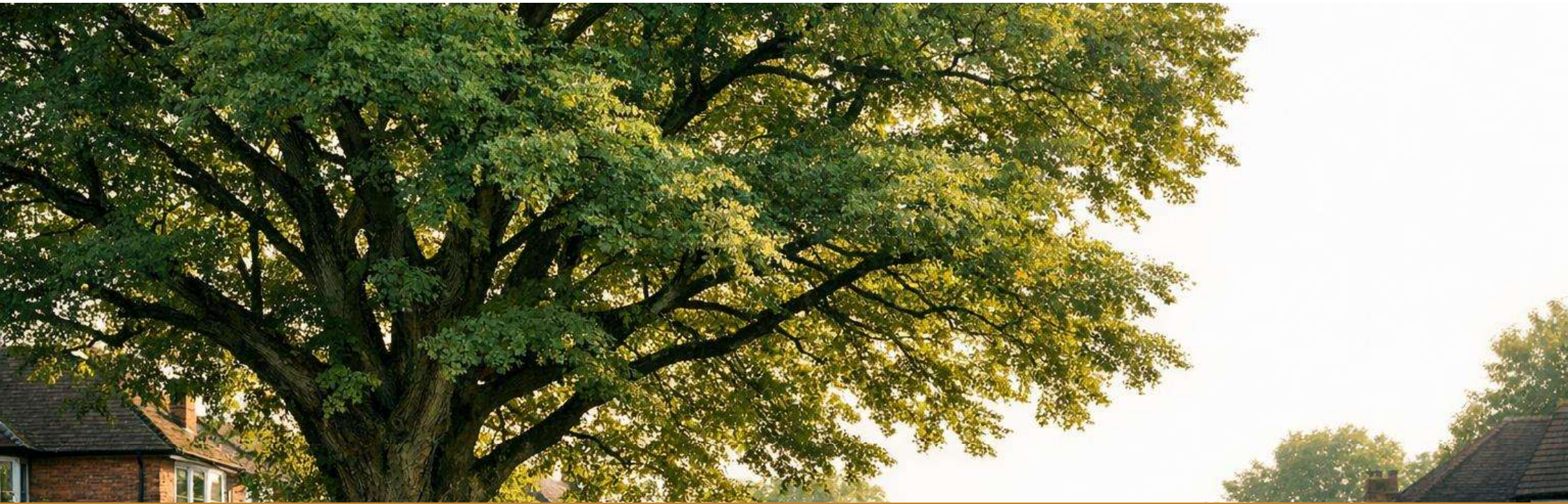




LOCAL PLANNING APPLICATION – REQUIREMENTS TO VALIDATE APPLICATION

Application for Work on Protected Trees 14 Fletchers, Southwater, RH13 9BE

HDC Reference DC/26/0871

Prepared for the consideration of Horsham District Council, 12/06/2026

Submission of Requirements

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The original proposal and this submission have been supported by Simon Parsons, a local arborist who is familiar with Smith’s Copse.

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Full Tree Measurements for 3x Oaks	Finished Tree Dimensions for 2x Oak Surgery	Justification for Surgery	Justification for 1x Oak Felling
Species, size, location, branch and canopy dimensions	Proposed Dimensions following Crown Raising	Why Crown Raising should be permitted	Why Felling is judged to be appropriate

Step 01 Conclusion

Full measurements of each tree prior to proposed modification has been provided, including current branch length and variation or length across cardinal directions

