 identified multiple trees affected by ivy growth. Ivy has since been severed on all highlighted trees.

- A small number of additional trees not listed in the survey also show signs of ivy, though the severity is minimal. These will be monitored and addressed as needed.

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### **Holbeach St Marks**

- Restoration work has now begun this week on the War Memorial by Holbeach Memorials.

### **All Saints Churchyard**

- Brambles have now been sprayed.

### **Fishpond Lane Nature Reserve**

- No Updates

### **Battlefields Allotment**

- No Updates

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## Actions Required – Park Team Sites

### **Carter's Park**

- Remove branch over tractor shed (Park Team?) – take some weight out of it – **quote received to be discussed.**
- Repair inclusive toilet: - Quotes for hoist – agreed previously on minutes – Installation Pack / Non-functional door lock / Door sticking / Hoist missing – **quotes still to be gained.**
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- Continue maintenance of burial area
- Conduct weed spraying (Requires second person due to wind conditions) **To be completed.**

### **Park Road Cemetery**

- Carry out weed spraying – including external spraying along Park Road, Park Lane and Edinburgh Walk. **To be completed.**
- Install Cemetery Chapels noticeboard **To be completed.**
- Trim vegetation along The Tenters side (Two-person task with pole pruner) **To be completed.**
- Issue letter to resident at The Tenters regarding waste disposal concern **To be completed.**  
IH Yew Trees need attention. **To be completed.**

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## **Holbeach St Marks**

- No actions required

## **All Saints Churchyard**

- Spray brambles using chemical already purchased – **Update brambles now sprayed.**
- Spray main path – **Completed.**
- Side-up right-hand pathway from Church Street to Church Walk – **Completed.**

## **Additional Operational Needs (AOB)**

- Install an additional waste bin for summer months – need an additional wheelie bin
- Purchase new hand tools – DT list of tools required to committee - **Update new tools now ordered and delivered.**
- Replenish rolling stock (bolts, screws, etc.) – quotes for bulk buying 6 months' supply
- Provide small toolkit for truck – **Update ordered and delivered.**
- Supply replacement fuses - **To be completed.**

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- Install Cemetery Chapels noticeboard **To be completed.**
- Trim vegetation along The Tenters side (Two-person task with pole pruner) **To be completed.**
- Issue letter to resident at The Tenters regarding waste disposal concern **To be completed.**  
IH Yew Trees need attention. **To be completed.**

### **Holbeach Hurn**

- No actions required

### **Holbeach Bank**

- No actions required

### **Holbeach St Johns**

- No actions required

# Report

**To:** Members of Holbeach Parish Council – Open Spaces Committee  
**From:** Park Team  
**Date:** 22nd August 2025  
**Subject:** Park Team Report

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## **Holbeach St Marks**

- No actions required

## **All Saints Churchyard**

- Spray brambles using chemical already purchased – **Update brambles now sprayed.**
- Spray main path – **Completed.**
- Side-up right-hand pathway from Church Street to Church Walk – **Completed.**

## **Additional Operational Needs (AOB)**

- Install an additional waste bin for summer months – need an additional wheelie bin
- Purchase new hand tools – DT list of tools required to committee - **Update new tools now ordered and delivered.**
- Replenish rolling stock (bolts, screws, etc.) – quotes for bulk buying 6 months' supply
- Provide small toolkit for truck – **Update ordered and delivered.**
- Supply replacement fuses - **To be completed.**
- Tree Inspection Courses (Lantra - Basic Tree Work).

## local help from a national company

[www.completeweedcontrol.co.uk](http://www.completeweedcontrol.co.uk)

quotation

Holbeach Parish Council  
Carters Park  
Holbeach  
Lincs

Quotation Number	NSL-3675	Date	04/08/2025
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To supply and apply selective herbicide to 4 acres of playing fields. £404.85 plus Vat.

Site	Description	Applications	Price Per Application	Total
Carters Park	Supply and application of selective herbicide for the control of broadleaf weeds 4 acre playing fields.	1	£404.85	£404.85
Sub Total				£404.85
Standard VAT at 20.00%				£80.97
Grand Total				£485.82

This quotation is valid for a period of 30 days from 04/08/2025

We undertake to offer further treatment free of charge to any area where it is agreed at a joint inspection that a satisfactory initial treatment in accordance with this quotation has not been achieved providing that notification of defect is given within 30 days of initial completion, or 90 days in the case of total/residual herbicides.

The specific control of grass and weed growth cannot be guaranteed due to varying seasonal temperatures and rainfall affecting the overall result.

### Customer Acceptance

For acceptance of this quotation please fill in and return to Complete Weed Control at the address below.

Signature		Date	
Order Number		Grand Total	

01775 841 426 07718 085 978 david.england@completeweedcontrol.co.uk www.completeweedcontrol.co.uk

CWC (Norfolk and South Lincs) registered in England and Wales. VAT No: 740955030  
22 Mill Lane, Gosberton, Lincolnshire, PE11 4NN





**Quote – Holbeach cemetery (please see tree report for exact location).**

Dear Becky,

Your quote to remove the cedar (T950) and Rowan tree (T946) as requested at the above address will come to the total amount of =£3000.

All arising's will be removed leaving the site tidy.

Please do not hesitate to contact me If you have any questions regarding this quote. My details can be found below.

Kindest regards,

Mr William T Tarrant.

**Sort code** : 60-83-71 **Account number** : 00146448 – Will The Tree Man LTD

**Cheques made payable to** : “Mr William Tarrant”

**Phone/mobile**: 07879554113. **Email** – [willthetreeman@outlook.com](mailto:willthetreeman@outlook.com) **Facebook**/willthetreeman

**Website** – [www.willthetreeman.co.UK](http://www.willthetreeman.co.UK)

**\*Please pay invoices within 14 days of receipt, unless agreed otherwise prior to works starting.**



**Thank you for your business.**



## **Quote**

**Date :- 21/8/2025**

**Address: Carter's park, Holbeach.**

Dear Becky,

Your quote to crown raise the trees adjacent to park road at the above address (To conform to the highways notice). This will come to the total amount of = £2400.

All arising's will be removed leaving the site tidy.

Please do not hesitate to contact me If you have any questions regarding this quote. My details can be found below.

Kindest regards,

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## Quote

**Address:-** Carter's park, Holbeach.

Dear Becky,

Your quote to remove the lime tree (T0861) which is over hanging the new fence and green keepers shed at the above address. This will come to the total amount of = £1200.

All arising's will be removed leaving the site tidy.

Please do not hesitate to contact me If you have any questions regarding this quote. My details can be found below.

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# **Health and Safety Report in relation to trees at Fishpond Lane Nature Reserve, Holbeach.**

**Prepared by: East Midlands Tree Surveys Ltd.**

**Date: 31/05/2024**

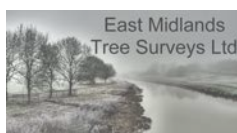
**Ref: EMTS\_H&S\_FLNR**

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## 1. Introduction/personal professional statement

East Midlands Tree Surveys LTD was incorporated in 2021, with John Wilcockson serving as the principal Arboricultural Consultant and co-Company Director. Before this, John operated as a Sole Trader Arb Consultant starting in 2014. Earlier in his career, he worked as a Tree Officer for both the Sleaford and Peterborough Local Planning Authorities. During the early years of his consultancy, he also worked part-time with the tree team at Peterborough Limited (Aragon), handling inquiries and conducting surveys of the City Council's street trees.

John holds the Arboricultural Association's Technician's Certificate and the LANTRA Professional Tree Inspection Certificate. He is also a fully qualified and time-served Forester, having dedicated 25 years to the Forestry Commission.

## 2. Instructions

This report was commissioned by Holbeach Parish Council on behalf of Fishpond Lane Nature Reserve, Holbeach. The objectives of this report are as follows:

- To make an assessment of the trees' condition and identify any faults.
- To provide management recommendations based on the data gathered.

## 3. Report Limitations

Trees are living organisms whose health and condition can change rapidly. The health, condition and safety of the trees therefore should be checked on a regular basis, preferably once a year; this is the responsibility of the tree owner. The conclusions and recommendations in this report are only valid in line with the recommendations provided commencing from the date of the survey. The period of validity may be reduced in the case of any change in condition or to proximity to the tree. Only those features that are apparent at the time of inspection could be assessed.

Although every effort has been made to detect defects within the trees inspected, no guarantee can be given as to the absolute safety or otherwise of any individual tree.

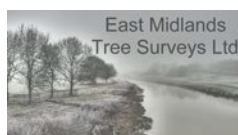
No soil samples were taken in preparation of this report and therefore no comments have been made in relation to any soil conditions.

An assessment was made of the trees' condition visually from ground level using Mattheck's Visual Tree Assessment methodology. No climbed inspection or detailed investigation of decay was made; however, this was not considered necessary as enough information was gained about the trees from a ground level inspection. If any faults or potential failings were identified on the tree these have been picked up in the tree survey notes. It should be noted that trees can change significantly over a relatively short period of time, and therefore trees should be monitored on a regular basis for sign of deterioration.

The following assessment procedure was carried out: -

1) observational assessment of the tree in a logical sequence, sub-divided into:

biological indicators



- Foliage – size, colour, distribution etc.
- Upper crown – extension growth, vigour, fungal fruit bodies etc.

mechanical indicators

- Branches – hazard beams, end loading, subsiding, fibre buckling etc.
- Bole – splits, cracks, ribs, bulges, ‘bottle-butt’, fungi, exudates etc.
- Ground level – soil heave, cracks, compaction, waterlogging etc.

2) mechanical confirmation of suspicion aroused by the observational process, in a logical sequence, starting with non-invasive (sounding hammer) and then semi-invasive if required – e.g. Picus.

## 4. Background

The majority of tree roots, even for a mature tree, are found in the top 60cm of the soil and are vulnerable to sudden changes in the rooting environment. These roots absorb moisture and nutrients needed for growth and contrary to popular belief, mature trees do not have a large deep taproot that obtains moisture from great depth.

Any damage to the rooting environment can upset the balance between the crown and roots established by a tree over many years, and this may be detrimental to the health status or may compromise the stability and structural integrity of the tree. It should be noted that healthy trees will usually withstand a loss of a proportion of their root system.

The storage of materials, plant machinery etc. can cause compaction to the upper soil horizons which may result in damage to feeder roots. These feeder roots absorb oxygen, water & nutrients that are then transported around various parts of the tree to fulfil their part in the growth processes of the tree.

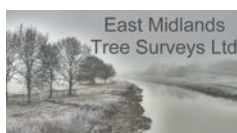
Particular care needs to be addressed in dealing with legally protected species such as nesting birds and roosting bats which are protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) from intentional harm and killing and applies to roosting and hibernating bats and active bird nests. The bird nesting season generally runs from March 1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> August, ideally, any works should be avoided within this period. If the presence of bats is suspected, it is recommended that the Local Bat group is contacted for advice.

## 5. Site Information

The trees are located around the pond at the reserve. The trees on the western frontage are adjacent to the pavement, and to the North are adjacent to private gardens.

## 6. Tree Protection

The Town and Country Planning Act 1990 protects trees within Conservation Areas that are not already subject to TPO protection. Conservation Areas are defined as “areas of special architectural or historic interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance”. Although Conservation Areas are primarily designated due to the built environment, trees also contribute to the character of these





areas. Trees with a diameter in excess of 7.5cm (3 inches) measured 1.5 metres (5 feet) above ground level are protected by law, and 6 weeks' written notice must be given before any tree work, not just felling, is undertaken. For trees being felled to aid the growth of others (i.e. thinning operations), the threshold diameter is 10cm (4 inches).

Within a conservation area there are restrictions to the work that may be carried out on trees. The LPA must be given at least six weeks' notice in writing before works are carried out to most trees within conservation areas. The notice must describe:

- which trees require work
- the nature of the work

Work must not be carried out during that period without permission. (If it is, a heavy fine could be imposed, and replacement planting will generally be required). After six weeks the Council has to make a decision, either negotiate to a favourable position for both parties, approve the works or serve a Tree Preservation Order. Works must be completed within two years of the date of serving the notice.

Notification is not needed if the tree intended to be worked on is:

- less than 7.5 cm (3 inches) in diameter.
- less than 10 cm (4 inches) in diameter if removal is to improve the growth of other trees.
- dead.
- in a commercial orchard or pruning fruit trees in accordance with good horticultural practice.
- directly in the way of development that is about to start, and for which detailed planning permission has been granted.

The diameter is to be measured over the bark of the tree at 1.5m (5ft) above ground level and can be taken to be roughly equal to a third of the girth at that height divided by 3.

Work may also be undertaken without notice:

- to prevent or control a nuisance (in the legal sense, in which case it may be helpful to consult a solicitor).
- to comply with an obligation under an Act of Parliament.
- at the request of certain government departments and other specified organisations.
- For pruning fruit trees for the production of fruit, so long as it is in line with best horticultural practice.

### Tree Preservation Orders (TPO)



These are made by Local Planning Authorities to prohibit the cutting down, uprooting, topping, lopping, wilful damage or destruction of trees without the authority's consent. They can be placed on trees deemed to be of high amenity value within the local landscape, ranging in location from public open spaces to roadsides and private residential gardens.

Once a TPO is made it usually takes immediate effect but can be confirmed or terminated at any time up to six months' time, with or without modifications. Modifications can be a change in description or map details, or a removal of certain trees from the order, but cannot include extra trees to be protected - if the Authority wants to add trees to the order as originally made it is usually necessary to make a new Order. The landowner is still responsible for the trees, their condition and any damage they might cause at all times.

Details of Orders, applications for work and decisions are kept by the local authority and should be available for public inspection. A landowner is also served notice if a new order is made on their land. It is normal, but not required, for other interested parties (for example neighbours, parish councils etc) to be sent copies of new orders too. There is no requirement for applications to do work to protected trees to be advertised, although many authorities choose to do so.

A check of the current status of the trees on site has not been made with the Local Planning Authority and it is advised that this is carried out before any tree works commence on site.

If trees protected by a TPO are cut down, topped, lopped, uprooted or wilfully damaged or destroyed, the owner of the tree(s) and the contractor responsible for the work can both be legally prosecuted. The current maximum fine is £20,000 per tree at the Magistrates Court or unlimited fine at the Crown Court.

Trees that are dead or dangerous are exempt from legislation. It is common good practice to notify the LPA of intention to carry out work to trees that fall into these categories, preferably with some notice (e.g. one working week).

Any works prescriptions for protected trees can be dealt with by way of inclusion into a Planning Application for development purposes; this avoids the need to make a separate tree application.

A leaflet produced by the DCLG (Protected Trees), covers the issues raised by this legislation and can be found on <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/tree-preservation-orders-and-trees-in-conservation-areas>

Statutory wildlife obligations: The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 as amended by the Countryside and The Habitat Regulations 2012 provide statutory protection to birds, bats and other species that inhabit trees. All tree work operations are covered by these provisions and advice from an ecologist should be obtained before undertaking any works that might constitute an offence.



## 7. Aspirations of the survey

The aim of this survey is to determine the current health and condition of the trees and to thereafter, identify and highlight hazardous defects and assess potential risks in relation to the owner's Duty of Care.

## 8. Duty of care relating to trees

In broad terms, a tree owner, and/or whoever has control over it (the duty holder), has a duty of care in both civil and criminal law to take reasonable management measures to avoid foreseeable injury or harm. Duty holders are expected to consider the risks posed by their trees and manage those risks in a reasonable and proportionate way.

There is well established case law upholding the principle that the standard of the duty of care varies according to the resources available to the duty holder, i.e. a large land owner such as an estate or a highway authority would be expected to apply a higher standard of management than smaller landowners such as residential householders.

In short, the law expects duty holders to act in a practical and sensible way, according to the size of their properties.

