

Categorisation of Trees

The category for each tree is assessed using the recommendations of BS5837:2012. The assessment has not considered any site-specific development proposals, but will have considered any changes on or off-site which may have an effect on the conditions surrounding the surveyed trees.

The trees have been classified into one of the following categories (and one or more sub-categories [this will however not increase the value of the tree]) and are indicated on the associated drawings by colours as indicated.

Category U				Identification colour on plan
Trees in such a condition that they cannot realistically be retained as living trees in the context of the current land use for longer than 10 years	- Trees that have a serious, irremediable, structural defect, such that their early loss is expected due to collapse, including those that will become unviable after removal of other category U trees (e.g. where, for whatever reason, the loss of companion shelter cannot be mitigated by pruning) - Trees that are dead or are showing signs of significant, immediate, and irreversible overall decline - Trees infected with pathogens of significance to the health and/or safety of other trees nearby, or very low quality trees suppressing adjacent trees of better quality			DARK RED
Category A	1 – Mainly arboricultural values	2 – Mainly landscape values	3 – Mainly cultural values	Identification colour on plan
Trees of high quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 40 years	Trees that are particularly good examples of their species, especially if rare or unusual; or those that are essential components of groups or formal or semi-formal arboricultural features (e.g. the dominant and/or principal trees within an avenue	Trees, groups or woodlands of particular visual importance as arboricultural and/or landscape features	Trees, groups or woodlands, of significant conservation, historical, commemorative or other value (e.g. veteran trees or wood-pasture)	LIGHT GREEN
Category B	1 – Mainly arboricultural values	2 – Mainly landscape values	3 – Mainly cultural values	Identification colour on plan
Trees of moderate quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 20 years	Trees that might be included in category A, but are down-graded because of impaired condition (e.g. presence of significant though remediable defects, including unsympathetic past management and storm damage), such that they are unlikely to be suitable for retention for beyond 40 years; or trees lacking the special quality necessary to merit the category A designation	Trees present in numbers, usually growing as groups or woodlands, such that they attract a higher collective rating than they might as individuals; or trees occurring as collectives but situated so as to make little visual contribution to the wider locality	Trees with material conservation value or other cultural value	MID BLUE
Category C	1 – Mainly arboricultural values	2 – Mainly landscape values	3 – Mainly cultural values	Identification colour on plan
Trees of low quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 10 years, or young trees with a stem diameter below 150mm	Unremarkable trees of very limited merit or such impaired condition that they do not qualify in higher categories	Trees present in groups or woodlands, but without this conferring on them significantly greater collective landscape value; and/or trees offering low or only temporary/transient landscape benefits	Trees with no material conservation or other cultural value	GREY

Grp 7	Bay Silver Birch Hawthorn	9	See below	See below	See below	See below	N - E - S - W -	N - E - S - W -	Early Mature	Fair	Structural Condition – Fair Boundary edge trees of poor form Many multi-stemmed at ground level Low hanging branches Basal suckers Trunk shapes distorted due to group pressure	None required at time of survey	10+	C2	
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Tree No	Species	H't (m)	Single/ Multi-Stemmed (S or MS)	Stem Diam (mm)	Root Protection Area (m²)	Root Protection Distance (m)	Branch Spread (m)	H't of Crown AGL (m)	Life Stage	Physio-logical Condition	Structural Condition and General Observations	Preliminary Management Recommendations	Est. Rem. Contrib. (Yrs)	Cat
G7.1	Hawthorn	-	MS	290 120 170	59	4.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C1+2
G7.2	Hawthorn	-	MS	100 120 90 150 110	31	3.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C1+2
G7.3	Bay	-	MS	180 170 200 130 110	62	4.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C1+2
G7.4	Cherry Laurel	-	S	180	15	2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C1+2
G7.5	Silver Birch	-	S	300	41	3.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C1+2
G7.6	Hawthorn	-	MS	140 150	20	2.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C1+2
G7.7	Bay	-	MS	140 120 110 100 100	31	3.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C1+2
G7.8	Silver Birch	-	S	280	35	3.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C1+2
Grp 8	Hazel Elder	4	S	300	41	3.6	N - E - S - W -	N - E - S - W -	Semi- mature	Good	Structural Condition – Fair Multi-stemmed at ground level Elder is regeneration from stumps Low hanging branches Crown shapes distorted due to group pressure Unmaintained section of existing garden	None required at time of survey	10+	C2

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Grp 11	Common Ash Cherry Laurel Hazel Lawson Cypress	9	See below	See below	See below	See below	N - E - S - W -	N - E - S - W -	Early Mature	Good	Structural Condition – Fair Group grows along site boundary providing good separation to and from site Some trees multi-stemmed at various heights Low hanging branches Minor deadwood in crowns Old pruning wounds on trunks	None required at time of survey	20	B2
G11.1	Common Ash	-	MS	140 180	24	2.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C1+2
G11.2	Cherry Laurel	-	S	320	46	3.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C1+2
G11.3	Apple	-	MS	170 220	15	2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C1+2
G11.4	Hazel	-	MS x7	90	26	2.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C1+2
G11.5	Bay	-	MS	180 190 220 160	65	4.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C1+2
G11.6	Bay	-	S	260	31	3.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C1+2
G11.7	Bay	-	MS	160 160 140 160	43	3.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C1+2
G11.8	Lawson Cypress	-	S	180	15	2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C1+2
G11.9	Lawson Cypress	-	S	240	26	2.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C1+2