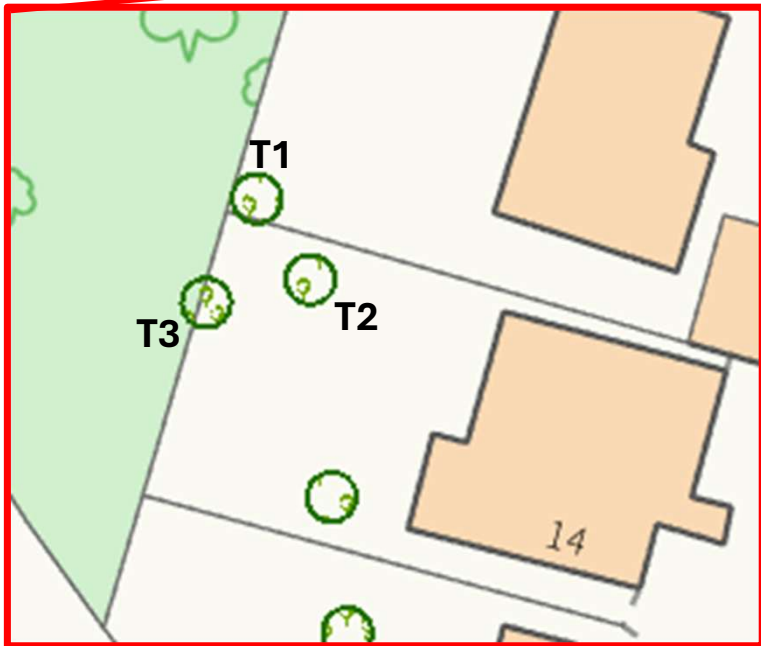
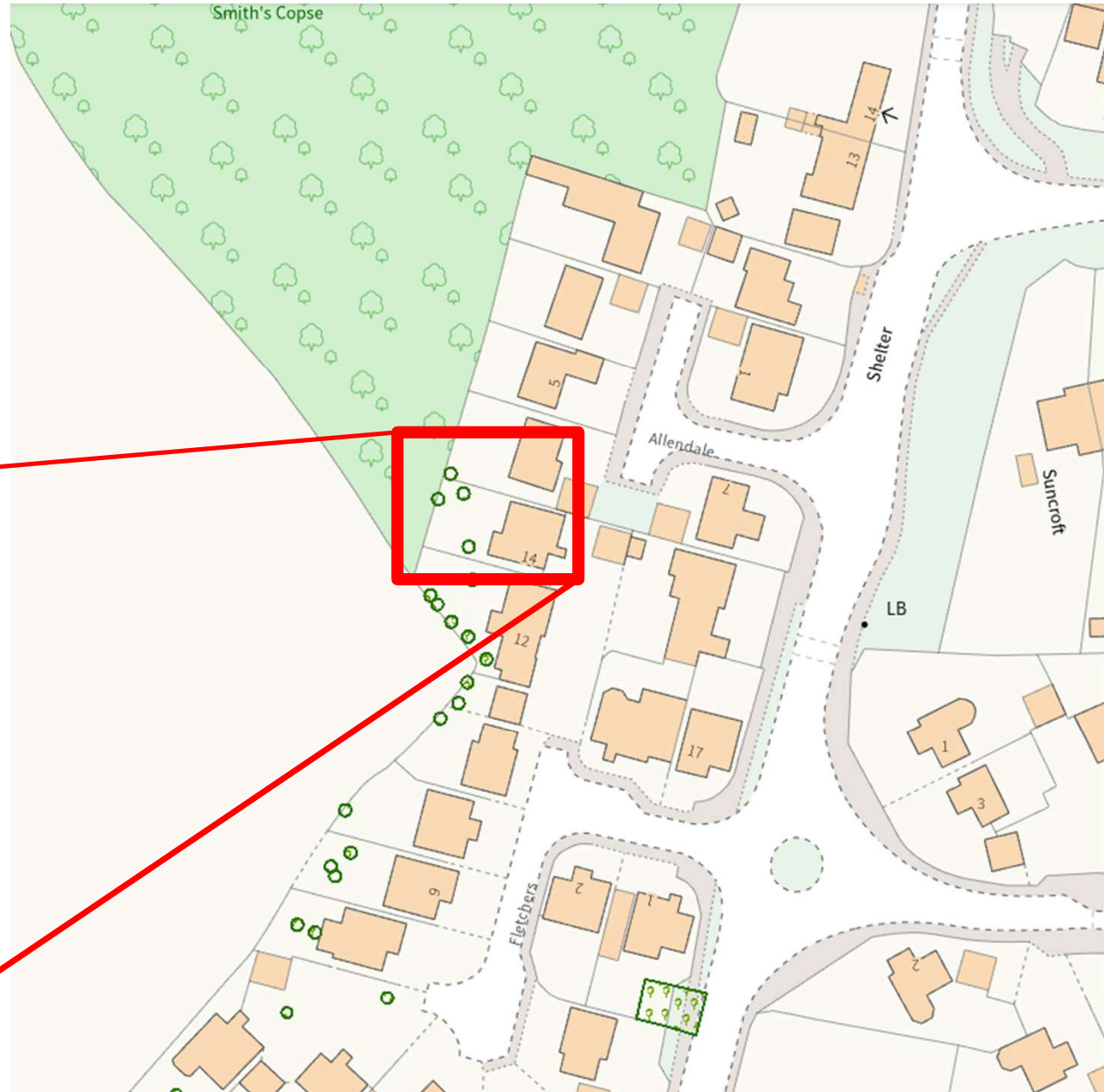
EXTANT TREE MEASUREMENTS