However, in the event that a duty holder is found neglectful of their duty of care in terms of checking, i.e. they did not have their trees checked where a significant potential for harm existed, it does not automatically follow that they will be liable for any harm that arises.

Liability will only flow from that negligence if it can be established that a competent check would have identified an unacceptable risk of harm and resulted in remedial works that would have prevented that harm occurring. If a defect that resulted in failure would not have been found in a competent check, then, irrespective of any negligence from not carrying out a check, the duty holder is unlikely to be held liable for the consequences of the failure.

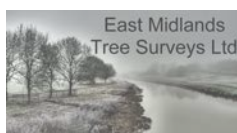
This duty of care is something that applies to those invited and those uninvited (trespass scenario).

## 9. Negligence, Liability and Acts of God

More specifically, negligence, liability and Acts of God are commonly used terms when discussing duty of care and how blame will be apportioned in the event of harm arising.

Although they are the subject of detailed legal definitions, their everyday meaning during normal use is more helpful. Negligence occurs when someone fails to do something that a reasonable person would have done. Liability is where the responsibility lies when something happens, i.e. who is to blame, with an implication that this is where compensation may be due for any harm that arises. An Act of God means an event that is beyond human control, i.e. there were no obvious indications that it was going to happen before the event.

Case histories suggest that act of God is only a means of defence if the tree(s) have been inspected by a competently trained person and any advice acted upon.



**Any trees that EMTS are unable to assess due to vegetation or access will not be risk scored therefore liability for the trees will remain with the landowner until the trees are cleared, reinspected and EMTS is able to revisit and assess.**

## 10. Criteria for Risk Assessment

The Risk Assessment system used is based on the *Tree Hazard: Risk Evaluation and Treatment System* (THREATS) and has been used to record the facts of the inspection as per: -

- Lists any observed defects
- Assessment of the three components of tree risk (defect, target and impact – after Matheny & Clark (1994)<sup>1</sup>)
- The system contains an algorithm that provides for a relatively subtle interaction between these three components
- Arrives at a conclusion which was in tune with what can be termed ‘unassisted arboricultural decision making’ (aka gut instinct)
- Establishes a defensible hierarchy of response that includes delayed intervention and phased re-inspection.

Score range	Threat category	recommended action and completion deadline				
4000 +	7 - Extreme	Evacuate/prevent access to impact site, emergency call-out of contractors				
2001-3999	6 - Serious	Close site if practical; arrange for work to be completed within 7 days				
1000-2000	5 - Significant	Arrange for work to be completed within four weeks maximum				
330-999	4- Moderate	Remediate within 13 weeks, reinspect after SWE meantime (inc. gales to Force 7+)				
160-329	3- Slight	Reinspect annually /after storms (Force 10+), expect to schedule work within 2 yrs				
50-159	2- Minimal	Reinspect within 3 yrs if public access, schedule work as required				
0-49	1- Insignificant	Reinspect within 5 yrs if general public access or 3 yrs if child-specific access & TS ≥20				

## 11. Findings

Appendix 1 lists the trees surveyed along with site observations recorded at the time of inspection.

The majority of trees inspected had no significant defects.

All required works are highlighted in yellow (predominantly ivy severing).

The site plan can be found at Appendix 2.

## 12. Recommendations

Carry out the works identified at Appendix 1 within the time frames noted.

It is advised that the immediate young roadside trees/hedges are all brought back into management before they attain tree height. These could thereafter be more easily and efficiently maintained.



Those trees without a risk score will need to be cleared and EMTS will then return to site to assess.

Following a recent court case (*WITLEY PARISH COUNCIL V CAVANAGH (2018)*) ruling whereby an individual was left with life changing injuries, a judge determined that trees should be inspected every 18 months.

It is recommended therefore that the most pragmatic and cost-effective solution is that a survey is carried out across the whole site every 18 months to pick up seasonal variances between Summer and Autumn/Winter.

With this in mind, it is suggested that a full survey is carried out again in Autumn of 2025.

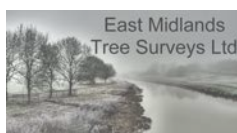
Additional to this, trees should also be inspected following significant storm events.



**John Wilcockson – Director, East Midlands Tree Surveys LTD.**

**Tech Cert (Arbor A), NDF For**

31/05/2024



# Appendix 1 - Tree Survey Data

## Tree Survey Report

Client: Holbeach Parish Council

Site: Fishpond Lane Nature Reserve

Condition	No. trees
Fair	11
Good	9
Total	20



Ref.	Species	Target	Measurements	Survey Notes	Condition	Threat Category	Inspection period months	Recommendations
G1	Mixed species (Mixed species)	Building Footpath Road	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Self set Bird Cherry, Ash, Hawthorn, Birch, Sycamore understorey Trunk - Ivy/climber Would suggest the group is reduced and maintained at 2m due to presence of tree species and potential for future growth	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
G2	Mixed species (Mixed species)	Building Garden Footpath Road	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Understorey of self set Ash, Birch, Elder and Hawthorn along with Poplar on pond edge. Trunk - Ivy/climber	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
G3	Mixed species (Mixed species)	Building Garden Riverside tree	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	3 x Birch Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Trunk - Ivy/climber	Fair		6	Actionable defects: Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Clear round base to allow for reinspection. Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
NT1	Grey poplar (Populus x canescens)	Building Garden Riverside tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - major deadwood >100mm Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Trunk - Ivy/climber	Fair		6	Actionable defects: Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Clear round base to allow for reinspection. Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
NT2	Willow (Salix sp.)	Building Garden Riverside tree	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Ivy/climber Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation.	Good		6	Actionable defects: Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Clear round base to allow for reinspection. Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
NT3	Willow (Salix sp.)	Building Garden Riverside tree	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Ivy/climber Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation.	Good		6	Actionable defects: Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Clear round base to allow for reinspection. Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)

Ref.	Species	Target	Measurements	Survey Notes	Condition	Threat Category	Inspection period months	Recommendations
NT4	Willow ( <i>Salix sp.</i> )	Building Garden Riverside tree	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Ivy/climber Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation.	Good		6	Actionable defects: Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Clear round base to allow for reinspection. Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
NT5	Birch ( <i>Betula sp.</i> )	Building Garden Riverside tree	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Ivy/climber Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation.	Good		6	Actionable defects: Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Clear round base to allow for reinspection. Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T772	Ash ( <i>Fraxinus sp.</i> )	Open space Footpath Road	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - low branches Trunk - Ivy/climber	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T773	Grey poplar ( <i>Populus x canescens</i> )	Open space Footpath Road	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - major deadwood >100mm Trunk - leaning towards the pond Trunk - Codominant stems at 6m Trunk - Ivy/climber	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T774	Grey poplar ( <i>Populus x canescens</i> )	Open space Footpath Road	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - major deadwood >100mm Trunk - leaning towards the pond at 45 degrees	Good	3: Slight	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T775	Oak ( <i>Quercus sp.</i> )	Open space Footpath Road	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - Codominant stems at 5m Crown - major deadwood >100mm Trunk - Ivy/climber	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T776	Birch ( <i>Betula sp.</i> )	Open space Footpath Road Building	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - Codominant stems at 10m, Southern trunk has been removed at this point. Trunk - Ivy/climber	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T986	Swedish whitebeam ( <i>Sorbus intermedia</i> )	Drive Garden Footpath Road	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 0.5m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T987	Birch ( <i>Betula sp.</i> )	Drive Garden Footpath Road	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - Ivy/climber Failed historically at 5m Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T988	Birch ( <i>Betula sp.</i> )	Footpath Road	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - Ivy/climber Main trunk has failed historically at 5m	Fair	3: Slight	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)

Ref.	Species	Target	Measurements	Survey Notes	Condition	Threat Category	Inspection period months	Recommendations
T989	Rowan ( <i>Sorbus aucuparia</i> )	Road Drive Building	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - Ivy/climber Topped at 5m	Fair	3: Slight	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T990	Grey poplar ( <i>Populus x canescens</i> )	Road Drive Building Riverside tree Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Historically part pollarded Trunk - Ivy/climber	Fair	3: Slight	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T991	Grey poplar ( <i>Populus x canescens</i> )	Road Riverside tree Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - Ivy/climber Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Fair	3: Slight	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T992	Horse chestnut ( <i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i> )	Road Riverside tree Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m  Pests and Diseases: Horse Chestnut Leaf Blotch ( <i>Guignardia aesculi</i> ) Horse Chestnut Leaf Miner ( <i>Cameraria ohridella</i> )	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.



Appendix 2 - Site Plan

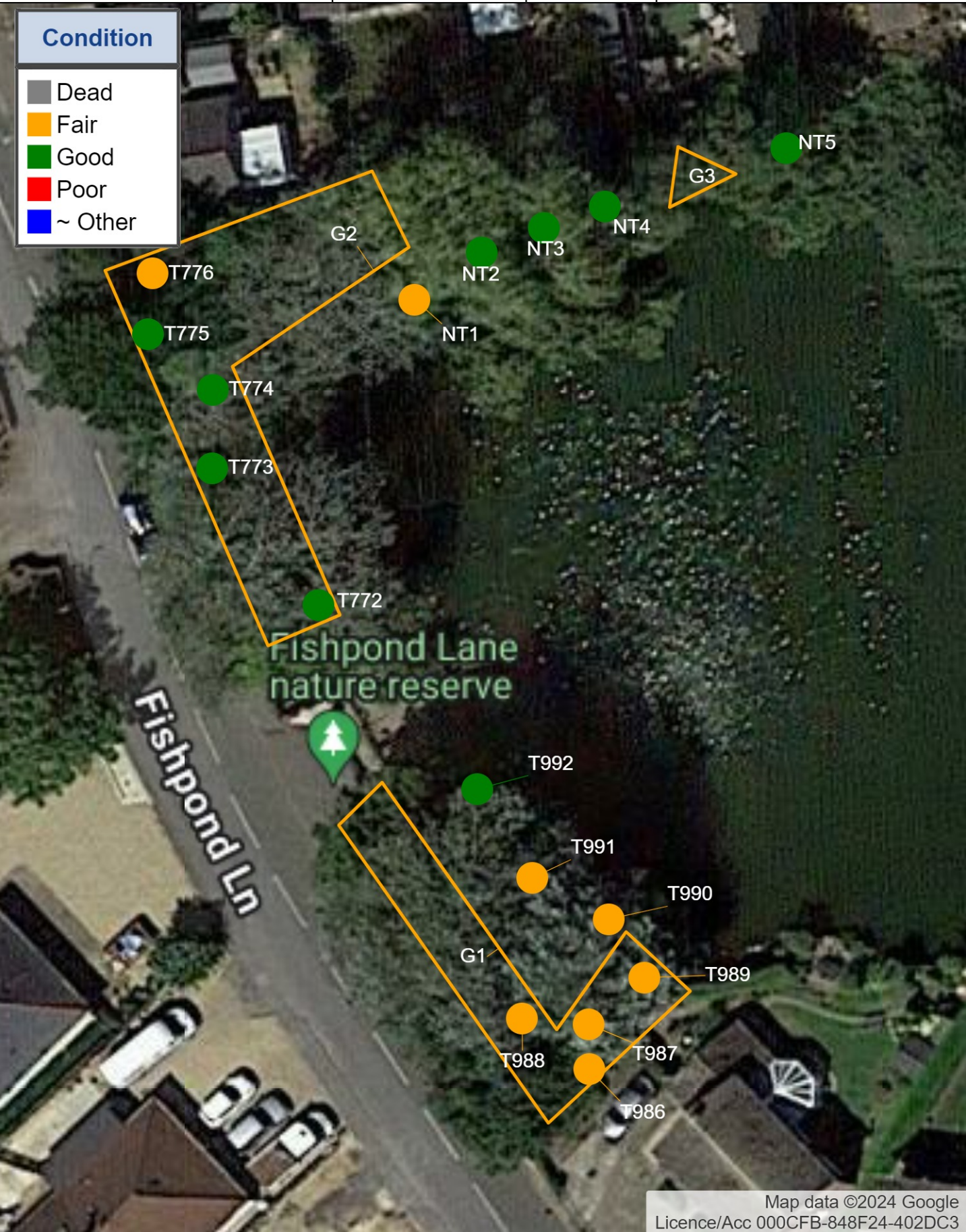
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# Health and Safety Report in relation to trees at Carter's Park, Holbeach.

**Prepared by: East Midlands Tree Surveys Ltd.**

**Date: 31/05/2024**

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## 1. Introduction/personal professional statement

East Midlands Tree Surveys LTD was incorporated in 2021, with John Wilcockson serving as the principal Arboricultural Consultant and co-Company Director. Before this, John operated as a Sole Trader Arb Consultant starting in 2014. Earlier in his career, he worked as a Tree Officer for both the Sleaford and Peterborough Local Planning Authorities. During the early years of his consultancy, he also worked part-time with the tree team at Peterborough Limited (Aragon), handling inquiries and conducting surveys of the City Council's street trees.

John holds the Arboricultural Association's Technician's Certificate and the LANTRA Professional Tree Inspection Certificate. He is also a fully qualified and time-served Forester, having dedicated 25 years to the Forestry Commission.

## 2. Instructions

This report was commissioned by Holbeach Parish Council on behalf of Carter's Park, Holbeach. The objectives of this report are as follows:

- To make an assessment of the trees' condition and identify any faults.
- To provide management recommendations based on the data gathered.

## 3. Report Limitations

Trees are living organisms whose health and condition can change rapidly. The health, condition and safety of the trees therefore should be checked on a regular basis, preferably once a year; this is the responsibility of the tree owner. The conclusions and recommendations in this report are only valid in line with the recommendations provided commencing from the date of the survey. The period of validity may be reduced in the case of any change in condition or to proximity to the tree. Only those features that are apparent at the time of inspection could be assessed.

Although every effort has been made to detect defects within the trees inspected, no guarantee can be given as to the absolute safety or otherwise of any individual tree.

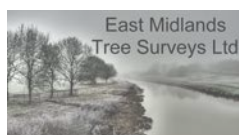
No soil samples were taken in preparation of this report and therefore no comments have been made in relation to any soil conditions.

An assessment was made of the trees' condition visually from ground level using Mattheck's Visual Tree Assessment methodology. No climbed inspection or detailed investigation of decay was made; however, this was not considered necessary as enough information was gained about the trees from a ground level inspection. If any faults or potential failings were identified on the tree these have been picked up in the tree survey notes. It should be noted that trees can change significantly over a relatively short period of time, and therefore trees should be monitored on a regular basis for sign of deterioration.

The following assessment procedure was carried out: -

1) observational assessment of the tree in a logical sequence, sub-divided into:

biological indicators



- Foliage – size, colour, distribution etc.
- Upper crown – extension growth, vigour, fungal fruit bodies etc.

mechanical indicators

- Branches – hazard beams, end loading, subsiding, fibre buckling etc.
- Bole – splits, cracks, ribs, bulges, ‘bottle-butt’, fungi, exudates etc.
- Ground level – soil heave, cracks, compaction, waterlogging etc.

2) mechanical confirmation of suspicion aroused by the observational process, in a logical sequence, starting with non-invasive (sounding hammer) and then semi-invasive if required – e.g. Picus.

## 4. Background

The majority of tree roots, even for a mature tree, are found in the top 60cm of the soil and are vulnerable to sudden changes in the rooting environment. These roots absorb moisture and nutrients needed for growth and contrary to popular belief, mature trees do not have a large deep taproot that obtains moisture from great depth.

Any damage to the rooting environment can upset the balance between the crown and roots established by a tree over many years, and this may be detrimental to the health status or may compromise the stability and structural integrity of the tree. It should be noted that healthy trees will usually withstand a loss of a proportion of their root system.

The storage of materials, plant machinery etc. can cause compaction to the upper soil horizons which may result in damage to feeder roots. These feeder roots absorb oxygen, water & nutrients that are then transported around various parts of the tree to fulfil their part in the growth processes of the tree.

