

Tree Works application for:

George Reitz

Oulder Hill House

Oulder Hill Drive

Rochdale

OL11 5LB

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Tree condition
Survey:

Oulder Hill House

FAO: Rochdale Borough Council; Planning, Trees, Conservation

21st November 2023

Arboricultural Tree Condition Report carried out: Sept 2023

Rochdale TPO Number 29; Groups - G2 and G3

Proposal

The applicant would like to remove two trees (one Ash & one Sycamore) and prune two trees (one Ash & one Horse Chestnut).

Site Characteristics

The trees are located adjacent to Oulder Hill House, Rochdale, OL11 5LB. The two trees to be removed and one to be pruned are situated to the rear of the property on the western aspect. One tree sought for pruning is located on the eastern boundary and overhangs Oulder Hill Drive.

Technical Consultations

Phil Humeniuk visited the site on 25th September 2023 and undertook an inspection of the trees from ground level.

Analysis

It is considered that the works specified within this application are acceptable. The Ash sought for removal (**T1**) is middle aged and displays advanced Ash Dieback disease and contains deadwood. The mature Sycamore (**T2**) to be removed is in overall decline. The lower stem junction displays significant denatured wood and the onset of decay from ground level to 0.5 metres.

The middle aged Horse chestnut sought for pruning (**T4**) has an end-weighted canopy biased east over the footpath and road due to competition from neighbouring trees. Crown thin 15% East

Mature Ash tree (**T3**) has a large sweeping limb which has developed a dense canopy to its end.

Reduce sail area 30% East.

The specified works would not have a detrimental impact upon the amenity and character of the area, and would therefore not be contrary to general arboricultural guidance regarding safeguarding trees, woodlands and hedgerows.

Yours sincerely



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T1 -Right. Defoliated Ash; Ash dieback



T2 Sycamore decayed union