



Arboricultural Impact Assessment for Land at Former Tudor Inn, Cimla

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1. **BRIEF**

I have been instructed by Mr. Richard Bowen of Asbri Planning to prepare an Arboricultural Impact Assessment (AIA) in relation to a proposed development at the former Tudor Inn, Cimla.

2. **TREE SURVEY AND PLAN**

The information within this document is based on the Treescene Tree Survey dated 30/05/24 and the attached Treescene AIA Plan 11/2024.

3. **TREES TO BE REMOVED**

a. Arboricultural Reasons

Trees T6, T7, T8, T9, T10, T11, G11A, T26, G27 and T28 are recommended for removal in the Tree Survey due to poor quality (U category). These are trees that exhibit significant structural defects (e.g. stem decay) or symptoms of disease such that their retention is not possible for safety reasons. It should be noted that these trees will require removal to safeguard the general public irrespective of any development proposals.

b. To Facilitate Development

Trees T14, T20, T22, G22A (part), T23, T24, G25, G29, T30, G31, T32, G33 and G34 are proposed for removal to accommodate the development layout. Most of the tree removal is required in order to create the site access.

These are all C category trees (low quality).

Trees to be removed are indicated on the attached Treescene AIA Plan 11/2024.

4. **TREE PRUNING**

Some of the trees to be retained contain structural defects/deadwood or may impede vehicle/pedestrian movements within the site. Works to improve tree safety or remove a potential source of nuisance are detailed in the Preliminary Management Recommendations within the Tree Survey. All pruning and felling/coppicing works are to be undertaken by suitably qualified and experienced Arboricultural Contractors working to BS3998:2010 Recommendations for Tree Work.

5. **ROOT PROTECTION AREA (RPA) INCURSIONS**

There are no conflicts between proposed structures and RPAs of trees to be retained.

6. **PROTECTION OF RETAINED TREES**

All trees to be retained should be protected by fencing in accordance with the details in BS5837:2012. The implementation of the tree protection on site should be in compliance with a site-specific Tree Protection Plan (TPP) and Arboricultural Method Statement (AMS).

7. **IMPACT ON LOCAL AMENITY**

Tree loss in relation to the development focuses primarily on the clearance of low quality trees in the central northeastern section of the site to create the site access. None of the better quality trees within the site are proposed for removal. The existing robust tree belts and linear tree groups on all boundaries of the site are retained thus minimising any wider landscape impacts.

Extensive new tree planting within the site is proposed thus mitigating any tree loss and contributing to an enhancement of the local tree stock as a result of the proposed development.