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# ARBORICULTURAL REPORT

## TREE CONDITION SURVEY

CARRICK  
WARFIELD STREET  
WARFIELD  
BRACKNELL  
BERKSHIRE  
RG42 6AR

CLIENT: CLAIRE NEWMAN

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# 1. INTRODUCTION

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## 1.1 INSTRUCTION

This Arboricultural Report has been commissioned by Claire Newman, owner / occupier of Carrick, Warfield Street, Warfield, Bracknell, Berkshire, RG42 6AR. I have been asked to provide a report on the condition of one Beech Tree (T1) growing within the rear garden of the property.

The tree has been looked at in detail using the 'Diagnosis of Ill Health in trees' and Inspecting Trees for Signs of Decay' methodologies outlined by R.G. Strouts and T.G. Winter<sup>1</sup>. This visual assessment is a non-invasive method of examining the health and structural condition of an individual trees.

Non-invasive inspection equipment (mallet and metal probe) were used to make an assessment of the structural integrity at the base and trunk of the tree where the visual inspection identified the need. The lower stems of trees were tapped with a plastic-headed mallet to check for indications of internal decay. The differing sound intonation can often reveal some types of decay or hollow trunks. Any cavities in the base of the stem were probed with a steel rod to record depth and condition of residual wood.

The report is to specify any necessary remedial tree works which may be required to address identified hazards from the trees whilst acknowledging and respecting their local significance to the amenity and biodiversity of the wider landscape.

The report is for the sole use of the client and its reproduction or use by anyone else is forbidden unless written consent is given by the author.

## 1.2 INSPECTION INFORMATION

The tree was inspected on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2024. The weather was clear. Visibility was good.

For the purposes of this survey all dimensions of the tree and its associated parts are measured using a laser measure or clinometer where possible. Where access is restricted measurements have been visually estimated unless otherwise stated.

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<sup>1</sup> R.G Strouts & T.G. Winter, 'Diagnosis of Ill Health in Trees' Published for the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister, under licence from the Controller of her Majesty's Stationery Office, Crown Copyright 1994



### 1.3 QUALIFICATIONS

Surveyor: Sarah Duckworth

- Royal Forestry Society's Professional Diploma
- Arboricultural Association's Technicians Certificate (with Distinction)
- LANTRA qualified Professional Tree Inspector
- Arboricultural Association Professional Member
- QTRA Licensed User

### 1.4 INSURANCE

For your peace of mind, Duckworths Arboriculture Limited is insured with Hiscox Insurance:

- Public Liability £10,000,000
- Professional Indemnity £2,000,000

### 1.5 STATUTORY TREE PROTECTION

#### TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

I have confirmed on the Bracknell Forest Council website that trees in the area are protected by Area Tree Preservation Order TPO 382. I do not know the year the Order was served.

No works should be undertaken to protected trees without the prior written consent of the Local Planning Authority – exemptions apply.

