

PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER:P09/0201

Type of approval sought	Tree Preservation Order
Ward	SEDGLEY
Applicant	Dudley MBC
Location:	LAND AT THE REAR OF 25 AND 27,, EVERSLEY GROVE, SEDGLEY, DUDLEY, WEST MIDLANDS
Proposal	FELL 1 NO. ASH.
Recommendation Summary:	APPROVE SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS

TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO: D704 (2002) W1 SITE AND SURROUNDINGS

1. The tree subject to this application is a mature ash tree that is located adjacent to the rear fences of 27 Eversley Grove, Sedgley.
2. The tree is situated within the Alder Coppice woodland that adjoins onto a large number of properties on the Northway Estate. The tree can be seen from Eversley Grove, between the gaps in the properties, and serve to maintain the general foliage density from within the woodland.

PROPOSAL

3. Summary of proposals for the works as written on application form is as follows:
 - Fell 1 ash tree.
4. The trees have been marked on the attached plan.

HISTORY

5. There has been one previous Tree Preservation Order application on this site.

<i>Site History</i>		
Application No	P08/1529	05/01/09
Proposal	Prune 1 Willow and 1 Ash Tree	Approved with conditions

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

6. No representations have been received.

ASSESSMENT

Tree(s) Appraisal

Criteria	Tree 1
TPO No	W1
Species	Ash
Height	10M
Spread	6m
Diameter	2 x 250mm
Form	Moderate / Poor
Vigour	Moderate
Approx Age	Early Mature
Pests / Diseases	None Evident
Canopy	Moderate / Poor
% Deadwood	3%
Cavities	Included fork at base.
Bark	Good
Roots	Moderate
Overall Health	Moderate / Poor
Visibility	Moderate
Amenity Value	Moderate / Low

Further Assessment

7. The felling of ash tree has been requested following a previous application to prune the tree was approved. As during the determination of the application by the Tree Preservation Orders Committee it was considered that the felling of the tree may have been more appropriate as the proposed pruning would have left an unnaturally looking tree. To this end it was recommended that Greencare be invited to submit a further application to remove the tree.
8. On inspection of the tree it was found to be in a moderate to poor conditions with a number of defects present. The main fork at the base of the tree is included and it was noted that a hazard beam crack was forming in the limb that extends over the adjacent rear garden.

9. Hazard beam cracks form when naturally curved limbs start to straighten, this straightening can be caused by many triggers, such as the development of new foliage, or increased wind loading. As the straightening of the limb occurs, increased stresses in the centre of the limb cause it to de laminate and split along a section of the limb. In splitting, the limb generally re-balances the forces exerted on it, and splitting is usually contained. However as the crack exposes the heartwood, hazard beam cracks often fail as the result of future fungal infection.
10. Whilst the hazard beam does not warrant the removal of the tree it is recommended that the limb on which the crack is forming is removed. The removal of this limb will unbalance the tree and leave it looking as unnatural as the, already approved, pollarding of the tree would. Due to this it is recommended that the tree is felled.
11. The removal of this tree will have a limited impact on the amenity of the area, as it will not have any detrimental impact on the woodland as a whole. Also it is not considered that there will be any requirement to replace the tree as a new tree will naturally develop in time.

