

**TREE CONDITION REPORT ON**  
**SYCAMORE TREE,**  
**VILLNEUVE,**  
**TRELOYHAN MANOR DRIVE,**  
**ST IVES**  
**TR26 2AN**

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Assessment.**

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## **INTRODUCTION**

I have been asked to prepare a report with regard to T1, a large sycamore (*Acer pseudoplatanus*) tree at Villeneuve with a cluster of what appear to Honey Fungus (*Armillaria* sp.) fruiting bodies at the base of the tree and with white mycelia and cambial dysfunction consistent with Honey Fungus colonization.

## **OBSERVATIONS**

The fruiting bodies were degraded at the time of inspection but are consistent with Honey Fungus with a shaggy ring around each stalk. There were white mycelia present and the area from which the fruiting bodies emanate has dysfunctional cambium with decay.

The tree is generally in reasonable condition physiologically and structurally but the presence of the fruiting bodies at the base of the tree means that the mycelia of the fungi are active within the tree and probably within the rooting zone in particular. The extent of any root degradation is not possible to determine. My professional opinion is that the generally good condition of the tree physiologically and the fact that this is the first time fruiting bodies have been noticed on the tree make it likely that degradation is not extensive at this point in time.

This is a very large tree growing adjacent to the owner's dwelling. Whilst I do not consider the tree's stability to represent an urgent risk of failure the prognosis for the tree is increased root and cambial degradation which will start to significantly degrade the stability of this tree.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1.1 Remove T1 within 12 months.



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**APPENDIX A – Photos**

**The two Lawsons Cypress trees creating a joint canopy.**



**Picture 1**

**T1 Large landscape specimen in generally good condition.**





**Picture 2**

**Remains of fruiting bodies with degraded bark and cambium and peripheral decay associated with point of emergence and just above.**





**Picture 3**

**Fungal brackets at base of tree and tree in relation to buildings.**