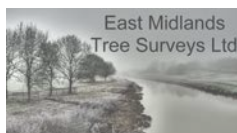
Particular care needs to be addressed in dealing with legally protected species such as nesting birds and roosting bats which are protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) from intentional harm and killing and applies to roosting and hibernating bats and active bird nests. The bird nesting season generally runs from March 1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> August, ideally, any works should be avoided within this period. If the presence of bats is suspected, it is recommended that the Local Bat group is contacted for advice.

## 5. Site Information

The trees are located within the park grounds, including the bowling green and dog walk area and are a mix of individual broadleaf trees and small groups.

## 6. Tree Protection

The Town and Country Planning Act 1990 protects trees within Conservation Areas that are not already subject to TPO protection. Conservation Areas are defined as “areas of special architectural or historic interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance”. Although Conservation Areas are primarily designated due to the built environment, trees also contribute to the character of these



areas. Trees with a diameter in excess of 7.5cm (3 inches) measured 1.5 metres (5 feet) above ground level are protected by law, and 6 weeks' written notice must be given before any tree work, not just felling, is undertaken. For trees being felled to aid the growth of others (i.e. thinning operations), the threshold diameter is 10cm (4 inches).

Within a conservation area there are restrictions to the work that may be carried out on trees. The LPA must be given at least six weeks' notice in writing before works are carried out to most trees within conservation areas. The notice must describe:

- which trees require work
- the nature of the work

Work must not be carried out during that period without permission. (If it is, a heavy fine could be imposed, and replacement planting will generally be required). After six weeks the Council has to make a decision, either negotiate to a favourable position for both parties, approve the works or serve a Tree Preservation Order. Works must be completed within two years of the date of serving the notice.

Notification is not needed if the tree intended to be worked on is:

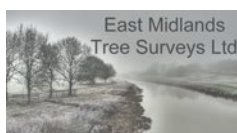
- less than 7.5 cm (3 inches) in diameter.
- less than 10 cm (4 inches) in diameter if removal is to improve the growth of other trees.
- dead.
- in a commercial orchard or pruning fruit trees in accordance with good horticultural practice.
- directly in the way of development that is about to start, and for which detailed planning permission has been granted.

The diameter is to be measured over the bark of the tree at 1.5m (5ft) above ground level and can be taken to be roughly equal to a third of the girth at that height divided by 3.

Work may also be undertaken without notice:

- to prevent or control a nuisance (in the legal sense, in which case it may be helpful to consult a solicitor).
- to comply with an obligation under an Act of Parliament.
- at the request of certain government departments and other specified organisations.
- For pruning fruit trees for the production of fruit, so long as it is in line with best horticultural practice.

### Tree Preservation Orders (TPO)



These are made by Local Planning Authorities to prohibit the cutting down, uprooting, topping, lopping, wilful damage or destruction of trees without the authority's consent. They can be placed on trees deemed to be of high amenity value within the local landscape, ranging in location from public open spaces to roadsides and private residential gardens.

Once a TPO is made it usually takes immediate effect but can be confirmed or terminated at any time up to six months' time, with or without modifications. Modifications can be a change in description or map details, or a removal of certain trees from the order, but cannot include extra trees to be protected - if the Authority wants to add trees to the order as originally made it is usually necessary to make a new Order. The landowner is still responsible for the trees, their condition and any damage they might cause at all times.

Details of Orders, applications for work and decisions are kept by the local authority and should be available for public inspection. A landowner is also served notice if a new order is made on their land. It is normal, but not required, for other interested parties (for example neighbours, parish councils etc) to be sent copies of new orders too. There is no requirement for applications to do work to protected trees to be advertised, although many authorities choose to do so.

A check of the current status of the trees on site has not been made with the Local Planning Authority and it is advised that this is carried out before any tree works commence on site.

If trees protected by a TPO are cut down, topped, lopped, uprooted or wilfully damaged or destroyed, the owner of the tree(s) and the contractor responsible for the work can both be legally prosecuted. The current maximum fine is £20,000 per tree at the Magistrates Court or unlimited fine at the Crown Court.

Trees that are dead or dangerous are exempt from legislation. It is common good practice to notify the LPA of intention to carry out work to trees that fall into these categories, preferably with some notice (e.g. one working week).

Any works prescriptions for protected trees can be dealt with by way of inclusion into a Planning Application for development purposes; this avoids the need to make a separate tree application.

A leaflet produced by the DCLG (Protected Trees), covers the issues raised by this legislation and can be found on <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/tree-preservation-orders-and-trees-in-conservation-areas>

Statutory wildlife obligations: The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 as amended by the Countryside and The Habitat Regulations 2012 provide statutory protection to birds, bats and other species that inhabit trees. All tree work operations are covered by these provisions and advice from an ecologist should be obtained before undertaking any works that might constitute an offence.



## 7. Aspirations of the survey

The aim of this survey is to determine the current health and condition of the trees and to thereafter, identify and highlight hazardous defects and assess potential risks in relation to the owner's Duty of Care.

## 8. Duty of care relating to trees

In broad terms, a tree owner, and/or whoever has control over it (the duty holder), has a duty of care in both civil and criminal law to take reasonable management measures to avoid foreseeable injury or harm. Duty holders are expected to consider the risks posed by their trees and manage those risks in a reasonable and proportionate way.

There is well established case law upholding the principle that the standard of the duty of care varies according to the resources available to the duty holder, i.e. a large land owner such as an estate or a highway authority would be expected to apply a higher standard of management than smaller landowners such as residential householders.

In short, the law expects duty holders to act in a practical and sensible way, according to the size of their properties.

However, in the event that a duty holder is found neglectful of their duty of care in terms of checking, i.e. they did not have their trees checked where a significant potential for harm existed, it does not automatically follow that they will be liable for any harm that arises.

Liability will only flow from that negligence if it can be established that a competent check would have identified an unacceptable risk of harm and resulted in remedial works that would have prevented that harm occurring. If a defect that resulted in failure would not have been found in a competent check, then, irrespective of any negligence from not carrying out a check, the duty holder is unlikely to be held liable for the consequences of the failure.

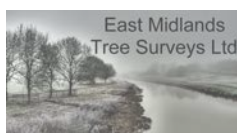
This duty of care is something that applies to those invited and those uninvited (trespass scenario).

## 9. Negligence, Liability and Acts of God

More specifically, negligence, liability and Acts of God are commonly used terms when discussing duty of care and how blame will be apportioned in the event of harm arising.

Although they are the subject of detailed legal definitions, their everyday meaning during normal use is more helpful. Negligence occurs when someone fails to do something that a reasonable person would have done. Liability is where the responsibility lies when something happens, i.e. who is to blame, with an implication that this is where compensation may be due for any harm that arises. An Act of God means an event that is beyond human control, i.e. there were no obvious indications that it was going to happen before the event.

Case histories suggest that act of God is only a means of defence if the tree(s) have been inspected by a competently trained person and any advice acted upon.





**Any trees that EMTS are unable to assess due to vegetation or access will not be risk scored therefore liability for the trees will remain with the landowner until the trees are cleared, reinspected and EMTS is able to revisit and assess.**

## 10. Criteria for Risk Assessment

The Risk Assessment system used is based on the *Tree Hazard: Risk Evaluation and Treatment System* (THREATS) and has been used to record the facts of the inspection as per: -

- Lists any observed defects
- Assessment of the three components of tree risk (defect, target and impact – after Matheny & Clark (1994)<sup>1</sup>)
- The system contains an algorithm that provides for a relatively subtle interaction between these three components
- Arrives at a conclusion which was in tune with what can be termed ‘unassisted arboricultural decision making’ (aka gut instinct)
- Establishes a defensible hierarchy of response that includes delayed intervention and phased re-inspection.

Score range	Threat category	recommended action and completion deadline				
4000 +	7 - Extreme	Evacuate/prevent access to impact site, emergency call-out of contractors				
2001-3999	6 - Serious	Close site if practical; arrange for work to be completed within 7 days				
1000-2000	5 - Significant	Arrange for work to be completed within four weeks maximum				
330-999	4 - Moderate	Remediate within 13 weeks, reinspect after SWE meantime (inc. gales to Force 7+)				
160-329	3 - Slight	Reinspect annually /after storms (Force 10+), expect to schedule work within 2 yrs				
50-159	2- Minimal	Reinspect within 3 yrs if public access, schedule work as required				
0-49	1- Insignificant	Reinspect within 5 yrs if general public access or 3 yrs if child-specific access & TS ≥20				

## 11. Findings

Appendix 1 lists the trees surveyed along with site observations recorded at the time of inspection.

The majority of trees inspected had no significant defects aside from T838 Lime.

All required works are highlighted in yellow.

The site plan can be found at Appendix 2.

## 12. Recommendations

Carry out the works identified at Appendix 1 within the time frames noted.

It is recommended that the Limes along the road frontage have their lower crowns cleaned out, there is a lot of detritus build up which can hide defects but also is not healthy for the trees and can result in branch/ limb deaths.

Ideally, I would advise that the PC set up a program in order to remove the Cypress trees which are non-native and restricting the growth of the Limes.



Once the Cypress have been removed, the Limes will make a fantastic landscape feature.

Following a recent court case (*WITLEY PARISH COUNCIL V CAVANAGH (2018)*) ruling whereby an individual was left with life changing injuries, a judge determined that trees should be inspected every 18 months.

It is recommended therefore that the most pragmatic and cost-effective solution is that a survey is carried out across the whole site every 18 months to pick up seasonal variances between Summer and Autumn/Winter.

With this in mind, it is suggested that a full survey is carried out again in Autumn of 2025.

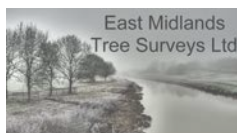
Additional to this, trees should also be inspected following significant storm events.



**John Wilcockson – Director, East Midlands Tree Surveys LTD.**

**Tech Cert (Arbor A), NDF For**

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Tree Survey Report

Client: Holbeach Parish Council  
Site: Carter's Park

Condition	No. trees
Fair	1
Good	122
Poor	2
Total	125

Appendix 1 - Tree Survey Data



Ref.	Species	Target	Measurements	Survey Notes	Condition	Threat Category	Inspection period months	Recommendations
G1	Mixed Species	Footpath Parkland tree	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Holly, 1 Silver Maple - old tear out wound 3m NE, 1 suppressed small Yew, multi stemmed Cypress, old pruning wounds, some have had central areas pruned out, 1 Norway Maple with surface bark wound.	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G2	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Open space Garden Car park Footpath Parkland tree	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	3 x Cypress, 1 Yew Trunk - Codominant stems Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - tearout wound at 3m on SE tree	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G3	Laurel ( <i>Laurus sp.</i> )	Building Footpath Parkland tree	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	7 Laurel Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G4	Laurel ( <i>Laurus sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Bowling green	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	3 x Laurel Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - surface bark wound Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	3: Slight	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G5	Laurel ( <i>Laurus sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Bowling green	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	3 x Laurel Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - surface bark wound Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	3: Slight	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G6	Birch ( <i>Betula sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T776	Copper beech ( <i>Fagus sylvatica purpurea</i> )	Parkland tree Bowling green Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 4m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - major deadwood >100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T777	Beech ( <i>Fagus sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Bowling green Footpath Building	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 4m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - major deadwood >100mm Cavity at 4m south on ascending trunk, part occluded	Good	3: Slight	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T778	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Bowling green Footpath Building	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Crown - low branches Trunk - epicormics/suckers	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Crown - low branches Trunk - epicormics/suckers Control Measures: Crown clean Buildings clearance 2m Epicormic removal Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T779	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Tennis court Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - multi stemmed at 1m with 1 stem removed historically	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T780	Cotoneaster ( <i>Cotoneaster sp.</i> )	Tennis court Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.



Ref.	Species	Target	Measurements	Survey Notes	Condition	Threat Category	Inspection period months	Recommendations
T781	Purple norway maple ( <i>Acer platanoides</i> 'Crimson King')	Tennis court Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m No significant defects Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T782	Crab apple ( <i>Malus sylvestris</i> )	Tennis court Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm  Fungus: Laetiporus sulphureus (Chicken of the Woods)	Good	3: Slight	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T783	Sycamore ( <i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at ground level with significant included union, consider removing as unsustainable long term	Good	3: Slight	18	Actionable defects: No significant defects/no work required Control Measures: No work required Consider removing as unsustainable long term Timescale: No Action
T784	Horse chestnut ( <i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i> )	Footpath Road Dog walk area Tree adjacent to playfield	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Disease - bleeding canker Pests and Diseases: Horse Chestnut Leaf Blotch (Guignardia aesculi) Horse Chestnut Leaf Miner (Cameraria ohridella)	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T785	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Dog walk area Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 4m, historic pollard point Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T787	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Dog walk area Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 4m historic pollard point Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T788	Corsican pine ( <i>Pinus nigra laricio</i> )	Tree adjacent to playing field Dog walk area	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - major deadwood >100mm Trunk - Ivy/climber	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T789	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Dog walk area Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 4m, historic pollard point Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T790	Corsican pine ( <i>Pinus nigra laricio</i> )	Tree adjacent to playing field Dog walk area	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - major deadwood >100mm Trunk - Ivy/climber	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)

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T791	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Dog walk area Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 4m historic pollard point Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - Ivy/climber Trunk - epicormics/suckers	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - Ivy/climber Trunk - epicormics/suckers Control Measures: Crown clean Sever ivy Epicormic removal Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T792	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Dog walk area Car park	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 4m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T793	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Dog walk area	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 4m Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T801	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m historic pollard point Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T802	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m historic pollard point Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T803	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - multi stemmed at 3m historic pollard point Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T804	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m, historic pollard point Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T805	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - multi stemmed at 1.6m Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T806	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m historic pollard point Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - low branches over toilet block Trunk - epicormics/suckers	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Crown - low branches Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Buildings clearance by 2m Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)



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T807	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m historic pollard point Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T808	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - multi stemmed at 2m Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T809	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m, historic pollard point Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T810	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - multi stemmed at 1.5m Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T811	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m historic pollard point Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T812	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - Codominant stems at 1.2m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T813	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m historic pollard point Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T814	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T815	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m, historic pollard point Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T816	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.

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T817	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m historic pollard point Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - surface bark wound at 0.2m South East, part occluded	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T818	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - multi stemmed at 3m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T819	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m, historic pollard point Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T820	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - multi stemmed at 4m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T821	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m, historic pollard point Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T822	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m, historic pollard point Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T823	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - multi stemmed at 3m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T824	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m historic pollard point Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - Ivy/climber	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)



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T825	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m historic pollard point Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T826	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - multi stemmed at 3m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T827	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m, historic pollard point Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T828	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T829	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m, historic pollard point Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - epicormics/suckers	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - epicormics/suckers Control Measures: Crown clean Epicormic removal Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T830	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Road Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - congested Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - multi stemmed at 3m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T831	Cherry ( <i>Prunus sp. 'Cherry'</i> )	Building Footpath Parkland tree	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
NT1a	Dawn redwood ( <i>Metasequoia glyptostroboides</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree	Life Stage: Young Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T832	Indian bean tree ( <i>Catalpa bignonioides</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - codominant stems at 1m Trunk - surface bark wound Roots - surface root damage	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T833	Birch ( <i>Betula sp.</i> )	Building Footpath Parkland tree	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Trunk - Codominant stems at 4m Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Part occluded cavity 4m south west	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T834	Cherry plum ( <i>Prunus cerasifera</i> )	Garden Footpath Parkland tree	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Trunk - epicormics/suckers	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T835	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Car park	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - cavity at 3m North part occluded	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.



