

# Tree Assessment Schedule

Client: Mrs V Venton  
 Ref/Site: 9 Frouds Close, Hook, RG27 9NE  
 Date: 2023.11.28  
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TPO / Conservation area trees work is **red**: consent required

Priority: **Urgent**- Immediate; **High**- within 2 months; **Medium**- within 12 months; **Low**- No timescale/good practice/management advice

\*NOTE: Remove poorly attached deadwood: deadwood is a valuable habitat that can persist on some species for decades, and must be retained if possible. Where included, this specification requires the arborist's judgment and applies to all deadwood over 25mm diameter.

This report refers to the condition of the tree(s) and property on the day of the survey. The trees were assessed from ground level only. The assessment of tree health/condition is based on a standard industry-accepted method of Visual Assessment (VTA). No invasive or destructive tests were undertaken and no soil or root samples were analysed off-site. Trees are dynamic organisms and their condition can change rapidly due to circumstances such as (but not limited to) other extreme weather such as drought, accidents/vandalism, pests and diseases and nearby building & maintenance works. It is recommended that any significant trees are inspected professionally on a regular basis and, where safety issues have been raised, annual inspections are typically recommended. I cannot be held liable for any tree or branch failures arising from changed circumstances.

Ref	Species	Stem Diameter (est cm)	Height (est m)	Survey Notes	Recommendations*	Reassess	Priority
01	Pedunculate Oak ( <i>Quercus robur</i> )	104	22	Very large and dominant specimen growing in rear garden. Pronounced buttress rooting to the north with slight indentation to lawn running east-west to the south (consistent with a historic boundary ditch). No obvious signs of movement or instability. No obvious fungal fruiting bodies or decay at stem base. Stem appears clean and free from obvious risk features as do scaffold limbs and principal branches. There are three historic pruning wounds on the stem at approximately 4.5 m which appear to be sealing over well. Scattered deadwood throughout. Branch spread is a consistent 10 m in radius. Branch tips and reiteration all appear consistent with good physiological function as does the density and distribution of buds. Tree is starting to outgrow the comparatively small rear garden and is now overhanging the roof and conservatory.	Remove poorly attached deadwood. Reduce the crown spread from 10 m to no less than 7 m ensuring that all cuts are to an appropriate side branch no less than 1/3 the diameter of the parent branch. The reason for this work is to contain the tree within the comparatively small domestic garden space.	2.5 years	Medium