CONCLUSION

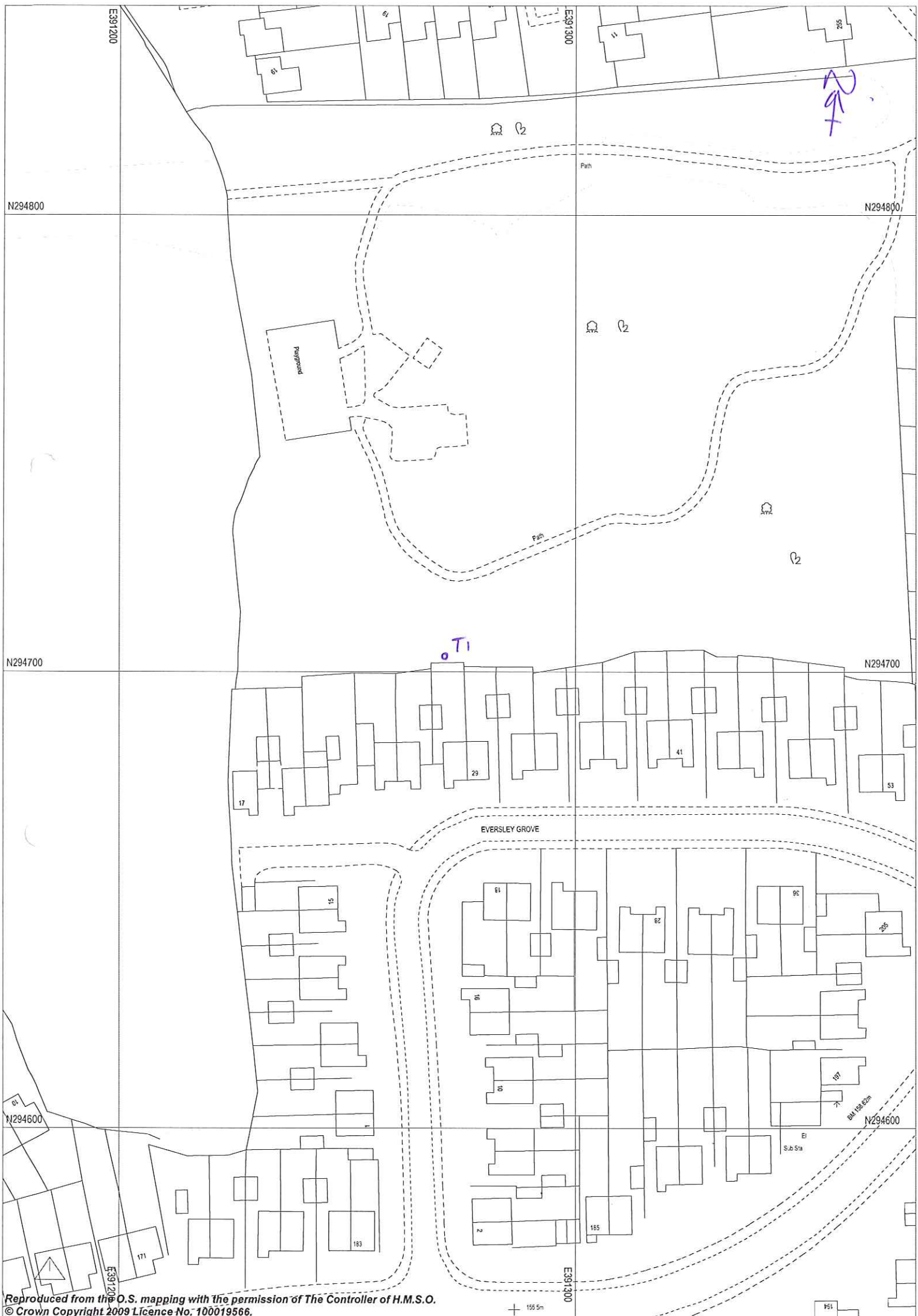
12. The applicant has proposed to fell an ash tree that is situated close to the rear boundary of an adjacent garden.
13. During the determination of a previous application for pruning on this ash the Tree Preservation Orders Committee suggested that it may have been more appropriate to fell the tree rather than prune it and accordingly invited the applicant to submit an application to fell the tree.
14. The ash tree has a substantially included fork at the base of the tree. This will make the tree prone to failure during unsettled weather. There is also the beginning of a hazard beam split occurring in the limb the overhangs the adjacent garden. Due to these defects and their likely impact on the future of the tree it is recommended that the tree is felled.

RECOMMENDATION

15. It is recommended that application is approved subject to the conditions set out below.

Conditions and/or reasons:

1. The tree works subject of this consent shall be carried out in accordance with British Standard BS 3998:1989 'Recommendations for Treework'.