Overview

Screenshot taken from the HDC Tree Preservation Order Mapping website @12:04 on 12/06/2026

Please note that T1 falls **inside** the property boundary of No. 14 Fletchers and not within No. 6 Allendale as suggested by the Mapping Website

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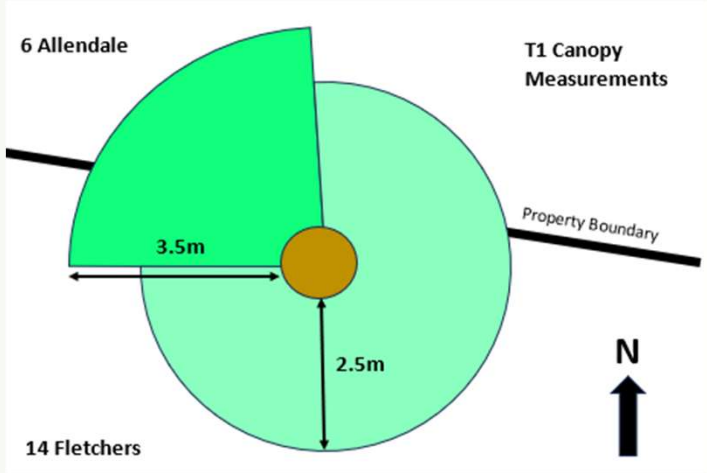
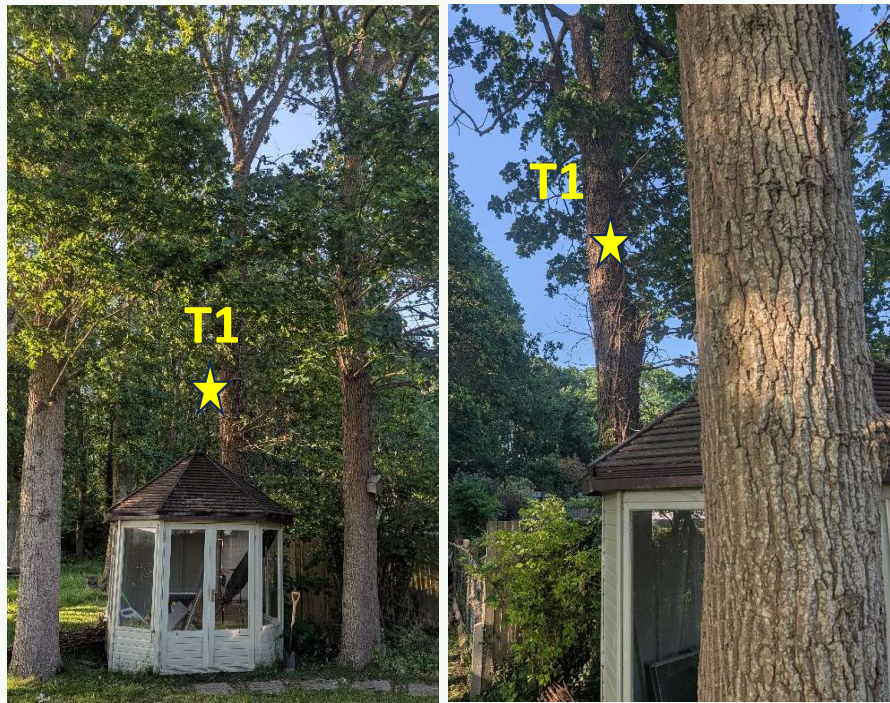
EXTANT TREE MEASUREMENTS

Tree Summary T1-Oak

Tree numbering is placed on TPO/0598

REFERENCE	T1-Oak — mature oak tree
LOCATION	Back Garden of 14 Fletchers, situated on the north face of the property approximately 11m from the property and <0.5m from the border with No. 6 Allendale.
WORKS	Proposed Felling of T1
CURRENT TREE HEIGHT	~40m
LOWEST BRANCH HEIGHT	4m
CANOPY DIMENSIONS	Branch length 3.5m E to N (inner angle) 2.5m branch length in all other directions. Refer to illustration →