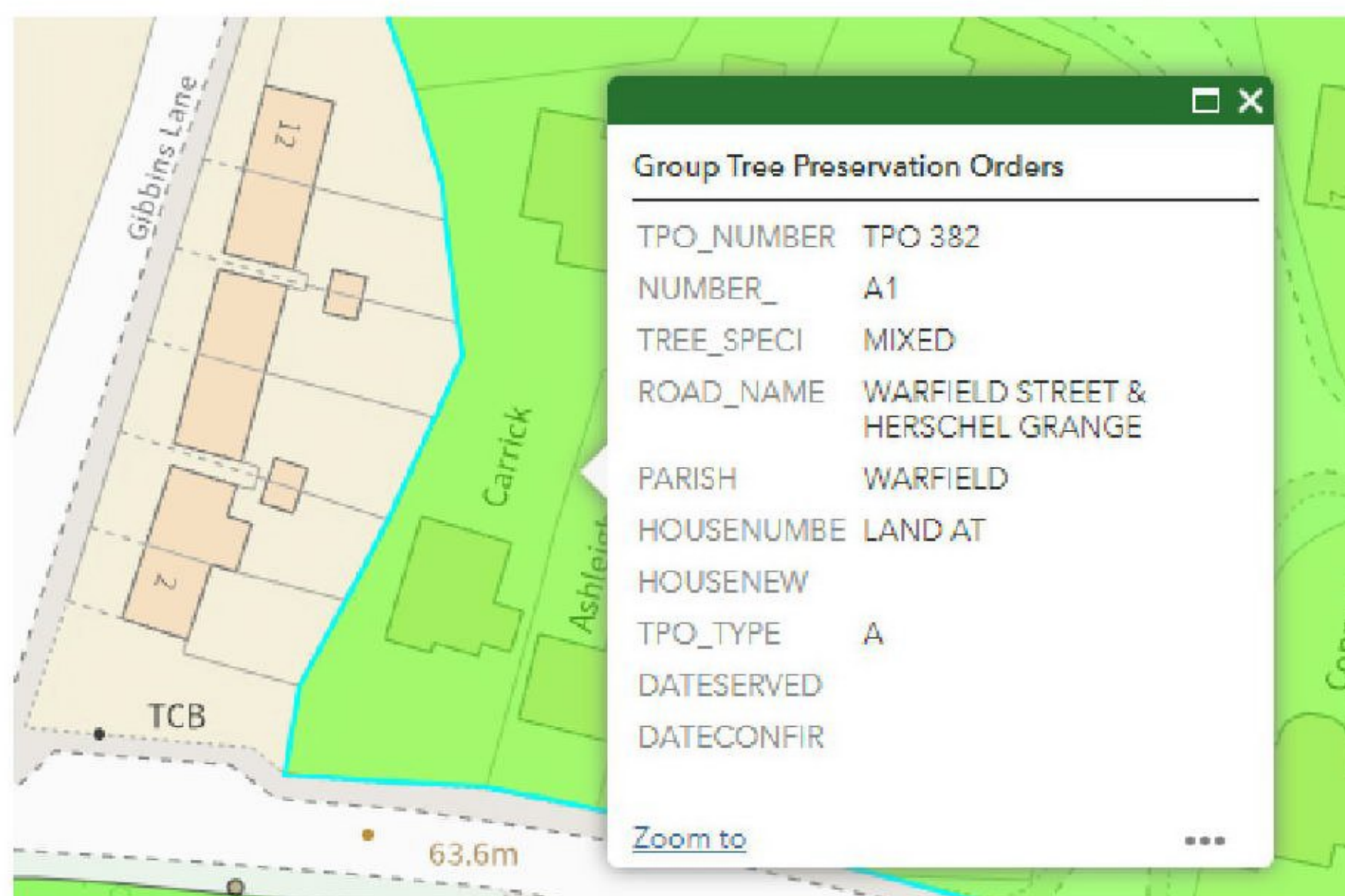


Figure 1 – Bracknell Forest Council TPO Map



## CONSERVATION AREAS

The property is not within a conservation area.

### **1.6 TREE WORK GOOD PRACTICE**

Where possible, recommended tree works should be undertaken in accordance with BS:3998 2010 'Tree Work Recommendations'.

Chippings arising from the work should not be piled around the bases of trees on or off the site. Wood, brash and any other arisings from the tree work should not be burnt on site.

When undertaking tree work, you are advised to use a properly qualified and experienced company will be employed who carry Public and Products Liability Insurance with a minimum of £2,000,000 cover and the relevant Employers Liability Insurance. A List of approved contractors is available from the Arboricultural Association – [www.trees.org.uk](http://www.trees.org.uk).

### **1.7 PROTECTED SPECIES**

In accordance with the Wildlife and Countryside Act - 1981, Conservation - Natural Habitats -Regulations 1994 and Countryside Rights of Way Act - 2000, you must consider the timing and type of and tree work operations including hedge pruning to avoid causing disturbance to any nesting or breeding birds or bat roosts that may be present within trees and hedgerows.

It is an offence (subject to exceptions) to intentionally kill, injure, or take, possess, or trade in any wild animal listed, and prohibits interference with places used for shelter or protection, or intentionally disturbing animals occupying such places.

Non-urgent major tree work involving tree removal or reduction and hedge cutting operations should not be undertaken during the bird nesting or breeding season, which is considered to be from 1 March to 31 July. However, depending on seasonal temperatures, some birds continue breeding into August and September.