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T836	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Car park	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T837	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Car park	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - multi stemmed at 0.5m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T838	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Car park Tree adjacent to playground	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 1.5m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs  Fungus: Polyporous squamosus at 5m east	Good	4: Moderate	18	Actionable defects: Polyporous squamosous Control Measures: Pollard at 6m or carry out resistograph Timescale: 27-May-2024 (Urgent)
T839	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Car park Tree adjacent to playground	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - multi stemmed at 1.5m Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Historically topped	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T840	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Car park	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T841	Weeping ash ( <i>Fraxinus excelsior 'Pendula'</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playground	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T842	Norway maple ( <i>Acer platanoides</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playground	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 20+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m Topped at 7m with reaction growth Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs  Fungus: Heavily infected with Polyporous squamosus and Ganoderma	Poor	4: Moderate	18	Actionable defects: Fungal pathogens Control Measures: Maintain at current height ie. remove fresh growth Timescale: 27-May-2027 (3 Years)
T843	Horse chestnut ( <i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playground	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - surface bark wound, part occluded	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T844	Norway maple ( <i>Acer platanoides</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playground	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Damage to path Crown - tearout wound at 5m West, part occluded Roots - surface root damage	Good	3: Slight	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T845	Birch ( <i>Betula sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playground	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T846	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Car park Tree adjacent to playground	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - multi stemmed at 3m Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Historically topped Approximately 75 % dead crown	Poor	3: Slight	18	Actionable defects: No significant defects/no work required Control Measures: No work required Consider removing due to dead crown Timescale: No Action
T847	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Car park	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - multi stemmed at 3m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T848	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Car park Tree adjacent to playground	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - multi stemmed at 2m Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Historically topped	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T849	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Car park Tree adjacent to playground	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - multi stemmed at 2m Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Historically topped	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.

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T850	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Car park	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T851	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Car park Tree adjacent to playground	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - multi stemmed at 2m Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Historically topped	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T852	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Car park	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T853	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Car park Tree adjacent to playground	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - multi stemmed at 1.5m m Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Historically topped	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T854	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Footpath Parkland tree Car park	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T855	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Car park Tree adjacent to playground	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - epicormics/suckers	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T856	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Car park Tree adjacent to playground	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - epicormics/suckers Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Trunk - Ivy/climber	Good		6	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Clear round base to allow for reinspection. Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T857	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Car park	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - epicormics/suckers	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T858	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Car park	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - epicormics/suckers	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T859	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Car park	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - epicormics/suckers	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)



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T860	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Garden	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Crown - major deadwood >100mm Trunk - epicormics/suckers	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - epicormics/suckers Control Measures: Crown clean Epicormic removal Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T861	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Garden	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - epicormics/suckers Hollow	Good	3: Slight	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T862	Corsican pine ( <i>Pinus nigra laricio</i> )	Parkland tree Garden	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T863	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - epicormics/suckers	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T864	Beech ( <i>Fagus sp.</i> )	Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T865	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - congested	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - congested Control Measures: Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T866	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 4m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - part occluded cavity at 2m South Trunk - epicormics/suckers	Good	3: Slight	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Control Measures: Epicormic removal Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T867	Beech ( <i>Fagus sp.</i> )	Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T868	Beech ( <i>Fagus sp.</i> )	Parkland tree	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T869	Horse chestnut ( <i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i> )	Parkland tree	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 1.6m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Disease - bleeding canker Trunk - surface bark wound Pests and Diseases: Horse Chestnut Leaf Blotch ( <i>Guignardia aesculi</i> ) Horse Chestnut Leaf Miner ( <i>Cameraria ohridella</i> )	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.

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T870	Horse chestnut ( <i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i> )	Parkland tree	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Disease - bleeding canker Trunk - surface bark wound Pests and Diseases: Horse Chestnut Leaf Blotch (Guignardia aesculi) Horse Chestnut Leaf Miner (Cameraria ohridella)	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T871	Horse chestnut ( <i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i> )	Parkland tree	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 1.6m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Disease - bleeding canker Pests and Diseases: Horse Chestnut Leaf Blotch (Guignardia aesculi) Horse Chestnut Leaf Miner (Cameraria ohridella)	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T872	Corsican pine ( <i>Pinus nigra laricio</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Ivy/climber Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk -heavy Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T873	Corsican pine ( <i>Pinus nigra laricio</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T874	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems Historic tear out wound from ground level to 4m with extensive decay and Ganoderma bracket	Good	4: Moderate	18	Actionable defects: Decay and pathogen, will need to be pollarded every 3 years Control Measures: Ongoing maintenance Timescale: 3 yearly
T875	Horse chestnut ( <i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Disease - bleeding canker Trunk - surface bark wound Trunk - Ivy/climber Trunk - epicormics/suckers Pests and Diseases: Horse Chestnut Leaf Blotch (Guignardia aesculi) Horse Chestnut Leaf Miner (Cameraria ohridella)	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Trunk - epicormics/suckers Control Measures: Sever ivy Epicormic removal Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T876	Corsican pine ( <i>Pinus nigra laricio</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T877	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - epicormics/suckers Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation.	Good		6	Actionable defects: Trunk - epicormics/suckers Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Control Measures: Epicormic removal Crown clean Clear round base to allow for reinspection. Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
NT1	Ash ( <i>Fraxinus sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Trunk - Ivy/climber	Good		6	Actionable defects: Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Clear round base to allow for reinspection. Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)



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T878	Corsican pine ( <i>Pinus nigra laricio</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T879	Horse chestnut ( <i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - surface bark wound Pests and Diseases: Horse Chestnut Leaf Blotch (Guignardia aesculi) Horse Chestnut Leaf Miner (Cameraria ohridella)	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T880	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - Ivy/climber	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Crown clean Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T881	Corsican pine ( <i>Pinus nigra laricio</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - Ivy/climber Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation.	Good		6	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Control Measures: Sever ivy Clear round base to allow for reinspection. Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T882	Corsican pine ( <i>Pinus nigra laricio</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - Ivy/climber Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation.	Good		6	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Control Measures: Sever ivy Clear round base to allow for reinspection. Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
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T884	Corsican pine ( <i>Pinus nigra laricio</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Part decayed cavity at 1m following removal of significant limb Trunk - Codominant stems at 6m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T885	Corsican pine ( <i>Pinus nigra laricio</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs at 2m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T886	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Crown clean Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T887	Corsican pine ( <i>Pinus nigra laricio</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T888	Corsican pine ( <i>Pinus nigra laricio</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.

Ref.	Species	Target	Measurements	Survey Notes	Condition	Threat Category	Inspection period months	Recommendations
T889	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - epicormics/suckers	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - epicormics/suckers Control Measures: Crown clean Epicormic removal Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T890	Corsican pine ( <i>Pinus nigra laricio</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - Ivy/climber Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation.	Good		6	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Control Measures: Sever ivy Clear round base to allow for reinspection. Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T891	Corsican pine ( <i>Pinus nigra laricio</i> )	Parkland tree Tree adjacent to playing field	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - Ivy/climber Crown - major deadwood >100mm Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation.	Good		6	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Control Measures: Sever ivy Clear round base to allow for reinspection. Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T892	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Bowling green Building Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m, historic pollard point Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Crown clean Buildings clearance 2m Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T893	Norway maple ( <i>Acer platanoides</i> )	Parkland tree Bowling green Building	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T894	Norway maple ( <i>Acer platanoides</i> )	Parkland tree Bowling green Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 4m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T895	Hawthorn ( <i>Crataegus sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Bowling green Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 1m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - congested	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T896	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Bowling green Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m, previous pollard point Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - old pruning wounds/stubs Crown - congested	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Crown clean Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T897	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Bowling green Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m, historic pollard point Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - epicormics/suckers	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Control Measures: Crown clean Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T898	Laurel ( <i>Laurus sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Bowling green Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - Ivy/climber	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)

Ref.	Species	Target	Measurements	Survey Notes	Condition	Threat Category	Inspection period months	Recommendations
T899	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Bowling green Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - Ivy/climber Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation.	Good		6	Actionable defects: Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - congested Trunk - Ivy/climber Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Control Measures: Crown clean Clear round base to allow for reinspection. Sever ivy Timescale: 28-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T900	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Parkland tree Bowling green Footpath	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - suppressed	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.

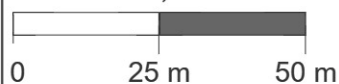


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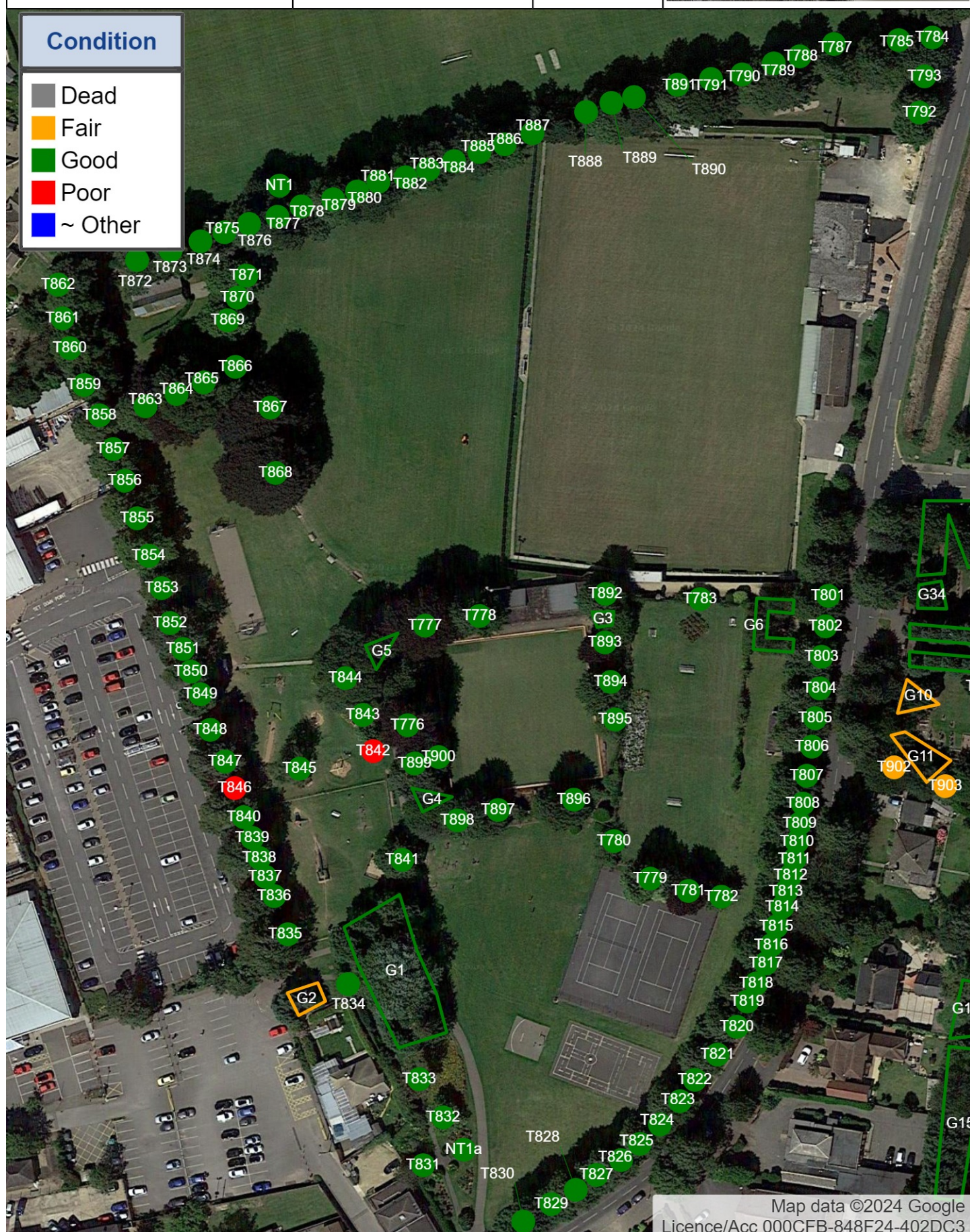
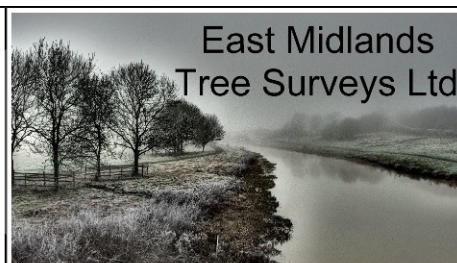
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The figure is an aerial photograph of Carter's Park, overlaid with a tree survey map. The map shows various trees labeled with codes and color-coded by condition. A legend titled 'Condition' is located in the upper right of the map area, showing five categories: Dead (grey), Fair (orange), Good (green), Poor (red), and ~ Other (blue). Several areas are outlined with green lines and labeled G1, G2, G4, and G5. The map also shows a parking lot with several cars, a building, and sports facilities including tennis and basketball courts. The bottom right corner contains map data and a license code.

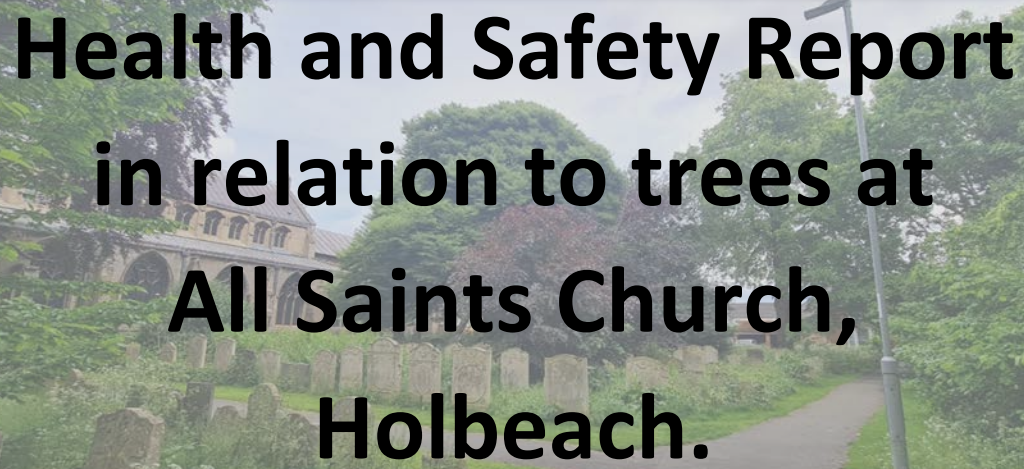
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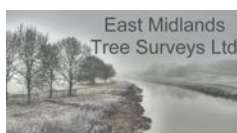
# Health and Safety Report in relation to trees at All Saints Church, Holbeach.

**Prepared by: East Midlands Tree Surveys Ltd.**

**Date: 31/05/2024**

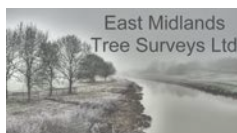
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## 1. Introduction/personal professional statement

East Midlands Tree Surveys LTD was incorporated in 2021, with John Wilcockson serving as the principal Arboricultural Consultant and co-Company Director. Before this, John operated as a Sole Trader Arb Consultant starting in 2014. Earlier in his career, he worked as a Tree Officer for both the Sleaford and Peterborough Local Planning Authorities. During the early years of his consultancy, he also worked part-time with the tree team at Peterborough Limited (Aragon), handling inquiries and conducting surveys of the City Council's street trees.

John holds the Arboricultural Association's Technician's Certificate and the LANTRA Professional Tree Inspection Certificate. He is also a fully qualified and time-served Forester, having dedicated 25 years to the Forestry Commission.

## 2. Instructions

This report was commissioned by Holbeach Parish Council on behalf of All Saints Church, Holbeach . The objectives of this report are as follows:

- To make an assessment of the trees' condition and identify any faults.
- To provide management recommendations based on the data gathered.

## 3. Report Limitations

Trees are living organisms whose health and condition can change rapidly. The health, condition and safety of the trees therefore should be checked on a regular basis, preferably once a year; this is the responsibility of the tree owner. The conclusions and recommendations in this report are only valid in line with the recommendations provided commencing from the date of the survey. The period of validity may be reduced in the case of any change in condition or to proximity to the tree. Only those features that are apparent at the time of inspection could be assessed.

