

# TREE SURVEY & REPORT

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Milnrow  
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## TREE SURVEY / SCHEDULE AND REPORT

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Date: 29/06/24

Location: 18 Botesworth Green, Milnrow Rochdale OL16 3PJ

TPO Land off Botesworth Green Milnrow T9 and T11 TPO184. Local Authority: Rochdale

The following report was compiled by Mr S Patrick, an Arborist with over 20 years experience and having a BTEC 3 qualification in Arboriculture, triple distinction who has worked for the general public, National Trust (Craggside), English Heritage and private estates.

The report has been requested by the owners of the property to meet their needs of maintenance for their curtilage of trees.

The tree survey carried out was designed to gather information on the age, condition, species, type and size of the trees within the curtilage of the grounds.

Therefore this survey allows the owner to monitor the general health of the tree population and identify any possibly dangerous trees. Also allowing to plan ongoing maintenance needed to prevent failure of trees.

The results of the survey allow the owner to plan and budget for a cost-effective work programme if needed.

The report relates to one protected tree that's located within garden of 18 Botesworth Green, Milnrow. The property is a relatively modern detached dwelling that is set in a modern housing estate. The protected trees are within the front and back garden of the property which is to the south east.

The trees are part of a larger Tree Preservation Order which covers a number of individually protected trees on Botesworth Green. The trees are between the south facing gable elevation of no. 18 Botesworth Green and Butterworth Hall Brook and as such they are visible to the general public and have amenity value.

The report includes the thinning of tree T9 and T11 both are mature Sycamore.

## **Guidance.**

Landowners, under both the civil law and criminal law, have responsibility for the health and safety of those on or near their land.

The owner holds a responsibility to carry out such surveys as a duty of care and to avoid any claims of negligence against them if a hazard or a potentially dangerous tree has been identified, as it would be negligent not to investigate.

Tree reports assess a range of risks represented by a tree. Tree reports can also investigate any specified defects. A report will cover from the roots upwards paying particular attention to mechanical defects and signs of decay; the report will also recommend any remedial action to be taken or any future maintenance (see Tree Schedule below).

## Proposed Tree Schedule of Works

| TREE NO. | SPECIES  | D.B.H (CM) | HEIGHT (M) | AGE | CATEGORY BS 5837 | Work RECOMMENDATION |
|----------|----------|------------|------------|-----|------------------|---------------------|
| T9       | Sycamore | 40         | 12         | MA  | SS HHH H2        | Canopy thin by 10%  |
| T11      | Sycamore | 40         | 12         | MA  | SS HHH H3        | Canopy thin by 10%  |

## Glossary of Terms.

Y Young, SM Semi mature, MA Mature  
SS Single Stem, TS Twin stem, MS Multi Stem

Crown, Stem, and overall Health of the tree are noted as:  
P Poor, R Reasonable, H Healthy

Quality: A High, B Moderate, C Low.

Sub category: 1, mainly arboricultural value. 2, mainly landscape value.

Example SS HRH M1 (single stem Healthy crown, reasonable stem, Healthy overall, moderate arboriculture value.

## **Tree Report: - Prepared for Mr L Drake**

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The inspection took place on a dry day with no wind, the surrounding trees were in full leaf.

It is clear from the inspection that the tree has had some maintenance or management in the past to a good standard.

T11 of TPO 184 is located in the rear garden (the area can be accessed through the rear side of the property of 18 Botesworth Hall Green. T9 is located in the front garden next to a garage, both trees have a positive impact on the amenity value of the area. To continue the visual amenity, maintenance and care of the trees it is proposed to carry out a thinning of 10% and no more.

The trees are in good health and vigour. The trees were last granted work back in 2012 some 12 years ago and have responded well to that work, hence the request to revisit the work and regain the size, shape and reopen the canopy for the benefit of the owners, keeping the visual amenity.

Any works permitted need to ensure that a balanced canopy is retained and not more than 10% of the total canopy is removed. The works need to be carried out to BS3998:2010 –Tree Work Recommendations.

### **Future Observations**

Trees grow and can develop weaknesses, the climate is changing and many factors that affect trees are rarely static, they are living dynamic organisms. An Arborist should undertake regular inspections so that changes in the trees can be monitored and management implemented, thus ensuring the maintenance and preservation of trees continues.

### **Conclusion**

The mentioned tree schedule within the curtilage should be maintained through good practice and any surgery completed to BS3998 2010.