NOTE: T1 was denoted as ‘Tree 3’ on the original application



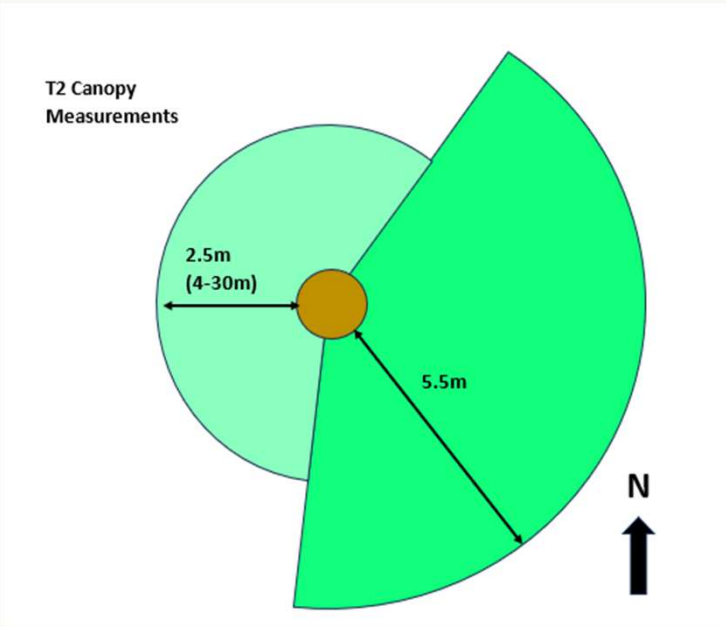
EXTANT TREE MEASUREMENTS

Tree Summary T2-Oak

Tree numbering is placed on TPO/0598

REFERENCE	T2-Oak — mature oak tree
LOCATION	Back Garden of 14 Fletchers, situated on the north face of the property approximately 9m from the property and <1.5m from the border with No. 6 Allendale.
WORKS	Crown Lifting of T2
CURRENT TREE HEIGHT	~40m
LOWEST BRANCH HEIGHT	4m
CANOPY DIMENSIONS	Branch length 5.5m S to NE (inner angle) 2.5m branch length in all other directions Refer to illustration →

NOTE: T2 was denoted as ‘Tree 1’ on the original application



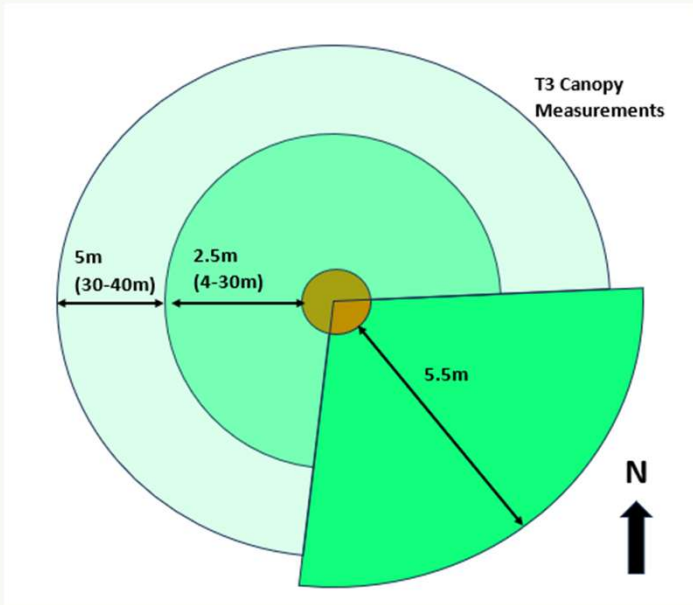
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Tree Summary T3-Oak

Tree numbering is placed on TPO/0598

REFERENCE	T3-Oak — mature oak tree
LOCATION	Back Garden of 14 Fletchers, situated on the north face of the property approximately 12m from the property and 3m from the border with No. 6 Allendale.
WORKS	Crown Lifting of T3
CURRENT TREE HEIGHT	~40m
LOWEST BRANCH HEIGHT	4m
CANOPY DIMENSIONS	Branch length 5.5m S to E (inner angle) 2.5m branch length in all other directions extending closer to 5m near the treetop (30-40m). Refer to illustration →

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Full Tree Measurements for 3x Oaks

Species, size, location, branch and canopy dimensions

02

Finished Tree Dimensions for 2x Oak Surgery

Proposed Dimensions following Crown Raising

03

Justification for Surgery

Why Crown Raising should be permitted

04

Justification for 1x Oak Felling

Why Felling is judged to be appropriate

Step 02 Conclusion

Proposed measurements for each tree nominated for surgery have been provided

PROPOSED TREE MODIFICATIONS

Crown Lift T2-Oak

Dimension	Extant	Proposed
Height	40m	No change
Canopy	5.5m S to NE (inner angle) 2.5m branch length in all other directions	No change
Lowest Branch Height	4m	10m

Crown Lift T3-Oak

Dimension	Extant	Proposed
Height	40m	No change
Canopy	Branch length 5.5m S to E (inner angle) 2.5m branch length in all other directions extending closer to 5m near the treetop (30-40m)	No change
Lowest Branch Height	4m	10m

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Step 03 Conclusion

Detailed justification for Crown Raising of 2x Oaks has been provided

Justification

1

Increased Natural Light on Property

Retains light into the garden for personal and environmental benefit as Smith's Copse provides a dense canopy. This allows the lawn and shrubs to receive sun.