All wild birds, their young, their eggs and active nests are protected under law. It is an offence to damage a nest intentionally while it is in use or being built. Tree work where birds are nesting is highly likely to damage nests or cause them to be deserted.





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## 2. ARBORICULTURAL INSPECTION DATA

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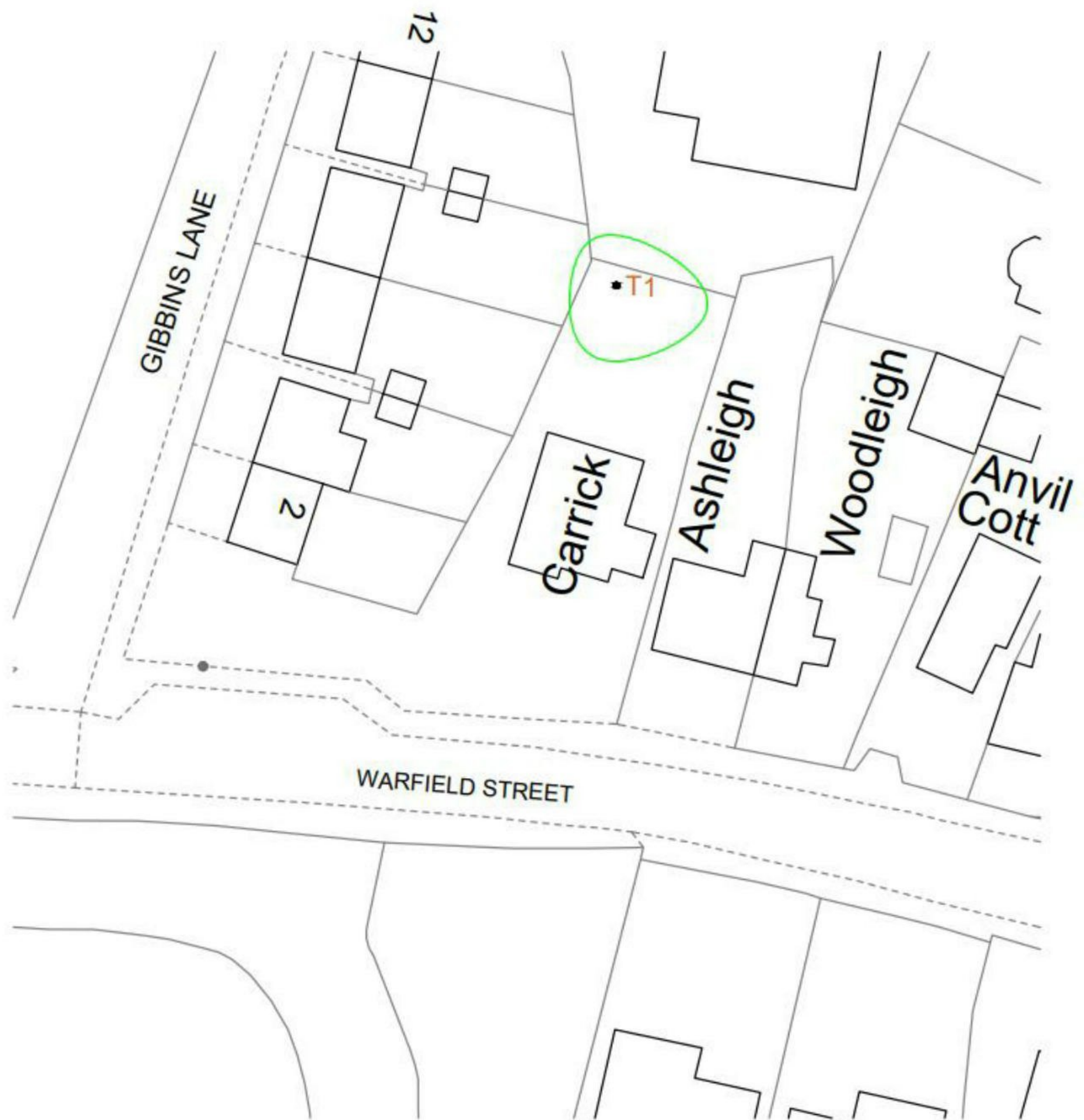
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### 3. SITE PLAN

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## 4. GALLERY

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Photo 1 – T1 - Beech.