Although every effort has been made to detect defects within the trees inspected, no guarantee can be given as to the absolute safety or otherwise of any individual tree.

No soil samples were taken in preparation of this report and therefore no comments have been made in relation to any soil conditions.

An assessment was made of the trees' condition visually from ground level using Mattheck's Visual Tree Assessment methodology. No climbed inspection or detailed investigation of decay was made; however, this was not considered necessary as enough information was gained about the trees from a ground level inspection. If any faults or potential failings were identified on the tree these have been picked up in the tree survey notes. It should be noted that trees can change significantly over a relatively short period of time, and therefore trees should be monitored on a regular basis for sign of deterioration.

The following assessment procedure was carried out: -

1) observational assessment of the tree in a logical sequence, sub-divided into:

biological indicators



- Foliage – size, colour, distribution etc.
- Upper crown – extension growth, vigour, fungal fruit bodies etc.

mechanical indicators

- Branches – hazard beams, end loading, subsiding, fibre buckling etc.
- Bole – splits, cracks, ribs, bulges, ‘bottle-butt’, fungi, exudates etc.
- Ground level – soil heave, cracks, compaction, waterlogging etc.

2) mechanical confirmation of suspicion aroused by the observational process, in a logical sequence, starting with non-invasive (sounding hammer) and then semi-invasive if required – e.g. Picus.

## 4. Background

The majority of tree roots, even for a mature tree, are found in the top 60cm of the soil and are vulnerable to sudden changes in the rooting environment. These roots absorb moisture and nutrients needed for growth and contrary to popular belief, mature trees do not have a large deep taproot that obtains moisture from great depth.

Any damage to the rooting environment can upset the balance between the crown and roots established by a tree over many years, and this may be detrimental to the health status or may compromise the stability and structural integrity of the tree. It should be noted that healthy trees will usually withstand a loss of a proportion of their root system.

The storage of materials, plant machinery etc. can cause compaction to the upper soil horizons which may result in damage to feeder roots. These feeder roots absorb oxygen, water & nutrients that are then transported around various parts of the tree to fulfil their part in the growth processes of the tree.

Particular care needs to be addressed in dealing with legally protected species such as nesting birds and roosting bats which are protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) from intentional harm and killing and applies to roosting and hibernating bats and active bird nests. The bird nesting season generally runs from March 1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> August, ideally, any works should be avoided within this period. If the presence of bats is suspected, it is recommended that the Local Bat group is contacted for advice.

## 5. Site Information

The trees are located within the grounds of the Churchyard and are a mix of individual broadleaf trees located throughout the graveyard, around the church itself and along the frontage. To the north, east and west there are trees adjacent to the pavement. To the west they are adjacent to neighbouring gardens.

## 6. Tree Protection

The Town and Country Planning Act 1990 protects trees within Conservation Areas that are not already subject to TPO protection. Conservation Areas are defined as “areas of special architectural or historic interest, the character or appearance of which it is





desirable to preserve or enhance". Although Conservation Areas are primarily designated due to the built environment, trees also contribute to the character of these areas. Trees with a diameter in excess of 7.5cm (3 inches) measured 1.5 metres (5 feet) above ground level are protected by law, and 6 weeks' written notice must be given before any tree work, not just felling, is undertaken. For trees being felled to aid the growth of others (i.e. thinning operations), the threshold diameter is 10cm (4 inches).

Within a conservation area there are restrictions to the work that may be carried out on trees. The LPA must be given at least six weeks' notice in writing before works are carried out to most trees within conservation areas. The notice must describe:

- which trees require work
- the nature of the work

Work must not be carried out during that period without permission. (If it is, a heavy fine could be imposed, and replacement planting will generally be required). After six weeks the Council has to make a decision, either negotiate to a favourable position for both parties, approve the works or serve a Tree Preservation Order. Works must be completed within two years of the date of serving the notice.

Notification is not needed if the tree intended to be worked on is:

- less than 7.5 cm (3 inches) in diameter.
- less than 10 cm (4 inches) in diameter if removal is to improve the growth of other trees.
- dead.
- in a commercial orchard or pruning fruit trees in accordance with good horticultural practice.
- directly in the way of development that is about to start, and for which detailed planning permission has been granted.

The diameter is to be measured over the bark of the tree at 1.5m (5ft) above ground level and can be taken to be roughly equal to a third of the girth at that height divided by 3.

Work may also be undertaken without notice:

- to prevent or control a nuisance (in the legal sense, in which case it may be helpful to consult a solicitor).
- to comply with an obligation under an Act of Parliament.
- at the request of certain government departments and other specified organisations.
- For pruning fruit trees for the production of fruit, so long as it is in line with best horticultural practice.

### Tree Preservation Orders (TPO)



These are made by Local Planning Authorities to prohibit the cutting down, uprooting, topping, lopping, wilful damage or destruction of trees without the authority's consent. They can be placed on trees deemed to be of high amenity value within the local landscape, ranging in location from public open spaces to roadsides and private residential gardens.

Once a TPO is made it usually takes immediate effect but can be confirmed or terminated at any time up to six months' time, with or without modifications. Modifications can be a change in description or map details, or a removal of certain trees from the order, but cannot include extra trees to be protected - if the Authority wants to add trees to the order as originally made it is usually necessary to make a new Order. The landowner is still responsible for the trees, their condition and any damage they might cause at all times.

Details of Orders, applications for work and decisions are kept by the local authority and should be available for public inspection. A landowner is also served notice if a new order is made on their land. It is normal, but not required, for other interested parties (for example neighbours, parish councils etc) to be sent copies of new orders too. There is no requirement for applications to do work to protected trees to be advertised, although many authorities choose to do so.

A check of the current status of the trees on site has not been made with the Local Planning Authority and it is advised that this is carried out before any tree works commence on site.

If trees protected by a TPO are cut down, topped, lopped, uprooted or wilfully damaged or destroyed, the owner of the tree(s) and the contractor responsible for the work can both be legally prosecuted. The current maximum fine is £20,000 per tree at the Magistrates Court or unlimited fine at the Crown Court.

Trees that are dead or dangerous are exempt from legislation. It is common good practice to notify the LPA of intention to carry out work to trees that fall into these categories, preferably with some notice (e.g. one working week).

Any works prescriptions for protected trees can be dealt with by way of inclusion into a Planning Application for development purposes; this avoids the need to make a separate tree application.

A leaflet produced by the DCLG (Protected Trees), covers the issues raised by this legislation and can be found on <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/tree-preservation-orders-and-trees-in-conservation-areas>

Statutory wildlife obligations: The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 as amended by the Countryside and The Habitat Regulations 2012 provide statutory protection to birds, bats and other species that inhabit trees. All tree work operations are covered by these provisions and advice from an ecologist should be obtained before undertaking any works that might constitute an offence.



## 7. Aspirations of the survey

The aim of this survey is to determine the current health and condition of the trees and to thereafter, identify and highlight hazardous defects and assess potential risks in relation to the owner's Duty of Care.

## 8. Duty of care relating to trees

In broad terms, a tree owner, and/or whoever has control over it (the duty holder), has a duty of care in both civil and criminal law to take reasonable management measures to avoid foreseeable injury or harm. Duty holders are expected to consider the risks posed by their trees and manage those risks in a reasonable and proportionate way.

There is well established case law upholding the principle that the standard of the duty of care varies according to the resources available to the duty holder, i.e. a large land owner such as an estate or a highway authority would be expected to apply a higher standard of management than smaller landowners such as residential householders.

In short, the law expects duty holders to act in a practical and sensible way, according to the size of their properties.

However, in the event that a duty holder is found neglectful of their duty of care in terms of checking, i.e. they did not have their trees checked where a significant potential for harm existed, it does not automatically follow that they will be liable for any harm that arises.

Liability will only flow from that negligence if it can be established that a competent check would have identified an unacceptable risk of harm and resulted in remedial works that would have prevented that harm occurring. If a defect that resulted in failure would not have been found in a competent check, then, irrespective of any negligence from not carrying out a check, the duty holder is unlikely to be held liable for the consequences of the failure.

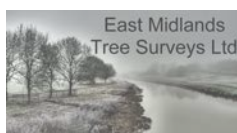
This duty of care is something that applies to those invited and those uninvited (trespass scenario).

## 9. Negligence, Liability and Acts of God

More specifically, negligence, liability and Acts of God are commonly used terms when discussing duty of care and how blame will be apportioned in the event of harm arising.

Although they are the subject of detailed legal definitions, their everyday meaning during normal use is more helpful. Negligence occurs when someone fails to do something that a reasonable person would have done. Liability is where the responsibility lies when something happens, i.e. who is to blame, with an implication that this is where compensation may be due for any harm that arises. An Act of God means an event that is beyond human control, i.e. there were no obvious indications that it was going to happen before the event.

Case histories suggest that act of God is only a means of defence if the tree(s) have been inspected by a competently trained person and any advice acted upon.



**Any trees that EMTS are unable to assess due to vegetation or access will not be risk scored therefore liability for the trees will remain with the landowner until the trees are cleared, reinspected and EMTS is able to revisit and assess.**

## 10. Criteria for Risk Assessment

The Risk Assessment system used is based on the *Tree Hazard: Risk Evaluation and Treatment System* (THREATS) and has been used to record the facts of the inspection as per: -

- Lists any observed defects
- Assessment of the three components of tree risk (defect, target and impact – after Matheny & Clark (1994)<sup>1</sup>)
- The system contains an algorithm that provides for a relatively subtle interaction between these three components
- Arrives at a conclusion which was in tune with what can be termed ‘unassisted arboricultural decision making’ (aka gut instinct)
- Establishes a defensible hierarchy of response that includes delayed intervention and phased re-inspection.

Score range	Threat category	recommended action and completion deadline				
4000 +	7 - Extreme	Evacuate/prevent access to impact site, emergency call-out of contractors				
2001-3999	6 - Serious	Close site if practical; arrange for work to be completed within 7 days				
1000-2000	5 - Significant	Arrange for work to be completed within four weeks maximum				
330-999	4- Moderate	Remediate within 13 weeks, reinspect after SWE meantime (inc. gales to Force 7+)				
160-329	3- Slight	Reinspect annually /after storms (Force 10+), expect to schedule work within 2 yrs				
50-159	2- Minimal	Reinspect within 3 yrs if public access, schedule work as required				
0-49	1- Insignificant	Reinspect within 5 yrs if general public access or 3 yrs if child-specific access & TS ≥20				

## 11. Findings

Appendix 1 lists the trees surveyed along with site observations recorded at the time of inspection.

The majority of trees inspected had no significant defects with only ivy severing required.

The site plan can be found at Appendix 2.



## 12. Recommendations

Carry out the works identified at Appendix 1 within the time frames noted.

Following a recent court case (*WITLEY PARISH COUNCIL V CAVANAGH (2018)*) ruling whereby an individual was left with life changing injuries, a judge determined that trees should be inspected every 18 months.

It is recommended therefore that the most pragmatic and cost-effective solution is that a survey is carried out across the whole site every 18 months to pick up seasonal variances between Summer and Autumn/Winter.

With this in mind, it is suggested that a full survey is carried out again in Autumn of 2025.

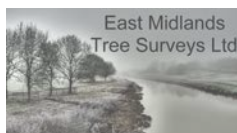
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# Appendix 1 - Tree Survey Data

## Tree Survey Report

Client: Holbeach Parish Council

Site: All Saints Church

Condition	No. trees
Fair	1
Good	35
Total	36



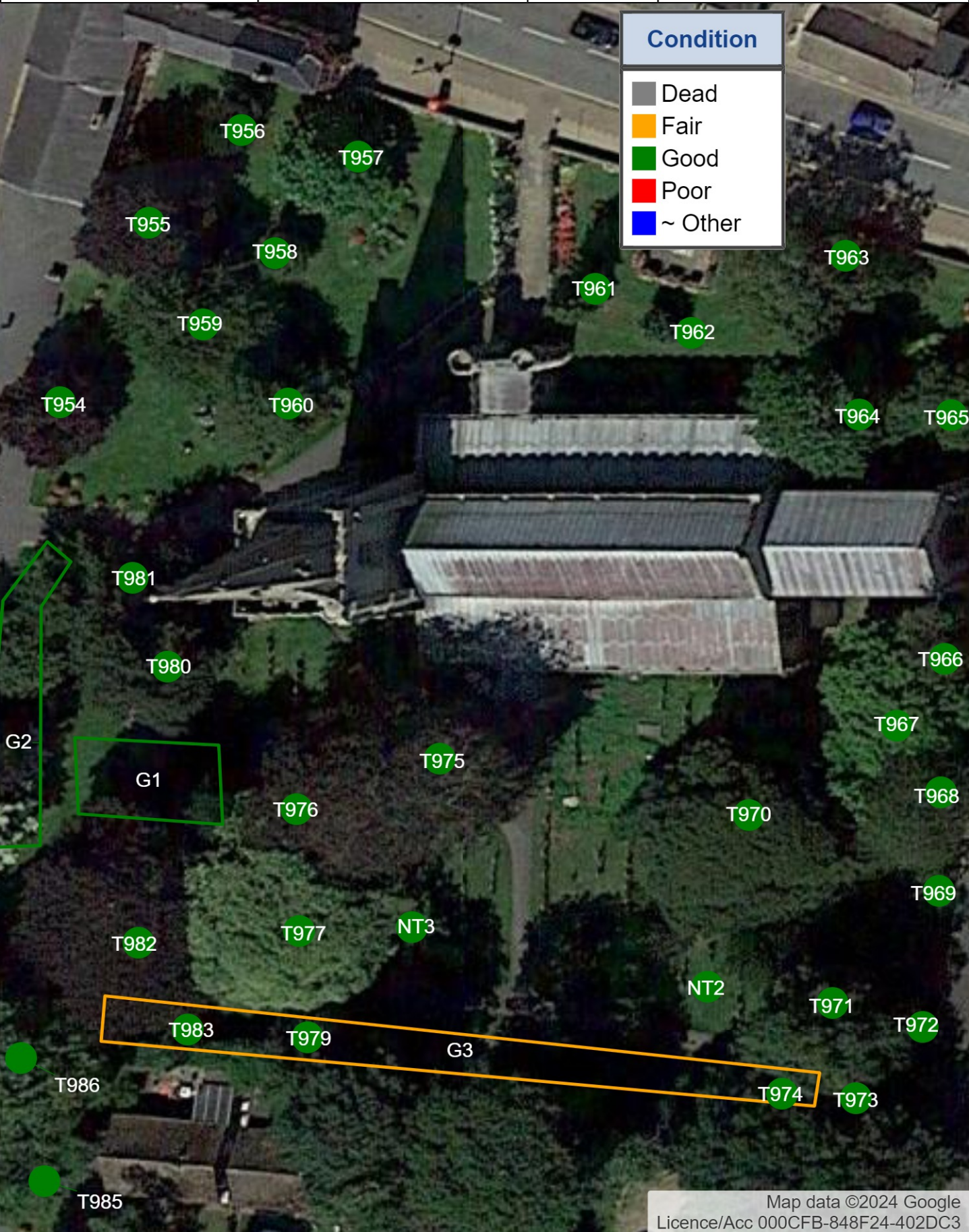
Ref.	Species	Target	Measurements	Survey Notes	Condition	Threat Category	Inspection period months	Recommendations
G1	Mixed species (Mixed species)	Footpath Churchyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	2 x Holly, 1 x Yew Yew Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G2	Mixed species (Mixed species)	Footpath Road Churchyard	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	2 x Maple, 1 Whitebeam, 1 Oak Trunk - Codominant stems Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G3	Mixed species (Mixed species)	Garden Footpath Churchyard	Life Stage: Young Life Exp.: 50+ Years	Holly, Hazel, Cherry, Sycamore, Elder, Laurel - all young trees	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
NT2	Copper beech (Fagus sylvatica purpurea)	Churchyard	Life Stage: Young Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
NT3	Hornbeam (Carpinus betulus)	Churchyard Footpath	Life Stage: Young Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T954	Purple norway maple (Acer platanoides 'Crimson King')	Footpath Road Churchyard	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2.5m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Overhead cables Roots - surface root damage	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T955	Purple norway maple (Acer platanoides 'Crimson King')	Footpath Road Churchyard Building	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2.5m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Overhead cables Roots - surface root damage	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T956	Yew (Taxus sp.)	Churchyard Building	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 0.5m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T957	Tulip tree (Liriodendron tulipifera)	Footpath Churchyard	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T958	Cut-leaf beech (Fagus sylvatica 'Asplenifolia')	Churchyard	Life Stage: Young Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T959	Hornbeam (Carpinus betulus)	Churchyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 1.7m Roots - surface root damage Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Minor vandalism on main trunk	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T960	Sweet chestnut (Castanea sativa)	Footpath Churchyard Building	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - surface bark wound	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T961	Douglas fir (Pseudotsuga menziesii)	Footpath Churchyard Building Road	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Trunk - leaning <15°	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T962	Whitebeam (Sorbus aria)	Churchyard	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.

