

Highway Tree Management Tree Removal - Assessment and Consultation

Street Name: Greaves Avenue, Walsall	Tree Location/address: Outside property number 47
Date: 31.12.2024	Assessment Officer(s): Glyn Wilkes (Arboriculture Surveyor)

Location e.g. School, surgery, other facility	Unclassified Road. Between Sutton Rd and Gillity Avenue
Minimum Footway Width 1.0m in accordance with DfT guidance 'Inclusive Mobility' Section 3.1	No risk.
Maximum Footway Gradient 1:10 in accordance DfT guidance 'Inclusive Mobility' Section 3.2 Review footway crossfall for wheelchairs and mobility scooters.	No risk.
Exposed Tree Roots assess for trip hazards and structural damage to adjacent property	Trial pit excavated adjacent to property. Tree roots present. Root analysis confirms Acer species.
Tree Root Heave Lifting carriageway surface and creating standing water with increased risk of sheet ice during winter periods.	No risk.
Kerbs Displaced into Carriageway by Tree Roots. Assess risk to motor vehicles and potential to cause road traffic accidents.	No risk.
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.

<p>Potential Risk and Insurance Claims Risk level, previous claims.</p>	<p>Current ongoing insurance claim.</p>
<p>On-going Maintenance Costs e.g. Highway Repair</p>	<p>Walsall Council has previously patched the footway on a number of occasions.</p>
<p>Species and Value Capital Asset Value for Amenity Trees (CAVAT)</p>	<p>Sycamore (Acer pseudoplatanus) CAVAT value £10,408.00</p>
<p>Condition & Health of Tree Safe Useful Life Expectancy (SULE)</p>	<p>SULE 20 - 60 years</p>
<p>Community/ Consultation (Duty to Consult on Felling Trees)</p>	<p>This tree assessment has been carried out following concerns raised by a local resident.</p> <p>A public consultation period will be open for 28 days. The consultation period will end on 10th February 2025. 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 two replacement trees in a suitable local location determined by the Council's Arboriculture Officer. Species of new trees are 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. Investigations have proven that the tree roots are causing property damage.</p>
<p>Tree Inspection G Wilkes – Arboriculture Surveyor</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Date: 31.12.2024</p>

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RISK RATING

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

LIKELIHOOD

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
1	Photo attached - Along length of footway
2	Photo attached – Base of tree
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