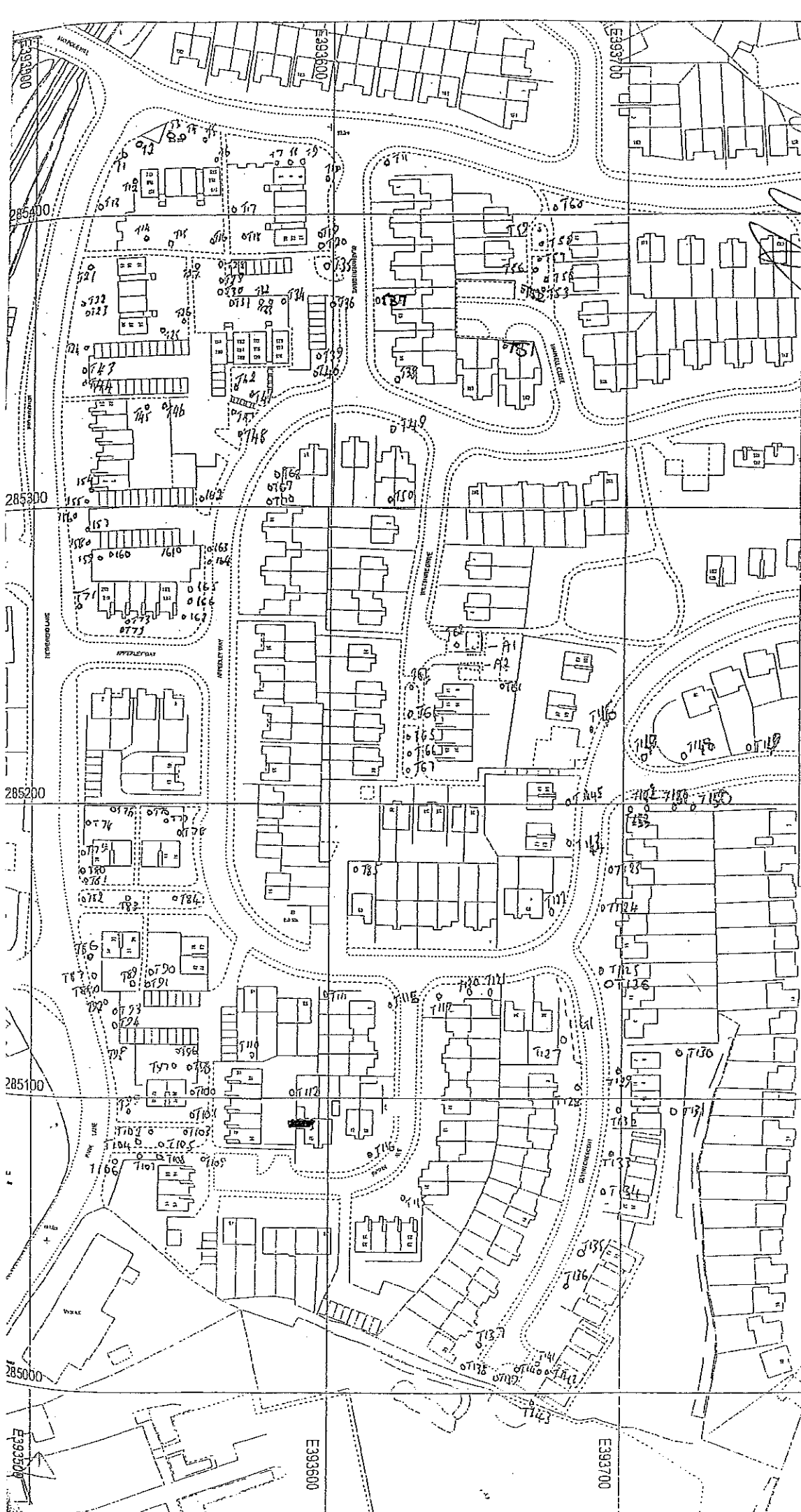


SCHEDULE 1

SPECIFICATION OF TREES

Reference on Map	Description	Situation
Trees specified individually		
(Circled in black on the plan)		
T1	Cherry	By electricity sub-station, junction of Netherend Lane/Maypole Hill
T2	Cherry	By electricity sub-station, junction of Netherend Lane/Maypole Hill
T3	Acer	By electricity sub-station, junction of Netherend Lane/Maypole Hill
T4	Acer	By electricity sub-station, junction of Netherend Lane/Maypole Hill
T5	Cherry	149/153 Maypole Hill
T6	Cherry	149/153 Maypole Hill
T7	Silver Birch	2-6 Blaenwern Drive
T8	Silver Birch	2-6 Blaenwern Drive
T9	Silver Birch	2-6 Blaenwern Drive
T10	Rowan	2-6 Blaenwern Drive
T11	Cherry	1 Blaenwern Drive
T12	Silver Birch	167-171 Maypole Hill
T13	Ash	167-171 Maypole Hill
T14	Silver Birch	167-171 Maypole Hill
T15	Silver Birch	167-171 Maypole Hill
T16	Cherry	167-171 Maypole Hill
T17	Silver Birch	8-12 Blaenwern Drive
T18	Cherry	20-24 Blaenwern Drive
T19	Cherry	20-24 Blaenwern Drive
T20	Cherry	20-24 Blaenwern Drive
T21	Cherry	44-48 Netherend Lane
T22	London Plane	32-36 Netherend Lane
T23	Cherry	32-36 Netherend Lane
T24	Cherry	32-36 Netherend Lane
T25	Silver Birch	26-30 Netherend Lane
T26	Silver Birch	26-30 Netherend Lane
T27	London Plane	Open Space, Netherend Lane
T28	Cherry	Open Space, Netherend Lane
T29	Cherry	Open Space, Netherend Lane
T30	Cherry	Open Space, Netherend Lane
T31	Silver Birch	182-188 Apperley Way
T32	Cherry	172-180 Apperley Way
T33	Silver Birch	172-180 Apperley Way
T34	Cherry	170-178 Apperley Way
T35	Cherry	20-24 Blaenwern Drive
T36	Cherry	20-24 Blaenwern Drive

T37	Silver Birch	11 Blaenwern Drive
T38	Silver Birch	19 Blaenwern Drive
T39	Cherry	170-178 Apperley Way
T40	Cherry	170-178 Apperley Way
