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26th January 2024

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Beamish
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Co Durham
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Arboricultural statement

The following arboricultural statement makes recommendations for tree work at the above location.

Trees parallel to the road

1. Sycamore This tree grows close to the adjacent well used road and has branches overhanging the adjacent overhead power lines. It has a history of shedding branches – as shown on the debris at the base of the tree on the below picture. It is in a quite exposed location – the following work will reduce the wind sail area of the tree reducing the chance of further large branch failure. This will both protect road users and reduce the chance of branched affecting the power supply to local houses if branched damaged the line.



Work required Crown reduce and reshape by 3m, crown clean to remove major deadwood and failed/hanging branches. Aerially inspect the crown

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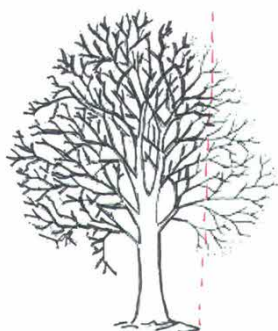
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2. Cherry

Crown lean to remove major deadwood and snapped/hanging branches. Prune back limb over gravelled area to secondary branch as marked below – this is an end weighted limb and disproportionately sticks out from the overall crown



Crown clearance



Crown clearance is the pruning back or the removal of branches that are encroaching towards an object such as a building/structure/lawn by a given amount. Good practice dictates crown lifting should not normally include the removal of large branches growing directly from the trunk as this can cause large wounds which can become extensively decayed leading to further long term problems or more short term instability. Crown clearance should be specified with reference to a fixed point, e.g. 'crown clear or prune back by 4m'.

Crown reduction



The reduction in height and/or spread of the crown (the foliage bearing portions) of a trees. Crown reduction may be used to activate mechanical stress on individual branches or the whole tree, make the tree more suited to its immediate environment or to reduce the effects of shading and light loss, etc. The final result should retain the main framework of the crown, and so a significant proportion of the leaf bearing structure and leave a similar, although smaller outline, and not necessarily achieve symmetry for its own sake. Crown reduction cuts should be as small as possible and in general not exceed 100mm diameter unless there is an over-riding need to do so. Reductions should be specified by actual measurements, where possible, and reflect the finished result, but may also refer to lengths of parts to be removed to aid clarity, e.g. 'crown reduce in height by 2.0m and lateral spread by 1.0m, all round, to finished crown dimensions of 18m in height by 11m in spread (all measurements approximate.)'. Not all species are suitable for this treatment and crown reduction should not be confused with 'topping', an indiscriminate and harmful treatment.

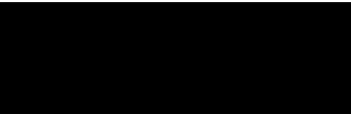
All tree work is to be undertaken in accordance with current good arboricultural practice and guidance.

We aim to maintain excellent customer service and would value any comment or suggestion on the services we provide.

Please send any comments or suggestions to info@oliverstreeservices.co.uk

I trust that you find the above satisfactory and look forward to hearing from you

Yours sincerely



Stephen Keene HNC Arb

Associates and sponsors

Olivers Tree Services Ltd are proud to sponsor Durham Roller Derby and Stanley FC and our chosen charity for 2024 is PACT House.



Durham Roller Derby is a woman's flat track roller derby team that was founded in 2014 and play their home games in Durham. Since then, the team has grown and developed representing Durham at games all over the United Kingdom.

Stanley Football Club was established in 2015 and they are a veteran men's side that play in the second division of the Sunderland and District Over 40's League. The team is an important attribute to the local community as it gives old players an outlet for some football, physical activity, mental wellbeing, team bonding as well as a social gathering.



PACT House located in Stanley, Co Durham is a hub for community access and to help to reduce issues such as isolation as well as supporting people with wellbeing and mental health problems,

as well as giving support to local people suffering from poverty and the cost-of-living crisis. This support comes from food packs and through low cost and free meals in the community café. The local community also has access to services such as internet, training, and information that people may need to improve their quality of life.

Our woodchip and off cut logs help supply energy to powerplants in the form of biomass fuel which is the reuse of a waste product as well as being classified as a renewable energy. Olivers Tree Services Ltd are committed to becoming a more environmentally sustainable and conscious organisation.



Over the last 42 years of being in business we have dedicated ourselves to giving work opportunities and training to young people through work experience, apprenticeship schemes and college work placements. This has been a success, and we now have qualified arboriculturists working in all sectors of our industry throughout the world.