Photo 4 – Earth at base of tree being pushed into low mound on compression side of trunk.



Photo 5 – Shifted roof of children's play fort.





Photo 6 – Fort legs now leaning off centre.

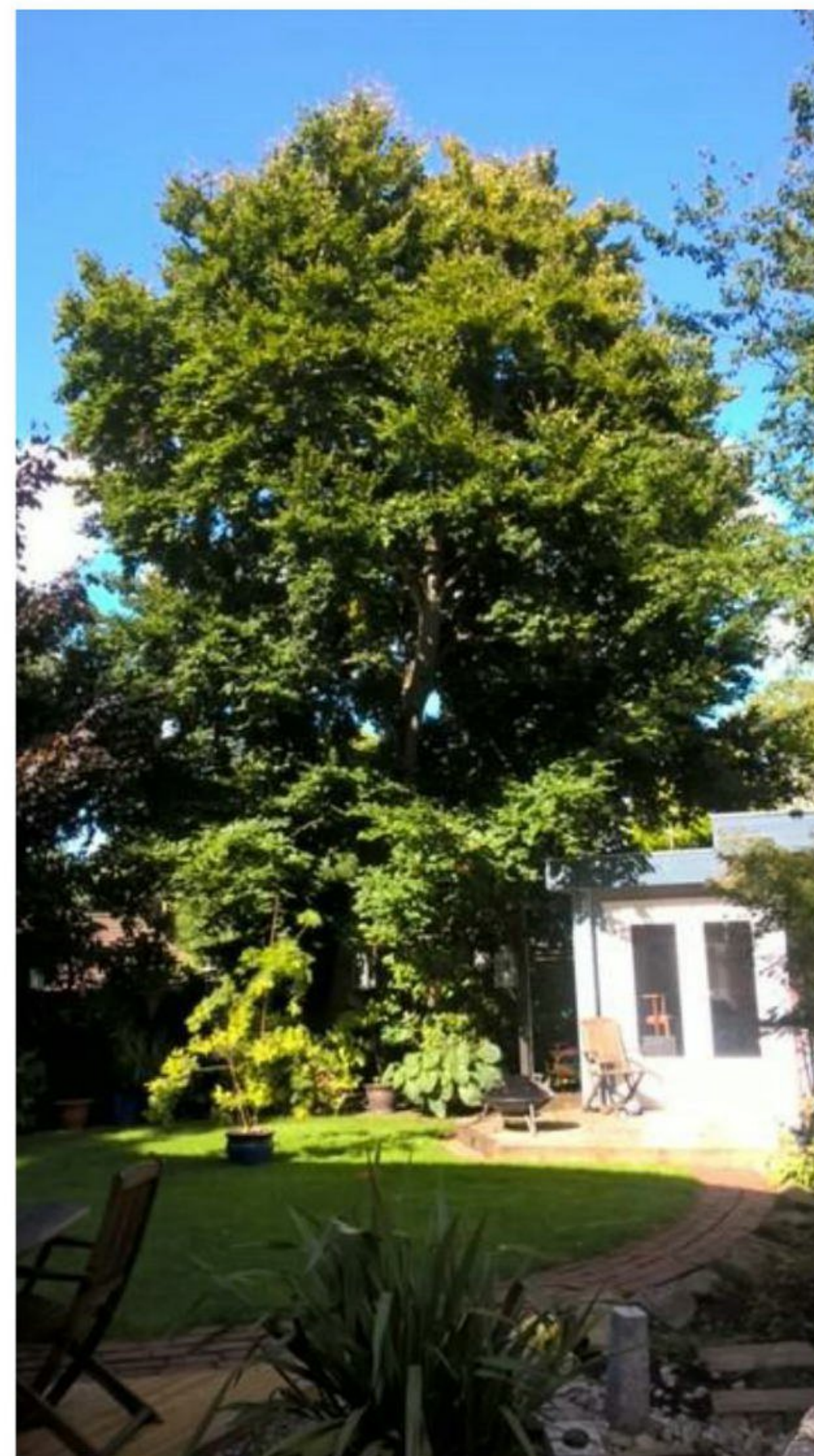


Photo 7 – Owner's photograph of Beech taken in 2017 – lean has now significantly increased.