T41	London Plane	172-180 Apperley Way
T42	London Plane	182-188 Apperley Way
T43	Cherry	Open Space, Netherend Lane
T44	Cherry	Open Space, Netherend Lane
T45	Silver Birch	22/24 Netherend Lane
T46	Silver Birch	22/24 Netherend Lane
T47	Cherry	Open Space, Apperley Way
T48	Cherry	Open Space, Apperley Way
T49	Cherry	1 Apperley Way
T50	Willow	3 Apperley Way
T51	Silver Birch	164 Apperley Way
T52	Silver Birch	Open Space, Mansell Close
T53	Silver Birch	Open Space, Mansell Close
T55	Silver Birch	Open Space, Mansell Close
T56	Silver Birch	Open Space, Mansell Close
T57	Silver Birch	Open Space, Mansell Close
T58	Silver Birch	Open Space, Mansell Close
T59	Silver Birch	Open Space, Mansell Close
T60	Eucalyptus	Open Space, Mansell Close
T61	London Plane	Car Park, Wiltshire Drive
T62	Cherry	Open Space, Wiltshire Drive
T63	Cherry	Open Space, Wiltshire Drive
T64	London Plane	Open Space, Wiltshire Drive
T65	Cherry	Open Space, Wiltshire Drive
T66	London Plane	Open Space, Wiltshire Drive
T67	Lime	Open Space, Wiltshire Drive
T68	Cherry	11 Apperley Way
T69	London Plane	11 Apperley Way
T70	Cherry	11 Apperley Way
T71	London Plane	208/210 Apperley Way
T72	Cherry	204/206 Apperley Way
T73	Cherry	204/206 Apperley Way
T74	Silver Birch	26/28 Apperley Way
T75	Silver Birch	22/24 Apperley Way
T76	Silver Birch	18/20 Apperley Way
T77	Silver Birch	14/16 Apperley Way
T78	Silver Birch	14/16 Apperley Way
T79	Silver Birch	26/28 Apperley Way
T80	Silver Birch	26/28 Apperley Way
T81	Silver Birch	26/28 Apperley Way
T82	London Plane	Open Space, Apperley Way
T83	Cherry	Open Space, Apperley Way
T84	Cherry	Open Space, Apperley Way
T85	Willow	53 Apperley Way
T86	Silver Birch	Open Space, Apperley Way
T87	Cherry	Open Space, Apperley Way