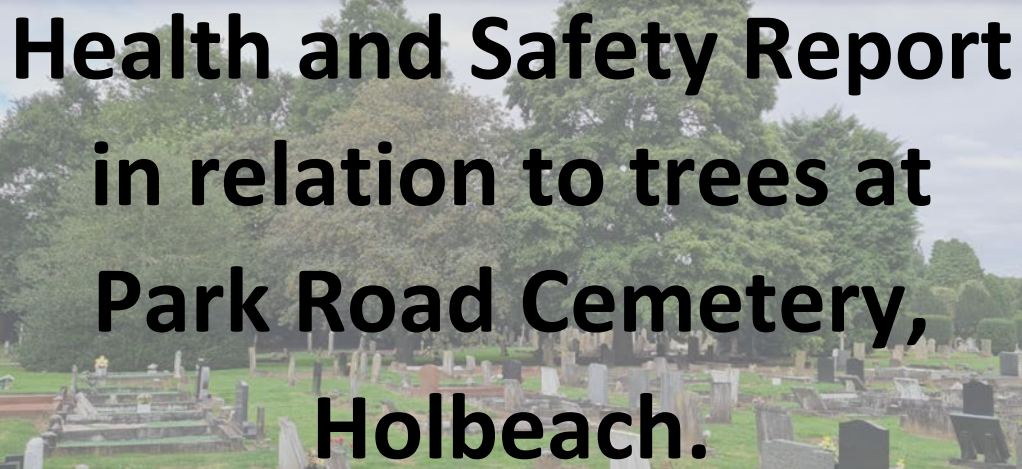
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T963	Birch ( <i>Betula sp.</i> )	Footpath Churchyard Building Road	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - thin foliage	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T964	Acacia ( <i>Acacia sp.</i> )	Footpath Churchyard Building Road	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - Codominant stems at 1m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T965	Cherry ( <i>Prunus sp. 'Cherry'</i> )	Footpath Churchyard Road Building	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T966	Birch ( <i>Betula sp.</i> )	Footpath Churchyard Building Road	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Trunk - Codominant stems at ground level	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T967	Indian bean tree ( <i>Catalpa bignonioides</i> )	Footpath Churchyard Building Road	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - leaning 15° to 30° Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T968	Cherry ( <i>Prunus sp. 'Cherry'</i> )	Footpath Churchyard Building Road	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Trunk - Codominant stems at 1m, weak union Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - Ivy/climber	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T969	Cherry ( <i>Prunus sp. 'Cherry'</i> )	Footpath Churchyard Building Road	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Trunk - Codominant stems at 1. 2m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - suppressed Poor form	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T970	Cut-leaf beech ( <i>Fagus sylvatica 'Asplenifolia'</i> )	Footpath Churchyard Building Road	Life Stage: Over Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - multi stemmed at 2m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - major deadwood >100mm Roots - surface root damage Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs, part occluded	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T971	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Churchyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - leaning 15° to 30° Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T972	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Churchyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T973	Hornbeam ( <i>Carpinus betulus</i> )	Churchyard Garden Footpath	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - suppressed Trunk - surface bark wound	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T974	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Churchyard Garden Footpath	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Trunk - Ivy/climber	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T975	Copper beech ( <i>Fagus sylvatica purpurea</i> )	Footpath Churchyard Building	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Roots - surface root damage Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.



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T976	Copper beech ( <i>Fagus sylvatica purpurea</i> )	Footpath Churchyard Building	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Roots - surface root damage Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - leaning <15° Crown - asymmetric Crown - major deadwood >100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T977	Sycamore ( <i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i> )	Footpath Churchyard Building	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - major deadwood >100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stub Trunk - Codominant stems at 4m Graft	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T979	Lime ( <i>Tilia sp.</i> )	Churchyard Garden Footpath Building	Life Stage: Young Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Coppice stool, consider recoppicing to prevent damage to fence Trunk - Ivy/climber	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T980	Turkey oak ( <i>Quercus cerris</i> )	Footpath Churchyard Building	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stub	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T981	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Footpath Churchyard Building	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T982	Copper beech ( <i>Fagus sylvatica purpurea</i> )	Footpath Churchyard Building Road	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Roots - surface root damage Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T983	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Churchyard Garden Footpath	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Trunk - Ivy/climber	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T985	Ginkgo biloba ( <i>Ginkgo biloba</i> )	Footpath Building Road	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Roots - surface root damage Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T986	Tree of heaven ( <i>Ailanthus altissima</i> )	Footpath Building Road	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - Codominant stems at 4m Roots - surface root damage	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.







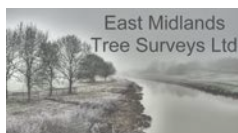
# Health and Safety Report in relation to trees at Park Road Cemetery, Holbeach.

**Prepared by: East Midlands Tree Surveys Ltd.**

**Date: 31/05/2024**

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## 1. Introduction/personal professional statement

East Midlands Tree Surveys LTD was incorporated in 2021, with John Wilcockson serving as the principal Arboricultural Consultant and co-Company Director. Before this, John operated as a Sole Trader Arb Consultant starting in 2014. Earlier in his career, he worked as a Tree Officer for both the Sleaford and Peterborough Local Planning Authorities. During the early years of his consultancy, he also worked part-time with the tree team at Peterborough Limited (Aragon), handling inquiries and conducting surveys of the City Council's street trees.

John holds the Arboricultural Association's Technician's Certificate and the LANTRA Professional Tree Inspection Certificate. He is also a fully qualified and time-served Forester, having dedicated 25 years to the Forestry Commission.

## 2. Instructions

This report was commissioned by Holbeach Parish Council on behalf of Park Road Cemetery, Holbeach. The objectives of this report are as follows:

- To make an assessment of the trees' condition and identify any faults.
- To provide management recommendations based on the data gathered.

## 3. Report Limitations

Trees are living organisms whose health and condition can change rapidly. The health, condition and safety of the trees therefore should be checked on a regular basis, preferably once a year; this is the responsibility of the tree owner. The conclusions and recommendations in this report are only valid in line with the recommendations provided commencing from the date of the survey. The period of validity may be reduced in the case of any change in condition or to proximity to the tree. Only those features that are apparent at the time of inspection could be assessed.

Although every effort has been made to detect defects within the trees inspected, no guarantee can be given as to the absolute safety or otherwise of any individual tree.

No soil samples were taken in preparation of this report and therefore no comments have been made in relation to any soil conditions.

An assessment was made of the trees' condition visually from ground level using Mattheck's Visual Tree Assessment methodology. No climbed inspection or detailed investigation of decay was made; however, this was not considered necessary as enough information was gained about the trees from a ground level inspection. If any faults or potential failings were identified on the tree these have been picked up in the tree survey notes. It should be noted that trees can change significantly over a relatively short period of time, and therefore trees should be monitored on a regular basis for sign of deterioration.

The following assessment procedure was carried out: -

1) observational assessment of the tree in a logical sequence, sub-divided into:

biological indicators



- Foliage – size, colour, distribution etc.
- Upper crown – extension growth, vigour, fungal fruit bodies etc.

mechanical indicators

- Branches – hazard beams, end loading, subsiding, fibre buckling etc.
- Bole – splits, cracks, ribs, bulges, ‘bottle-butt’, fungi, exudates etc.
- Ground level – soil heave, cracks, compaction, waterlogging etc.

2) mechanical confirmation of suspicion aroused by the observational process, in a logical sequence, starting with non-invasive (sounding hammer) and then semi-invasive if required – e.g. Picus.

## 4. Background

The majority of tree roots, even for a mature tree, are found in the top 60cm of the soil and are vulnerable to sudden changes in the rooting environment. These roots absorb moisture and nutrients needed for growth and contrary to popular belief, mature trees do not have a large deep taproot that obtains moisture from great depth.

Any damage to the rooting environment can upset the balance between the crown and roots established by a tree over many years, and this may be detrimental to the health status or may compromise the stability and structural integrity of the tree. It should be noted that healthy trees will usually withstand a loss of a proportion of their root system.

The storage of materials, plant machinery etc. can cause compaction to the upper soil horizons which may result in damage to feeder roots. These feeder roots absorb oxygen, water & nutrients that are then transported around various parts of the tree to fulfil their part in the growth processes of the tree.

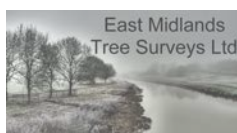
Particular care needs to be addressed in dealing with legally protected species such as nesting birds and roosting bats which are protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) from intentional harm and killing and applies to roosting and hibernating bats and active bird nests. The bird nesting season generally runs from March 1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> August, ideally, any works should be avoided within this period. If the presence of bats is suspected, it is recommended that the Local Bat group is contacted for advice.

## 5. Site Information

The trees are located around the perimeter and throughout the grounds of the cemetery and are a mix of individual conifer and broadleaf trees along with a number of groups. To the north, east and west, trees are adjacent to the pavement.

## 6. Tree Protection

The Town and Country Planning Act 1990 protects trees within Conservation Areas that are not already subject to TPO protection. Conservation Areas are defined as “areas of special architectural or historic interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance”. Although Conservation Areas are primarily





designated due to the built environment, trees also contribute to the character of these areas. Trees with a diameter in excess of 7.5cm (3 inches) measured 1.5 metres (5 feet) above ground level are protected by law, and 6 weeks' written notice must be given before any tree work, not just felling, is undertaken. For trees being felled to aid the growth of others (i.e. thinning operations), the threshold diameter is 10cm (4 inches).

Within a conservation area there are restrictions to the work that may be carried out on trees. The LPA must be given at least six weeks' notice in writing before works are carried out to most trees within conservation areas. The notice must describe:

- which trees require work
- the nature of the work

Work must not be carried out during that period without permission. (If it is, a heavy fine could be imposed, and replacement planting will generally be required). After six weeks the Council has to make a decision, either negotiate to a favourable position for both parties, approve the works or serve a Tree Preservation Order. Works must be completed within two years of the date of serving the notice.

Notification is not needed if the tree intended to be worked on is:

- less than 7.5 cm (3 inches) in diameter.
- less than 10 cm (4 inches) in diameter if removal is to improve the growth of other trees.
- dead.
- in a commercial orchard or pruning fruit trees in accordance with good horticultural practice.
- directly in the way of development that is about to start, and for which detailed planning permission has been granted.

The diameter is to be measured over the bark of the tree at 1.5m (5ft) above ground level and can be taken to be roughly equal to a third of the girth at that height divided by 3.

Work may also be undertaken without notice:

- to prevent or control a nuisance (in the legal sense, in which case it may be helpful to consult a solicitor).
- to comply with an obligation under an Act of Parliament.
- at the request of certain government departments and other specified organisations.
- For pruning fruit trees for the production of fruit, so long as it is in line with best horticultural practice.



## Tree Preservation Orders (TPO)

These are made by Local Planning Authorities to prohibit the cutting down, uprooting, topping, lopping, wilful damage or destruction of trees without the authority's consent. They can be placed on trees deemed to be of high amenity value within the local landscape, ranging in location from public open spaces to roadsides and private residential gardens.

Once a TPO is made it usually takes immediate effect but can be confirmed or terminated at any time up to six months' time, with or without modifications. Modifications can be a change in description or map details, or a removal of certain trees from the order, but cannot include extra trees to be protected - if the Authority wants to add trees to the order as originally made it is usually necessary to make a new Order. The landowner is still responsible for the trees, their condition and any damage they might cause at all times.

Details of Orders, applications for work and decisions are kept by the local authority and should be available for public inspection. A landowner is also served notice if a new order is made on their land. It is normal, but not required, for other interested parties (for example neighbours, parish councils etc) to be sent copies of new orders too. There is no requirement for applications to do work to protected trees to be advertised, although many authorities choose to do so.

A check of the current status of the trees on site has not been made with the Local Planning Authority and it is advised that this is carried out before any tree works commence on site.

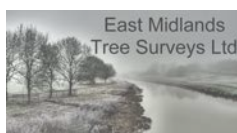
If trees protected by a TPO are cut down, topped, lopped, uprooted or wilfully damaged or destroyed, the owner of the tree(s) and the contractor responsible for the work can both be legally prosecuted. The current maximum fine is £20,000 per tree at the Magistrates Court or unlimited fine at the Crown Court.

Trees that are dead or dangerous are exempt from legislation. It is common good practice to notify the LPA of intention to carry out work to trees that fall into these categories, preferably with some notice (e.g. one working week).

Any works prescriptions for protected trees can be dealt with by way of inclusion into a Planning Application for development purposes; this avoids the need to make a separate tree application.

A leaflet produced by the DCLG (Protected Trees), covers the issues raised by this legislation and can be found on <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/tree-preservation-orders-and-trees-in-conservation-areas>

Statutory wildlife obligations: The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 as amended by the Countryside and The Habitat Regulations 2012 provide statutory protection to birds, bats and other species that inhabit trees. All tree work operations are covered by these provisions and advice from an ecologist should be obtained before undertaking any works that might constitute an offence.



## 7. Aspirations of the survey

The aim of this survey is to determine the current health and condition of the trees and to thereafter, identify and highlight hazardous defects and assess potential risks in relation to the owner's Duty of Care.

## 8. Duty of care relating to trees

In broad terms, a tree owner, and/or whoever has control over it (the duty holder), has a duty of care in both civil and criminal law to take reasonable management measures to avoid foreseeable injury or harm. Duty holders are expected to consider the risks posed by their trees and manage those risks in a reasonable and proportionate way.

There is well established case law upholding the principle that the standard of the duty of care varies according to the resources available to the duty holder, i.e. a large land owner such as an estate or a highway authority would be expected to apply a higher standard of management than smaller landowners such as residential householders.

In short, the law expects duty holders to act in a practical and sensible way, according to the size of their properties.

However, in the event that a duty holder is found neglectful of their duty of care in terms of checking, i.e. they did not have their trees checked where a significant potential for harm existed, it does not automatically follow that they will be liable for any harm that arises.

Liability will only flow from that negligence if it can be established that a competent check would have identified an unacceptable risk of harm and resulted in remedial works that would have prevented that harm occurring. If a defect that resulted in failure would not have been found in a competent check, then, irrespective of any negligence from not carrying out a check, the duty holder is unlikely to be held liable for the consequences of the failure.

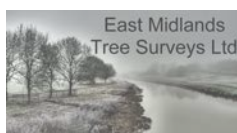
This duty of care is something that applies to those invited and those uninvited (trespass scenario).

## 9. Negligence, Liability and Acts of God

More specifically, negligence, liability and Acts of God are commonly used terms when discussing duty of care and how blame will be apportioned in the event of harm arising.

