

7. Identification of Tree and Description of Works

Works to oak tree T42.

I have referred the condition and situation of this tree to Will Jones, Arboricultural Officer, Horsham District Council and this Application has been submitted after his guidance.

This is the smallest of the four oaks on my property, and of rather indifferent form. It also has some deadwood in the crown hanging over Winterpit Lane, and it would be in my interests to have this removed, as it could be seen as a foreseeable nuisance, leaving me exposed legally should it fall and strike a car or person. Its crown is sparse, and it exhibits a measure of dieback.

The tree has a rather asymmetric crown, of poor form, some branches additionally being within close proximity to our house. It also has an area of protrusion over the adjacent lane, high in the canopy; deadwood being within this sector of the crown. Hence, I request that this tree is given an all-over crown reduction, to include the removal of deadwood and a re-shaping and balancing of the crown, which will deal with the two problems.

- Crown reduce tree to secondary crown by approximately 20%, reducing overall height from 14m to 11m, re-shaping crown to produce a more compact and balanced profile.
- Crown lift to 5m above ground level, all round, by removing epicormic growth to trunk.
- Remove all deadwood.