



Highway Tree Management Tree Removal - Assessment and Consultation

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| Street Name: East Street, Walsall | Tree Location/address: Outside property number 6 |
| Date: 17.09.2024 | Assessment Officer(s): Glyn Wilkes (Arboriculture Surveyor) |

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| Location e.g. School, surgery, other facility | Unclassified Road. Between Haskell Street and Hawes Road |
| Minimum Footway Width 1.0m in accordance with DfT guidance 'Inclusive Mobility' Section 3.1 | Footway width is reduced to 0.5m which makes it impassable for mobility scooters and wheelchairs |
| Maximum Footway Gradient 1:10 in accordance DfT guidance 'Inclusive Mobility' Section 3.2 Review footway crossfall for wheelchairs and mobility scooters. | Footway gradient adversely affected |
| Exposed Tree Roots assess for trip hazards and structural damage to adjacent property | No risk |
| Tree Root Heave Lifting carriageway surface and creating standing water with increased risk of sheet ice during winter periods. | Tree root heave is lifting the footway surface and causing cracking |
| Kerbs Displaced into Carriageway by Tree Roots. Assess risk to motor vehicles and potential to cause road traffic accidents. | Kerbs have previously been displaced, removed and infilled with tarmac. |
| Overhanging Highway Creating a danger to high sided vehicles. Recommend that trees do not overhang the highway kerb line for a height of 2.5m, increasing to 4.5m on bus routes. (Highways Act S154) | No risk. |
| Potential Risk and Insurance Claims Risk level, previous claims. | None |



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| <p>On-going Maintenance Costs e.g. Highway Repair</p> | <p>Walsall Council has previously patched the footway on several occasions.</p> |
| <p>Species and Value Capital Asset Value for Amenity Trees (CAVAT)</p> | <p>London Plane CAVAT value £71,076</p> |
| <p>Condition & Health of Tree Safe Useful Life Expectancy (SULE)</p> | <p>SULE 70 years</p> |
| <p>Community/ Consultation (Duty to Consult on Felling Trees)</p> | <p>This tree assessment has been carried out following concerns raised by local residents and Councillors.</p> <p>A public consultation period will be open for 28 days. The consultation period will end on 16th December 2024. Should you choose to comment during this period, please email cleanandgreen@walsall.gov.uk</p> <p>You will need to provide details of the tree location together with your comments.</p> <p>Also include a note in your email that it is for the attention of the Arboriculture Team.</p> |
| <p>Alternative Engineering Solutions Available to Retain Tree</p> | <p>Engineering solutions have been considered but no practical solution is available.</p> |
| <p>Replacement & Replanting Proposal</p> | <p>The Highway Authority will fund the cost of a replacement tree in a suitable local location determined by the Council's Arboriculture Officer. Species of new tree is yet to be determined.</p> |
| <p>Recommended Course of Action by Highway Authority</p> <p>Retain tree <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Remedial work <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Remove tree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>A decision has been made to remove this tree on highway safety grounds</p> |
| <p>Tree Inspection G Wilkes – Arboriculture Surveyor</p> | <p style="text-align: right;">Date: 17.09.2024</p> |
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RISK RATING

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| | 5 Catastrophic | | | | | |
| I M P A C T | 4 Severe | | | | | |
| | 3 Material | | | | X | |
| | 2 Minor | | | | | |
| | 1 Negligible | | | | | |
| | | 1 Rare | 2 Unlikely | 3 Possible | 4 Probable | 5 Almost Certain |

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RISK SCORE

Impact Risk Score assessed as 3 multiplied by Likelihood Risk Score assessed as 4
Overall risk rating is 12 and is classified as a High Risk

Appendices attached:

| Item | Details |
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| 1 | Photo attached - Looking towards tree from carriageway |
| 2 | Photo attached - Along length of footway |
| 3 | Photo attached – Base of tree |
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