

15 Sandstone Avenue
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Dear Sarah/Andrew,

Tree Preservation Order No 174 1997

Following our recent conversation about the ash tree, (ref. T7 on the above TPO) we would like to support your application to prune/shape/remove this tree.

As we understand it, this tree is weak and suffering from "Ash Dieback". The main trunk is not vertical, leaning 10 -15degrees in the direction of the predominant westerly winds. I have seen this progressing over the 32 years that I have lived here. Without any action, it is only a matter of time before this tree causes damage to adjoining houses, hedges, property and possibly residents.

I feel that either the crown needs to be lowered, the canopy lifted and a more balanced shape created in order to reduce this risk.

In order to carry out such work, it is obvious that a tree surgeon might want access to the tree from our garden. No problem – permission granted.

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Keith Hale