2

Clearance from Property on 14 Fletchers

The Summer House and Fencing between 14 Fletchers and 6 Allendale will be impacted by long term development of lower branches

3

Aesthetics

Proposal supports the aesthetic of the surrounding area and natural views for Fletchers and Allendale residents overlooking Smiths Copse and surrounding countryside.

Impact

The resulting impact of the crown lift is judged to be negligible. The 2x Oak trees will contain the majority of their canopy thus protecting the long-term health of the trees.

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Step 04 Conclusion

Detailed justification for felling of a single oak tree has been provided.

JUSTIFICATION FOR FELLING 1X OAK

Justification

1

Increased Natural Light on Property

Retains light into the garden for personal and environmental benefit as Smith's Copse provides a dense canopy. This allows the lawn and shrubs to receive sun.

2

Removal of nuisance for 6 Allendale

The residents of 6 Allendale have expressed a preference to fell the single oak due to the large volume of dead branches, leaves, acorns and other detritus that causes significant nuisance.

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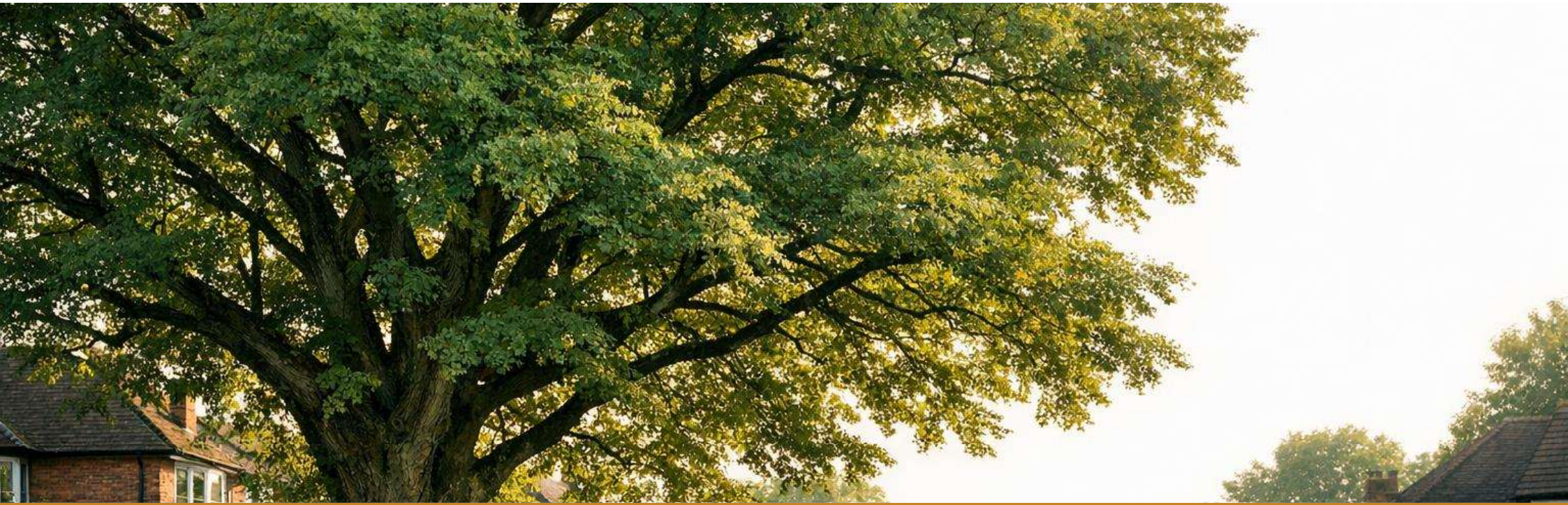
Protects the boundary between 14 Fletchers and 6 Allendale

Any further growth increases the circumference of the tree or extending root growth could impact on the property bordering fence due to the close proximity of the tree to the boundary.

Impact

The most significant impact is loss of a tree under a TPO.

The impact for the nearby two Oaks (T2 and T3) is beneficial as there will be greater room to extend their upper canopies, therefore retaining the overall aesthetic and environment for wildlife.



Thank you for your consideration