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Elms Farm, Govilon

The trees at Elms Farm were last professionally surveyed in 2008. All of the trees mentioned below were identified at this time as being of Middle Age or Mature and two were recommended to be felled. Over the last few years we have lost a significant number of limbs from most of the trees due to their poor condition and the weight of fruit at the end of the summer. We would like to reduce the crown and thin all of the trees (specifics below) in line with good horticultural management to prolong the lifespan of the remaining trees. Since we have lived at the property we have planted in excess of an additional 25 trees. We have had the apples assessed by 'The People's Trust for Endangered Species', as part of the 'Traditional Orchard Project'. None were found to be of significant or endangered variety. We have also had the apples assessed by local producers and again they are not felt to be of a quality that can be used in the manufacture of apple produce.

Tree Number	Species	Work Proposed	Photo
1804	Pear	50% crown reduction to reduce weight. 20% crown thinning. Tree is close to neighbouring property and they have expressed concern at its condition.	
1805	Apple	Cable runs through top of crown. 50% crown reduction. 20% crown thinning.	
1806	Apple	50% crown reduction to reduce weight. 20% crown thinning.	

1807	Pear	20% crown reduction to reduce weight and remove dead wood. (Felling recommended in 2008)	
1809	Apple	50% crown reduction to reduce weight and 20% crown thinning.	
1812	Apple	20% crown reduction and 20% crown thinning.	
1813	Pear	Fell. Directly underneath power cable. Condition of tree very poor. Replace with new tree in alternative location.	
1816	Apple	Underneath power cable. 20% reduction to end limbs and 20% crown thinning.	

1817	Apple	Fell and replace with new apple tree.	
1818	Apple	Fell. Recommended to be felled in 2008 report and remains in poor condition. To replace with new fruit tree in different location.	
1820	Apple	50% reduction of westerly limb to reduce end weight and balance crown. 25% crown reduction.	
1824	Apple	Fell. Had been suggested by Tree Officer during site meeting in 2011 to take down but we tried to retain. Has recently lost multiple branches in storm. Tree report of 2008 suggested only had approximately 20 years left.	