

# TREE SURVEY SCHEDULE

12 Forest Mews  
Horsham  
West Sussex  
RH12 4GG

February 2026

## Notes for the Tree Schedule

This schedule is based on a tree survey carried out in accordance with the recommendations of British Standard, BS 5837 (2012) "Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction - Recommendations" ('BS 5837') by Michael Roberts on Thursday, the 5th February 2026. Weather conditions at the time were overcast with persistent rain. Deciduous trees were not in leaf.

The information contained in this schedule reflects the condition of the trees at the time of the survey, based on visual inspection from the ground only; they were not climbed, and no internal investigations were undertaken. A BS 5837 survey for planning or development purposes is not a detailed tree hazard or risk survey. As such, no guarantee is given as to the structural integrity or safety of any trees included.

As trees are dynamic organisms and subject to continual growth and change, no dimensions expressed in this schedule may be relied upon for development planning purposes for more than 24 months from the date of survey. Estimated dimensions are marked 'est'.

1. **No.:** Expressed in sequential order starting from number 1 – woodlands, groups & hedges are prefixed as W, G, & H respectively.
2. **Species:** The common name as given in "Collins Tree Guide", Johnson & More (2004).
3. **Height:** Estimated with the aid of a 'Disto' laser rangefinder and expressed in metres, to the nearest metre.
4. **Trunk Diameter:** Measured at 1.5m above ground level and expressed in millimetres to the nearest 10mm; where multiple stems are present they are measured individually, and an aggregated equivalent single trunk diameter is calculated in accordance with BS 5837, in order to derive the tree's root protection area ('RPA').
5. **Radial Crown Spread:** Distance in metres from the centre of the trunk to the outermost edge of the crown at each cardinal point of the compass, rounded up to the nearest half metre; or in the case of uniform or symmetrical crowns, the average distance from the centre of the trunk to the outermost edge of the crown.
6. **Crown Clearance:** Mean height, in metres, from adjacent ground level to the lowest point of the live crown.
7. **Height to First Branch:** Height, in metres, of the first significant branch (>100mm diameter), or to crown break from ground level.
8. **Life Stage:** Young, Semi-mature, Mature, Over-mature, Veteran/Ancient.
9. **Physiology:** The tree's health and vigour in comparison to a typical specimen of the same species and age: Good, Average, Below average, Poor, Dead.
10. **Structure:** The tree's structural condition based on assessment of any visible roots, and of its trunk, main branches and crown, noting the presence of any obvious defects or decay: Good, Average, Below average, Poor, Hazardous.
11. **Landscape Value:** An assessment of the tree's visual importance in the local landscape in its present context: High, Moderate, Low, Nil.
12. **Estimated Years:** Estimate of the tree's likely remaining contribution expressed in years: <10, 10-20, 20-40, 40+.
13. **Comments:** Notes relating to the tree's health and condition, structure and form, estimated life expectancy and importance within the local landscape; including notes of any restrictions to access for inspection, presence of potential habitat features (natural or artificial), or other significant observations.
14. **Category:** - A rating given to trees based on Table 1 in BS 5837, summarised below:

Category 'U' - Trees in such a condition that any existing 'U' value would be lost within 10 years and which should, in the current context, be removed for reasons of sound arboricultural management.

Category 'A' - Trees of high quality and value; in such a condition as to be able to make a substantial contribution (normally a minimum of 40 years).

Category 'B' - Trees of moderate quality and value; those in such a condition as to make a significant contribution (normally a minimum of 20 years).

Category 'C' - Trees of low quality and value; currently in adequate condition to remain until new planting could be established (normally a minimum of 10 years), or young trees with a stem diameter below 150mm.

Sub-categories (where appropriate); 1 – Mainly arboricultural qualities: 2 – Mainly landscape qualities: 3 – Mainly cultural values, including conservation.

No.	Species	Height	Trunk Dia.	Radial Crown Spread	Crown Clearance	Height to 1st Branch	Life Stage	Physiology	Structure	Landscape Value	Est. Years	Comments	Category
1	English Oak	19m	800mm est	N6m E9m S7m W8.5m	9m	4m	Mature	Below average	Below average	High	40+	Off-site tree; twin-stemmed from 2m; many non-occluded pruning wounds on trunk; crown has been severely lifted in past; crown has been heavily reduced or "topped" in past.	B (1)
2	Holly	5m	200mm	1m	2.5m	2.5m	Semi-mature	Average	Below average	Low	20-40	Twin-stemmed from 2m; growing from an old sycamore stump; of limited potential.	C (12)
3	Holly	6.5m	165mm 150mm	N1.5m E1.5m S1.5m W1.5m NW2m	2.5m	2.5m	Semi-mature	Average	Average	Low	20-40	Twin stemmed from base; of moderate quality, but currently of low value due to small size.	C (1)
4	English Oak	18.5m	755mm	N9m E8m S9m SW11m W9m	N7m E7m S7m SW5m W7m	5.5m SW	Mature	Average	Average	High	40+	Crown has been lifted in past; many non-occluded pruning wounds on trunk; crown has been reduced in the past; no significant structural defects found at time of survey; good example of species.	B (12)
5	Beech	6.5m	300mm est	N3m E3m S3m W3m	2m	2m	Semi-mature	Average	Below average	Low	20-40	Off-site tree; historically topped and retained as screening; of limited potential.	C (12)
6	Scots Pine	17m	275mm est 150mm est 375mm est	4m	7.5m	5.5m	Semi-mature	Average	Below average	Moderate	20-40	Off-site tree; three stemmed; drawn-up specimen; at risk of failure if companion shelter removed.	B (2)
G1	Lawson Cypress and Yew	Min 3m Max 6.5m	Min 75mm Max 200mm est	N2m E2.5m S2m W3.5m	2m	2m	Semi-mature	Average	Average	Low	10-20	Off-site group of trees; of only low-level screening value.	C (12)