Although they are the subject of detailed legal definitions, their everyday meaning during normal use is more helpful. Negligence occurs when someone fails to do something that a reasonable person would have done. Liability is where the responsibility lies when something happens, i.e. who is to blame, with an implication that this is where compensation may be due for any harm that arises. An Act of God means an event that is beyond human control, i.e. there were no obvious indications that it was going to happen before the event.

Case histories suggest that act of God is only a means of defence if the tree(s) have been inspected by a competently trained person and any advice acted upon.



**Any trees that EMTS are unable to assess due to vegetation or access will not be risk scored therefore liability for the trees will remain with the landowner until the trees are cleared, reinspected and EMTS is able to revisit and assess.**

## 10. Criteria for Risk Assessment

The Risk Assessment system used is based on the *Tree Hazard: Risk Evaluation and Treatment System* (THREATS) and has been used to record the facts of the inspection as per: -

- Lists any observed defects
- Assessment of the three components of tree risk (defect, target and impact – after Matheny & Clark (1994)<sup>1</sup>)
- The system contains an algorithm that provides for a relatively subtle interaction between these three components
- Arrives at a conclusion which was in tune with what can be termed ‘unassisted arboricultural decision making’ (aka gut instinct)
- Establishes a defensible hierarchy of response that includes delayed intervention and phased re-inspection.

Score range	Threat category	recommended action and completion deadline				
4000 +	7 - Extreme	Evacuate/prevent access to impact site, emergency call-out of contractors				
2001-3999	6 - Serious	Close site if practical; arrange for work to be completed within 7 days				
1000-2000	5 - Significant	Arrange for work to be completed within four weeks maximum				
330-999	4- Moderate	Remediate within 13 weeks, reinspect after SWE meantime (inc. gales to Force 7+)				
160-329	3- Slight	Reinspect annually /after storms (Force 10+), expect to schedule work within 2 yrs				
50-159	2- Minimal	Reinspect within 3 yrs if public access, schedule work as required				
0-49	1- Insignificant	Reinspect within 5 yrs if general public access or 3 yrs if child-specific access & TS ≥20				

## 11. Findings

Appendix 1 lists the trees surveyed along with site observations recorded at the time of inspection.

The majority of trees inspected had no significant defects.

All required works are highlighted in yellow.

The site plan can be found at Appendix 2.



## 12. Recommendations

Carry out the works identified at Appendix 1 within the time frames noted.

Once the basal growth has been removed on those trees identified, EMTS will need to go back to site to risk assess the trees.

Following a recent court case (*WITLEY PARISH COUNCIL V CAVANAGH (2018)*) ruling whereby an individual was left with life changing injuries, a judge determined that trees should be inspected every 18 months.

It is recommended therefore that the most pragmatic and cost-effective solution is that a survey is carried out across the whole site every 18 months to pick up seasonal variances between Summer and Autumn/Winter.

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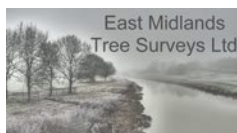
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Tree Survey Report

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Site: Park Road Cemetery



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Total	89

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G7	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Graveyard Footpath Road	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - leaning <15° Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - tearout wound	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G8	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Graveyard Footpath Road	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - leaning <15° Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - tearout wound	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G9	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	3 x Yew Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G10	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	3 x Yew Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - thin foliage	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G11	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Graveyard Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	6 x Holly Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G12	Mixed species ( <i>Mixed species</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Mixed Yew and Cypress No significant defects Some Yew are shaped, mix of Irish and English varieties	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G13	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G14	Larch ( <i>Larix sp.</i> )	Graveyard Building	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	3 x Larch No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G15	Mixed species ( <i>Mixed species</i> )	Graveyard Building Garden Car park	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Appears to be a lapsed hedge - Oak, Larch, Hazel, Field Maple, Cherry, Elder, Apple Dense ground cover prevents assessment Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation.	Good		6	Actionable defects: Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Control Measures: Clear round larger diameter trees to allow for reinspection. Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
G16	Mixed species ( <i>Mixed species</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Holly and Yew mix No significant defects Trunk - Ivy/climber on group of 3 Yew, next to building	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
G17	Mixed species ( <i>Mixed species</i> )	Graveyard Garden	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Yew, Cypress, Holly Trunk - Ivy/climber Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)



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G18	Laurel ( <i>Laurus sp.</i> )	Graveyard Garden	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G19	Mixed species ( <i>Mixed species</i> )	Graveyard Garden	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Holly and Laurel Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - Ivy/climber Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - leaning >30°	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
G20	Mixed species ( <i>Mixed species</i> )	Graveyard Building Road Driveway Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Yew, Holly, Laurel mix Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Trunk - Ivy/climber Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level	Good		6	Actionable defects: Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Clear round base to allow for reinspection. Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
G21	Mixed species ( <i>Mixed species</i> )	Graveyard Footpath Road	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	6 Yew, 3 Holly, 1 Laurel Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G22	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Graveyard Footpath Road	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - leaning <15° Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - tearout wound Topped Roots - surface root damage	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G23	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Graveyard Footpath Road	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Codominant stems Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - leaning <15° Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - tearout wound Topped Roots - surface root damage	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G24	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	3 x Yew Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - thin foliage	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G25	Mixed species ( <i>Mixed species</i> )	Graveyard Garden Footpath Road	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	4 x Yew, 10 x Holly, 1 x Laurel Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G26	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Single tree and young saplings No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G27	Laurel ( <i>Laurus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Multi-stemmed and self sets	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G28	Mixed species ( <i>Mixed species</i> )	Graveyard Footpath Road	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Holly, Yew, Cypress, Laurel Poor form Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - leaning <15°	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G29	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.

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G30	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	5 x Yew Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - Ivy/climber Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - dense crown foliage	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
G31	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	3 x Yew Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - Ivy/climber Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - dense crown foliage	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
G32	Mixed species ( <i>Mixed species</i> )	Graveyard Footpath Road	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Holly & Yew Trunk - Codominant stems Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - Ivy/climber Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - dense crown foliage Crown - low branches on Yew	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Crown - low branches on Yew Control Measures: Sever ivy Clear round base Consider crown Lifting/Raising To 2 Metres minimum on Yew Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
G33	Mixed species ( <i>Mixed species</i> )	Graveyard Footpath Road	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Holly, Yew, Laurel Trunk - Codominant stems Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - Ivy/climber Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - leaning <15° Crown - suppressed Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - major deadwood >100mm Crown - Ivy/climber Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - dense crown foliage Crown - old pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
G34	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard Footpath Road	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	3 x Yew Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
G35	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	4 x Yew Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - dense crown foliage	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T901	Irish yew ( <i>Taxus baccata 'Fastigiata'</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T902	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard Building Garden Footpath Road	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - thin foliage Trunk - Codominant stems at ground level	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T903	Laurel ( <i>Laurus sp.</i> )	Graveyard Building Garden	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Decay channel on main trunk	Fair	3: Slight	18	No significant defects/no work required.



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T904	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard Building Garden	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - thin foliage Trunk - Codominant stems at ground level	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T905	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Crown - early lower crown dieback	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T906	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Crown - early lower crown dieback	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T907	Cherry ( <i>Prunus sp. 'Cherry'</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - codominant stems at 1.8m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T908	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T909	Alder ( <i>Alnus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T910	Whitebeam ( <i>Sorbus aria</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - Codominant stems at Crown - asymmetric Crown - suppressed	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T911	London plane ( <i>Platanus x hispanica</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - Codominant stems at 3m Crown - asymmetric Trunk - tearout wound at 3m, part occluded	Good	2: Minimal	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T912	Oak ( <i>Quercus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - asymmetric Crown - major deadwood >100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T913	Oak ( <i>Quercus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - asymmetric	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T914	Whitebeam ( <i>Sorbus aria</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - Codominant stems at 1.5m Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T915	Grey alder ( <i>Alnus incana</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - Codominant stems at 4m Crown - major deadwood >100mm Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
NT2	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - major deadwood >100mm Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Crown - excessive crossing branches Crown - dense crown foliage Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
NT3	Irish yew ( <i>Taxus baccata 'Fastigiata'</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T916	Californian redwood ( <i>Sequoia sempervirens</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Young Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
NT4	Irish yew ( <i>Taxus baccata 'Fastigiata'</i> )	Graveyard Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T917	Red oak ( <i>Quercus rubra</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.

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T918	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - thin foliage	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T919	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	2 x Holly 1 x Trunk - leaning 15° to 30° No significant defects	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T920	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T921	Birch ( <i>Betula sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk is damaging adjacent gravestones	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T922	Birch ( <i>Betula sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T924	Raywood ash ( <i>Fraxinus angustifolia oxycarpa</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Thin crown in places	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
NT5	Irish yew ( <i>Taxus baccata 'Fastigiata'</i> )	Graveyard Garden	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T925	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Graveyard Garden Building	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
NT9	Cedar ( <i>Cedrus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Young Life Exp.: 50+ Years	No significant defects	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T926	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Graveyard Garden Building	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Trunk - leaning >30°	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T927	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard Road Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T928	Cedar ( <i>Cedrus sp.</i> )	Graveyard Road	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Trunk - Codominant stems at 1m Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - major deadwood >100mm Crown dieback - Eastern trunk appears to be part dead	Good	3: Slight	18	Actionable defects: Crown - dieback Control Measures: Remove dead section of crown Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T929	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Graveyard Road Footpath	Life Stage: Young Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Ivy/climber Trunk - leaning <15°	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Control Measures: Sever ivy Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T930	Oak ( <i>Quercus sp.</i> )	Graveyard Road Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - Ivy/climber Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - major deadwood >100mm Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation.	Good		6	Actionable defects: Trunk - Ivy/climber Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Control Measures: Sever ivy Clear round base to allow for reinspection. Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T931	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - thin foliage	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T932	Irish yew ( <i>Taxus baccata 'Fastigiata'</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - thin foliage Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T933	Rowan ( <i>Sorbus aucuparia</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Early Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - Codominant stems at 0.5m Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.



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T934	Oak ( <i>Quercus sp.</i> )	Graveyard Road Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Reduced following previous recommendations	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T935	Birch ( <i>Betula sp.</i> )	Graveyard Footpath Road	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Trunk - leaning <15°	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T936	Cedar ( <i>Cedrus sp.</i> )	Graveyard Footpath Road	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - multi stemmed at 3m Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - major deadwood >100mm Crown - dense crown foliage	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T937	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - dense crown foliage	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T938	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Graveyard Footpath Road	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - thin foliage	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T939	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard Footpath Road	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - thin foliage	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T940	Cedar ( <i>Cedrus sp.</i> )	Graveyard Footpath Road	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - dense crown foliage	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T941	Oak ( <i>Quercus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
NT6	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - dense crown foliage Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T942	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - multi stemmed at 3m Decay channel on central trunk, part occluded Crown - major deadwood >100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T943	Oak ( <i>Quercus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - major deadwood >100mm Trunk - Codominant stems at 2m	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
NT7	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - dense crown foliage Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T944	False cypress ( <i>Chamaecyparis sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - multi stemmed at 0.5m Decay channel on failed central trunk	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
NT8	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Crown - dense crown foliage Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Crown - low branches	Good		6	Actionable defects: Unable to assess effectively due to vegetation. Crown - low branches Control Measures: Clear round base to allow for reinspection. Crown Lifting/Raising To 2 Metres Minimum Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T945	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - Ivy/climber Crown - thin foliage	Fair	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.



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T946	Rowan ( <i>Sorbus aucuparia</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Young Life Exp.: 40+ Years	No significant defects Growing in grave	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Growing in grave Control Measures: Consider removing Timescale: No Action
T947	Oak ( <i>Quercus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Semi Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T948	Hawthorn ( <i>Crataegus sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T949	Holly ( <i>Ilex sp.</i> )	Graveyard	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - excessive crossing branches Trunk - Codominant stems at 1.8m Historically topped at 6m Crown - low branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	Actionable defects: Crown - low branches Control Measures: Crown Lifting/Raising To 3 Metres Minimum Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T950	Cedar ( <i>Cedrus sp.</i> )	Graveyard Footpath Road	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs, some significant Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Crown - major deadwood >100mm Tearout at 3.5m which has resulted in an ascending and descending part occluded crack from 5m above and 2m below the tearout	Fair	4: Moderate	18	Actionable defects: Tearout wound & crack Control Measures: Monitor crack at time o fother site trees reinspection in 6mths Timescale: 27-Nov-2024 (6 Months)
T951	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T952	Cherry ( <i>Prunus sp.</i> 'Cherry')	Graveyard Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - multi stemmed at 1.8m Roots - surface root damage	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.
T953	Yew ( <i>Taxus sp.</i> )	Graveyard Footpath	Life Stage: Mature Life Exp.: 40+ Years	Trunk - historic pruning wounds/stubs Crown - minor deadwood < 100mm Trunk - multi stemmed at ground level Crown - excessive crossing branches	Good	1: Insignificant	18	No significant defects/no work required.