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T88	Cherry	Open Space, Apperley Way
T89	London Plane	34/36 Apperley Way
T90	Silver Birch	Open Space, Apperley Way
T91	Silver Birch	Open Space, Apperley Way
T92	Cherry	Open Space, Apperley Way
T93	Silver Birch	Open Space, Apperley Way
T94	Silver Birch	Open Space, Apperley Way
T95	Silver Birch	Open Space, Apperley Way
T96	Silver Birch	Open Space, Pippin Avenue
T97	Silver Birch	38/40 Pippin Avenue
T98	Silver Birch	38/40 Pippin Avenue
T99	Cherry	42/44 Pippin Avenue
T100	Silver Birch	38/40 Pippin Avenue
T101	Silver Birch	38/40 Pippin Avenue
T102	Horse Chestnut	Open Space, Pippin Avenue
T103	Cherry	Open Space, Pippin Avenue
T104	Horse Chestnut	Open Space, Pippin Avenue
T105	Cherry	Open Space, Pippin Avenue
T106	Cherry	Open Space, Pippin Avenue
T107	Cherry	Open Space, Pippin Avenue
T108	Cherry	Open Space, Pippin Avenue
T109	Silver Birch	Open Space, Pippin Avenue
T110	Silver Birch	46 Apperley Way
T111	Silver Birch	2 Pippin Avenue
T112	Silver Birch	30/32 Pippin Avenue
T113	Silver Birch	22/24 Pippin Avenue
T115	Cherry	23/25 Pippin Avenue
T116	Cherry	10 Pippin Avenue
T118	Cherry	2 Pippin Avenue
T119	Catalpa(?)	1 Pippin Avenue
T120	Silver Birch	1 Pippin Avenue
T121	Silver Birch	1 Pippin Avenue
T122	Silver Birch	69 Apperley Way
T123	Whitebeam	64 Apperley Way
T124	Unknown	62 Apperley Way
T125	Cherry	1 Glynn Crescent
T126	Cherry	1 Glynn Crescent
T127	Silver Birch	56 Apperley Way
T128	Silver Birch	2 Glynn Crescent
T129	Cherry	9-11 Glynn Crescent
T130	Sycamore	5-7 Glynn Crescent
T131	London Plane	15-21 Glynn Crescent
T132	Cherry	15-21 Glynn Crescent
T133	Cherry	23-29 Glynn Crescent
T134	Cherry	31-37 Glynn Crescent
T135	Cherry	41-47 Glynn Crescent
T136	Cherry	49-55 Glynn Crescent
T137	Silver Birch	28 Glynn Crescent
T138	Silver Birch	30 Glynn Crescent
T139	Cherry	Open Space, Glynn Crescent

T140	Cherry	69-71 Glynn Crescent
T141	Cherry	65-67 Glynn Crescent
T142	Cherry	65-67 Glynn Crescent
T143	Sycamore	69-71 Glynn Crescent
T144	Cherry	71-77 Apperley Way
T145	Willow	79-85 Apperley Way
T146	Cherry	87-89 Apperley Way
T147	Cherry	Open Space, Apperley Way
T148	Willow	70 Apperley Way
T149	Willow	72 Apperley Way
T150	Silver Birch	68 Apperley Way
T151	Silver Birch	68 Apperley Way
T152	Silver Birch	68 Apperley Way
T153	Cherry	68 Apperley Way
T154	Sycamore	2-4 Netherend Lane
T155	Cherry	2-4 Netherend Lane
T156	Lime	Open Space, Netherend Lane
T157	Lime	Open Space, Netherend Lane
T158	Sycamore	Open Space, Netherend Lane
T159	Silver Birch	Open Space, Netherend Lane
T160	Cherry	208/210 Apperley Way
T161	Silver Birch	192/194 Apperley Way
T162	Cherry	Open Space, Apperley Way
T163	Lime	Open Space, Apperley Way
T164	Lime	Open Space, Apperley Way
T165	Cherry	192/4 Apperley Way
T166	Cherry	192/4 Apperley Way
T167	Cherry	192/4 Apperley Way

Groups of trees

(Within the broken line on the plan)

G1	Group of 16 Cupressus	56 Apperley Way
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Trees specified by reference to an area

(Within the dotted line on the plan)

A1	Area of Hawthorn Hedge	Open Space, Wiltshire Drive
A2	Area of Hawthorn Hedge	Open Space, Wiltshire Drive

Woodlands

(Within the continuous line on the plan)

None