

Section 7 and 8
Identification of Trees, Description and Reasons for Works

Following my meeting with Ivan Button, of BMBC, on the 23rd June, the following work is necessary for the ongoing management of the woodland.

- T1) Badly formed ash tree. Low dangerously isolated stressed branch overhanging adjoining residents' garden. Crown to be lifted to 10 metres.
- T2) Ash tree branch overhanging garden and house. Co dominant branch needs removing at ground level in the interest of safety and to prevent potential damage to property and persons.
- T3) Ash tree to be removed in interest of good woodland management, due to co dominant stem with a major tear wound. Replace with two standard oak.
- T4) Diseased ash tree with bark damage. Hazard to adjoining property and persons due to its size and proximity. In the interest of good woodland management, the tree needs removing. Replace with two standard oak.
- T5) Tall ash tree to be removed due to disease. Replace with two standard oak.
- T6) Diseased ash tree with bark damage. Like T4, the tree is a serious hazard to near by properties. Therefore in the interest of good woodland management and safety, the tree needs removing. Replace with two standard oak.
- T7) Large sycamore located within 10 metres of 1 Alexander Gardens. Major disease problem with large levels of bark missing. In the interest of safety, tree needs removing. It was recommended that this would only need replacing by a single oak because of it being located within a garden, hence giving it a far greater chance of survival.
- T8) Ash tree with major tear at its fork. Tree also has bark damage. In the interest of safety, due to its location next to an electric substation, the tree needs removing. Please note that the tree is not to be replaced due to its proximity to the nearby electric substation, to prevent the same problem from reoccurring.
- T9) Remove ash tree. Tree is heavily diseased and its close proximity to 1 Alexander Gardens. Replace with two standard oak.
- T10) Crown lift of ash tree required 6 metres from the ground in the interest of good woodland management.
- T11) Ash tree with co dominant branch rotting between 2 and 5 metres. Needs removing in the interest of good woodland management, as well as its proximity to electricity lines. To be replaced with two standard oak on nearby boundary.

Replanting

During the meeting, it was recommended the location of the replacement trees should be in the clearing of the wood in the south. Also each tree removed, should be replaced by two standard oaks (with the exception of T7 and T8).

As outlined, ten of the replacement oak tree's will be planted in the area highlighted orange on the *Rowlands Plantation 1* plan (South West corner of the wood). A further two will be planted on the North boundary. The remaining replacement will be planted in place of T7 within the proximity of the garden.

Please note a further standard oak tree will also be planted in the area highlighted orange following emergency work that was carried out in October 2008 when a Sycamore suffered wind-blow, causing damage to the nearby property (3 Alexander Gardens).

Furthermore, we are advised that the planned replanting of 18 Yew trees and 18 Holly bushes from previous permissions should be situated on the Northern boundary to form a hedge. This is on account of the poor conditions for growth in the centre of the plantation and the already well established shrubs in place.