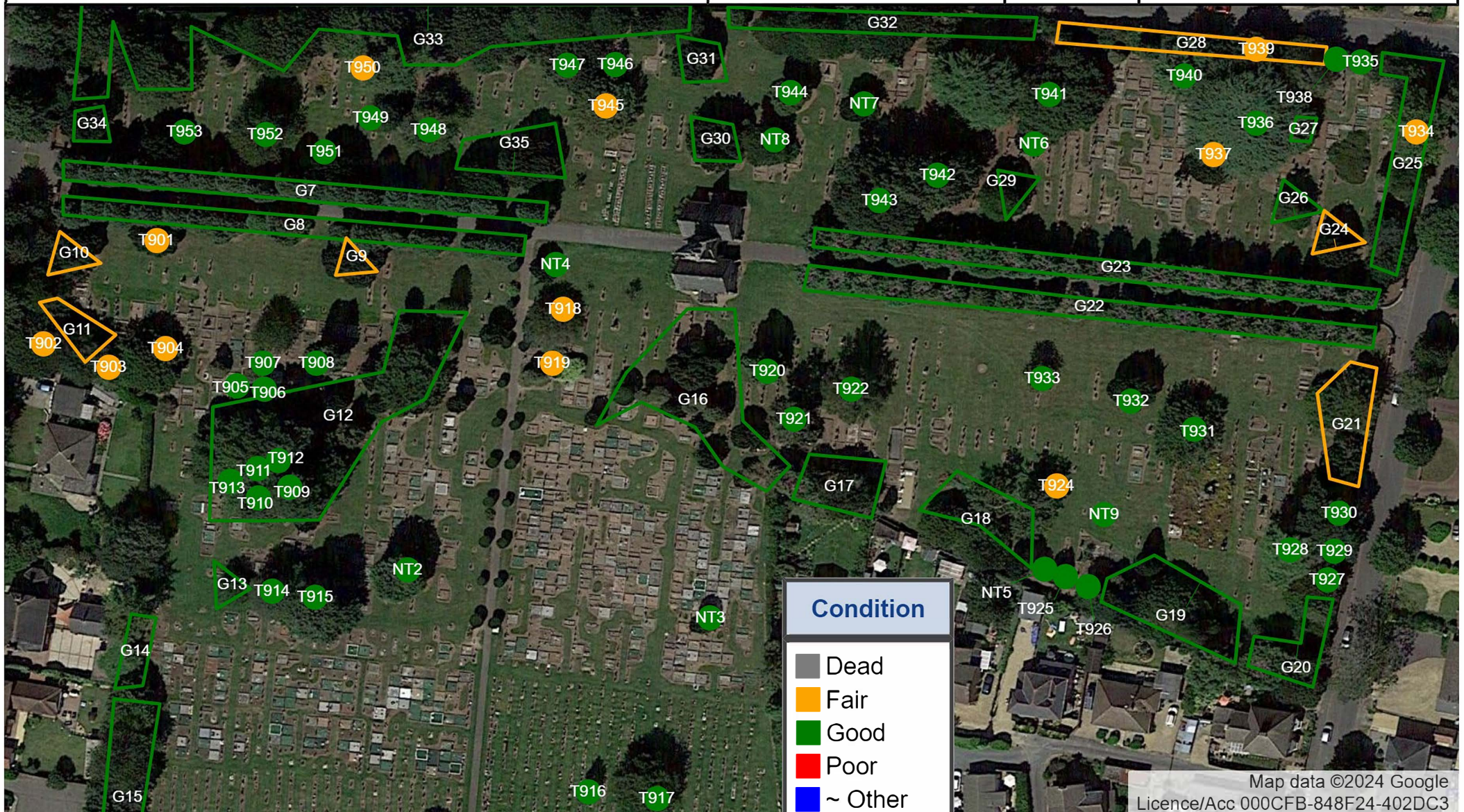


## Appendix 2 - Site Plan overview

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Park Road Cemetery

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Site Plan 1

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Park Road Cemetery

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**Condition**

- Dead
- Fair
- Good
- Poor
- ~ Other

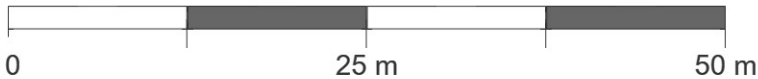


Site Plan 2

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Park Road Cemetery

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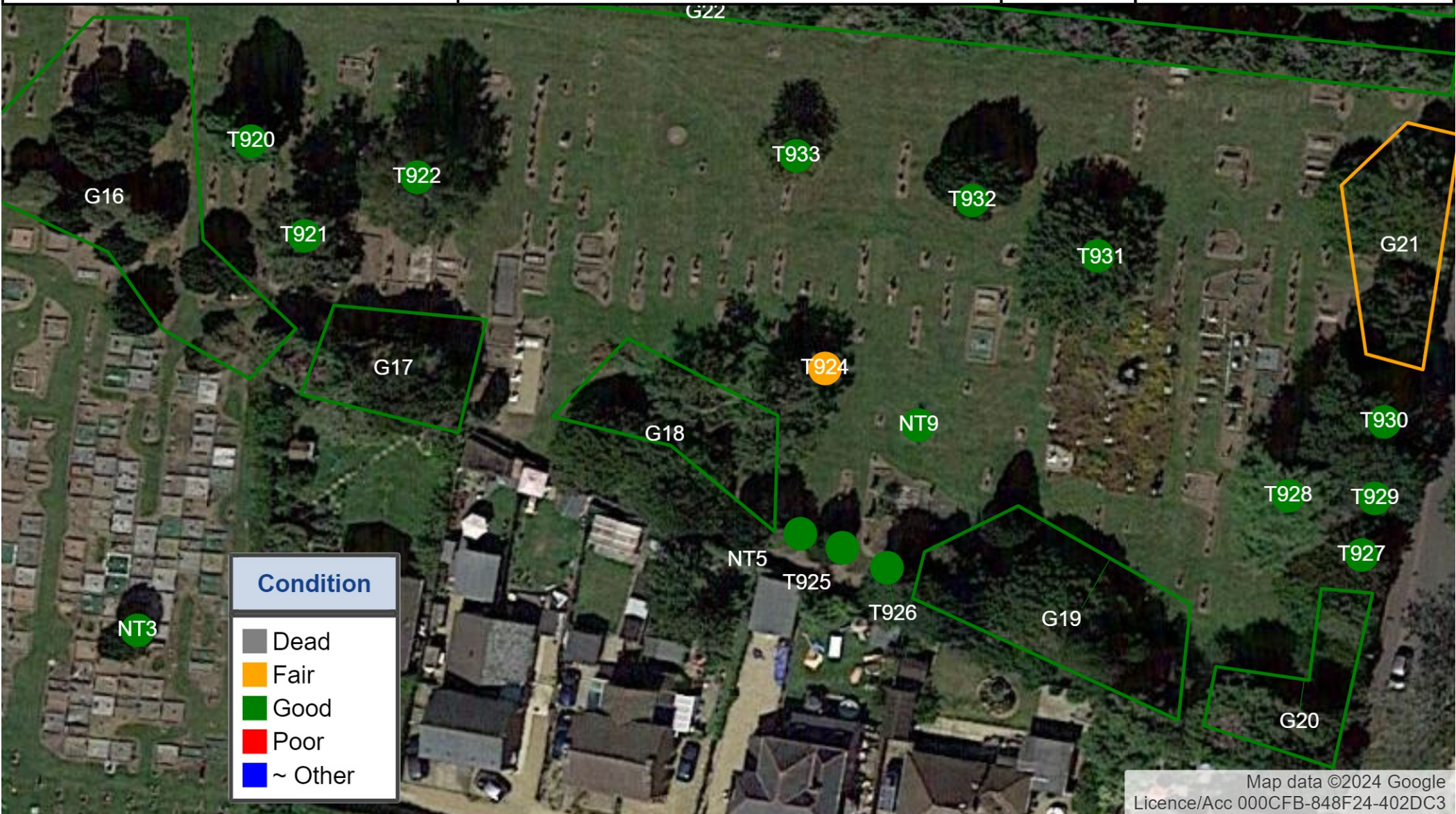
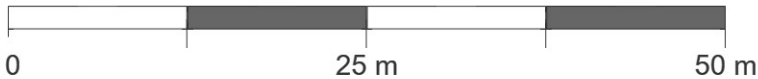


Site Plan 3

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Site Plan 4

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East Midlands  
Tree Surveys Ltd



## Tree Survey Quotes

### Quote One

#### Estimate

ADDRESS  
Holbeach Parish Council  
Coubro Chambers  
11 West End  
Holbeach  
Lincolnshire  
PE12 7LW

ESTIMATE 1775  
DATE 18/08/2025

DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT
Condition survey	Tree condition assessment along with report and recommendations in order to meet the owner's Duty of Care under Common Law.	1,320.00
Mileage rate.		36.00
Travel time		150.00
TOTAL		<b>£1,506.00</b>

### Quote Two

Site 1 - Carters Park, £1600

Site 2 - Holbeach Cemetery, £1600

Site 3 – All Saints Church, £1100

Site 4 - Netherfield Open Space, £650

Site 5 – Fishpond Lane Ecology Area, £650

In total this comes to £5600

I think this will take 3.5 weeks to complete all surveys and compile the reports. I live in Holbeach and would like to provide quality advice for my home area.

I can provide any proof of qualifications if needed. I'm a technician member of the Arb Association and have a Dip Arb Lv4, Pti, QTRA & TechArborA.





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**Battlefields Allotment – Plot Number [Insert Plot Number] - Formal 28-Day Improvement Notice**

**Do not ignore this letter if you wish to retain your plot**

Dear Plot Holder

Following a site inspection by Holbeach Parish Council on **1st July 2025**, your allotment plot was found to be below the required standard. You were previously issued a Tidy-Up Notice in July, but unfortunately, significant improvements have not been made.

This letter serves as a formal 28-day Improvement Notice. If your plot is not substantially improved within 28 days from the date of this letter, you will be issued a Notice to Quit, which will result in the termination of your tenancy and loss of the plot.

We appreciate that circumstances such as illness or personal hardship may affect your ability to maintain the plot. If you are experiencing genuine difficulties, please contact us by email, phone, or in person so we can discuss your situation and explore possible support.

If you no longer have the time or capacity to manage your plot, we kindly ask that you voluntarily relinquish it. This ensures fairness to other plot holders who are actively cultivating their spaces. You may notify us of your decision via email or text.

Yours sincerely,  
[Insert Name]  
[Insert Title]  
[Insert Council Contact Details]





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**[Allotment Site Name] – Plot Number [Insert Plot Number] - Formal Notice to Quit**

You are hereby issued a Notice to Quit your allotment plot due to a breach of Clause 6.4 of your Allotment Tenancy Agreement:

Despite receiving two prior notices:

- **July 2025** – Tidy-Up Letter issued
- **August 2025** – Formal 28-Day Improvement Notice issued

...your plot remains **well below the required standard**, with no significant improvements made.

As a result, your tenancy is being terminated. Please ensure that **all personal property is removed from the plot by 25 August 2025**, as the Council will begin clearance after this date. The Council will not be held responsible for any items left on site.

We regret that this action has become necessary and thank you for your understanding.

Yours sincerely,  
[Insert Name]  
[Insert Title]  
[Insert Council Contact Details]



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### **Battlefields Allotment – Plot No. [Insert Plot Number] - Tidy-Up Notice**

Dear Plot Holder

Following a Council site inspection on **1st July 2025**, we observed that your allotment plot is currently untidy and insufficiently maintained. It appears that little to no cultivation has taken place this season, and the plot is significantly overgrown.

[Insert photo of plot]

As part of our allotment guidelines, all plot holders are expected to:

- Keep plots as weed-free as reasonably possible
- Prevent weeds from growing tall or going to seed
- Strim or clear uncultivated areas, plot edges, and the common pathway along the fence line

We understand that personal circumstances may occasionally prevent plot maintenance. If you are experiencing difficulties—whether temporary or ongoing—please contact us via email, phone, or in person. We may be able to offer support, suggest a smaller plot, or discuss options for relinquishing your current plot and rejoining at a later date when you're able to commit.

This notice provides you with 28 days to bring your plot up to an acceptable standard and maintain it going forward. If sufficient improvements are not made within this period, a 28-day Improvement Notice will be issued. Continued non-compliance may result in an Eviction Notice.

Our next site visit is scheduled for around **4th August 2025**, and we sincerely hope to see meaningful improvements by then to avoid further action.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours sincerely,

[Insert Name]

[Insert Title]

[Insert Council Contact Details]



## **Quote**

**Date :- 15/8/2025**

**Address:- Holbeach football club, park road, Holbeach.**

Dear Becky,

Your quote to reduce lateral pine tree branches which are causing flood light issues at the above address, will come to the total amount of = £600.

All arising's will be removed leaving the site tidy.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this quote. My details can be found below.

Kindest regards,

William Tarrant.

**Sort code** : 60-83-71 **Account number** : 00146448 – Will The Tree Man LTD

**Cheques made payable to** : "Mr William Tarrant"

**Phone/mobile**: 07879554113. **Email** – [willthetreeman@outlook.com](mailto:willthetreeman@outlook.com) **Facebook**/willthetreeman

**Website** – [www.willthetreeman.co.uk](http://www.willthetreeman.co.uk)

**\*Please pay invoices within 14 days of receipt, unless agreed otherwise prior to works starting.**

**Thank you for your business.**





## **Quote**

**Date :- 12/8/2025**

**Address:- All saints church, Holbeach**

Dear Becky,

Your quote as requested for the removal of the dead silver birch tree at the above address (near the war memorial) will come to the total amount of = £800.

All arising's will be removed leaving the site tidy.

Please do not hesitate to contact me If you have any questions regarding this quote. My details can be found below.

Kindest regards,

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# Financial Budget Comparison

## for Open Spaces

Comparison between 01/04/25 and 31/07/25 inclusive. Includes due and unpaid transactions.

Excludes transactions with an invoice date prior to 01/04/25

		2025/26	Reserve	Actual Net	Balance
<b>INCOME</b>					
<b>Open Spaces</b>					
1100	Litter picking grant	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
1200	Allotment rent received	£10,835.25	£0.00	£4,510.01	-£6,325.24
1201	Allotment Deposits received	£0.00	£0.00	£68.50	£68.50
1203	Sale of Assets	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
1210	Duck food receipts	£0.00	£0.00	£81.00	£81.00
1300	Cemetery Fees	£16,000.00	£0.00	£5,180.00	-£10,820.00
1301	Scrap	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
1305	Sale of holly	£300.00	£0.00	£0.00	-£300.00
1601	Pump Track fund raising	£0.00	£0.00	£134.35	£134.35
4415	Tennis courts	£0.00	£0.00	£2,500.00	£2,500.00
<b>Total Open Spaces</b>		£27,135.25	£0.00	£12,473.86	-£14,661.39
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>					
<b>Open Spaces</b>					
4056	Business rates - Hall Gate	£1,100.00	£0.00	£747.75	£352.25
4215	Waste services	£6,200.00	£0.00	£1,005.34	£5,194.66
4220	Plant & Machinery renewals	£10,000.00	£0.00	£5,415.54	£4,584.46
4235	Horticultural supplies	£3,000.00	£0.00	£184.13	£2,815.87
4236	Horticultural supplies -CP Charity	£1,000.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,000.00
4238	War Memorial - All Saints	£1,500.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,500.00
4240	Costs Carters Park Charity	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
4242	Play equipment renewals	£3,000.00	£0.00	£750.00	£2,250.00

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		<b>2025/26</b>	<b>Reserve</b>	<b>Actual Net</b>	<b>Balance</b>
4245	Litter picker equipment	£150.00	£0.00	£0.00	£150.00
4250	Sacks litter picker	£250.00	£0.00	£0.00	£250.00
4270	Grass cutting	£6,765.00	£0.00	£313.50	£6,451.50
4275	Grass cutting - Holbeach St Johns	£2,040.00	£0.00	£136.00	£1,904.00
4280	Grass cutting - Holbeach St Marks	£2,040.00	£0.00	£0.00	£2,040.00
4285	Grass cutting - Holbeach Hurn	£1,350.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,350.00
4300	Memorials	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
4305	Drainage	£750.00	£0.00	£941.62	£-191.62
4310	Allotment rents paid	£2,539.00	£0.00	£1,232.50	£1,306.50
4360	Loan repayment PWLB	£5,865.00	£0.00	£2,932.46	£2,932.54
4400	Tree work	£12,000.00	£0.00	£450.00	£11,550.00
4401	Tree work - CP Charity	£5,000.00	£0.00	£0.00	£5,000.00
4402	Tree survey	£1,700.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,700.00
4405	Locking/unlocking	£3,670.00	£0.00	£1,073.00	£2,597.00
4406	Locking/unlocking CP Charity	£3,670.00	£0.00	£1,001.00	£2,669.00
4410	Play Equipment	£400.00	£0.00	£0.00	£400.00
4411	Netherfield - football goals	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
4412	Tractor Shed	£0.00	£6,840.00	£6,840.00	£0.00
4413	Battlefields	£0.00	£10,403.98	£10,403.98	£0.00
4414	Play equip CP Charity	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
4416	Changing places toilets	£1,500.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,500.00

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		<b>2025/26</b>	<b>Reserve</b>	<b>Actual Net</b>	<b>Balance</b>
4420	Play equip inspections	£420.00	£0.00	£0.00	£420.00
4421	Play insp CP Charity	£450.00	£0.00	£0.00	£450.00
4425	Street furniture	£2,200.00	£0.00	£401.01	£1,798.99
4450	Vehicle insurance	£400.00	£0.00	£238.22	£161.78
4453	Projects	£17,500.00	£0.00	£0.00	£17,500.00
4455	Repairs & Maintnance	£8,650.00	£0.00	£6,089.95	£2,560.05
4456	Duck Food	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
4457	Nature reserve improvements	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
4458	Rep & Maint CP Charity	£0.00	£0.00	£164.01	-£164.01
4460	Fuel	£2,600.00	£0.00	£762.42	£1,837.58
4461	Fuel CP Charity	£1,400.00	£0.00	£126.66	£1,273.34
4625	Pest control - Nature reserve	£250.00	£0.00	£0.00	£250.00
4670	Electricity - Carter Park	£3,500.00	£0.00	£2,453.58	£1,046.42
4680	Water	£440.00	£0.00	£47.68	£392.32
4681	Water - CP Charity	£800.00	£0.00	£38.02	£761.98
<b>Total Open Spaces</b>		£114,099.00	£17,243.98	£43,748.37	£87,594.61
Total Open Spaces Income		£27,135.25	£0.00	£12,473.86	-£14,661.39
Total Open Spaces Expenditure		£114,099.00	£17,243.98	£43,748.37	£87,594.61
<b>Total Net Balance</b>		<b>-£86,963.75</b>		<b>-£31,274.51</b>	