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Arboricultural Report

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Arboricultural Assessment

I: Summary

This report involves a close inspection and recommendations of a selected tree (T001) located within the property, 6 The Thicket, Widley, Waterloooville, PO7 5JL.

(See Fig 1).

A request has been made to carry out a report on the direct damage to the property that the selected tree (T001) has caused by the land/homeowner, David Lamonby. The client requested a visual tree inspection to be carried out to determine the extent of damage caused and what future risks they may impose, with any recommendations to lower the impact or remove any future risks.



Fig 1. Site boundary and location of trees

2: Introduction

2.1 Instruction

An instruction has been given by Mr David Lamonby to visually inspect the selected tree that is causing damage or has the potential to cause further damage to his property, to draw conclusions and make management recommendations for any immediate and future management.

2.2 Report limitations

Any recommendations made in this report are based on the results of the survey in conjunction with the arboricultural opinion of the author in regards to:

- Interpreting the results.
- An assessment of the physiological and physical condition of the tree/s.
- An assessment of the trees location.

No soil analysis was undertaken, any possible underground conditions or conflict were investigated as far as a surface visual inspection would allow. Detailed background information concerning the history of the location, its hydrology and geology was not known at the time of the inspection.

This report related specifically to the condition of the subject tree and the damage the trees roots are causing on the day of inspection and remains valid for a period of 12 months from the date it was undertaken.

3: Inspection information

3.1 Site Visit

The site visit was carried out on 1st June 2026. All observations were from ground level, and all measurements were estimated unless otherwise specified.

3.2 Site description

The trees within this report are located within a large, well maintained front garden. Collectively, the trees in this location contribute significantly to the amenity and ecology of the area, and their retention is desirable. To the North West of the property approximately less than 5 meters away from the property is (T001) which is subject to a TPO (Tree Preservation Order). On the South western side of the property there is a small 3-4m height Cypress sp. Roughly 5-6m away from the property building located in a shrub bed. There is a high number of Mixed species mature trees located East in the property at the back garden.

On the West of the property there is a TPO tree 1x Dawn redwood (*Metasequoia glyptostroboides*) (T001).

TPO Number: 1656

4: Tree inspection

4.1 Methodology

The tree was visually inspected and observations were carried out from ground level, with the use of skill and arboriculture knowledge. Only height, DBH (diameter at breast height), stage of life, and any defects were measured unless otherwise indicated, with recommendations.

5: Observations

5.1 Tree survey Report

This section of the report is the data that was collected on site in table format, this will include;

- A Reference number e.g. (T001)
- Species
- Description e.g. (targets, occupancy frequency, ownership, woodland tree, park tree, tree on fence line etc.)
- Measurements
- Survey notes
- Overall condition
- Inspection period
- Recommendations
- Photos of individual trees (additional photos have been taken and added to report with Ref. numbers)

Ref.	Species	Description	Measurements
T001	Dawn redwood (<i>Metasequoia glyptostroboides</i>)	Target # - building Target # - dwelling. - Within drip line. - Occupancy - Constant(4). - Not practical to move the target. Tree has a TPO	Height (m): 18.9 DBH (cm): 80 Life Stage: Mature
Survey Notes	Overall Condition	Inspect Period	Recommendations
Crown Size: Large. * Crown and Branches Dead twigs/branches 10% overall Branches rubbing against roof. * Roots and Root Collar Condition(s) of concern: roots causing Direct damage to property (See pictures)	Fair	18 Months	Fell to near ground level and grind out roots, replant with same species in another area where future growth won't effect property. Timescale: 01-June-2027 (1 Year)

6 : Conclusion

6.1 Tree management recommendations

From the evidence collected, there is knowledge to believe that T001 Dawn redwood (*Metasequoia glyptostroboides*) – is causing direct damage to the property of Mr David Lamonby via the roots visibly lifting the concrete and tarmac on his driveway (T001 P03, there is also potential evidence showing large roots pushing up the laid bricks to the south of the main building (T001 P02). In addition to the problems the tree is causing, there is branches on the eastern side of the crown rubbing on the roof (See pic T001 P01). Another visual observation is there are signs of cracks on the lower part of the west side of the building, closest point to the offending where it joins a long, large crack in the driveway connecting to the tree root (See pic), as well as a wall next to the corner of the building on the south of the property, is being lifted potentially by the roots. As mentioned during the visit there is a Cypress roughly 5-6 meters away from the building on the south, but it is highly unlikely that the roots that have been exposed (See pic) are connected to the young Cypress tree.

Recommendations to mitigate further problems in the future would be to;

- Dawn redwood (*Metasequoia glyptostroboides*) (T001) - Fell to near ground level and grind out roots, replant with same species in another area where future growth won't effect property.

Timescale: 01-June-2027 (1 Year)

All permitted or approved tree work should be carried out by suitably qualified and experienced professional arborists in line with best practices as recommended by BS3998:2010 (British Standard for Tree Work – Recommendations) or as modified by a more up to date recommendations as appropriate. All tree work must also take into consideration the wildlife and countryside act 1981 (as amended), The Conservation (natural habitats etc.) Regulations 1994 and the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 protected species of flora and fauna. Any work needed to be carried out within a Tree Preservation Order must have an approved application from the local planning authority (Havant borough council) prior any tree work being carried out.

7 : Appendix a)

Photograph portfolio



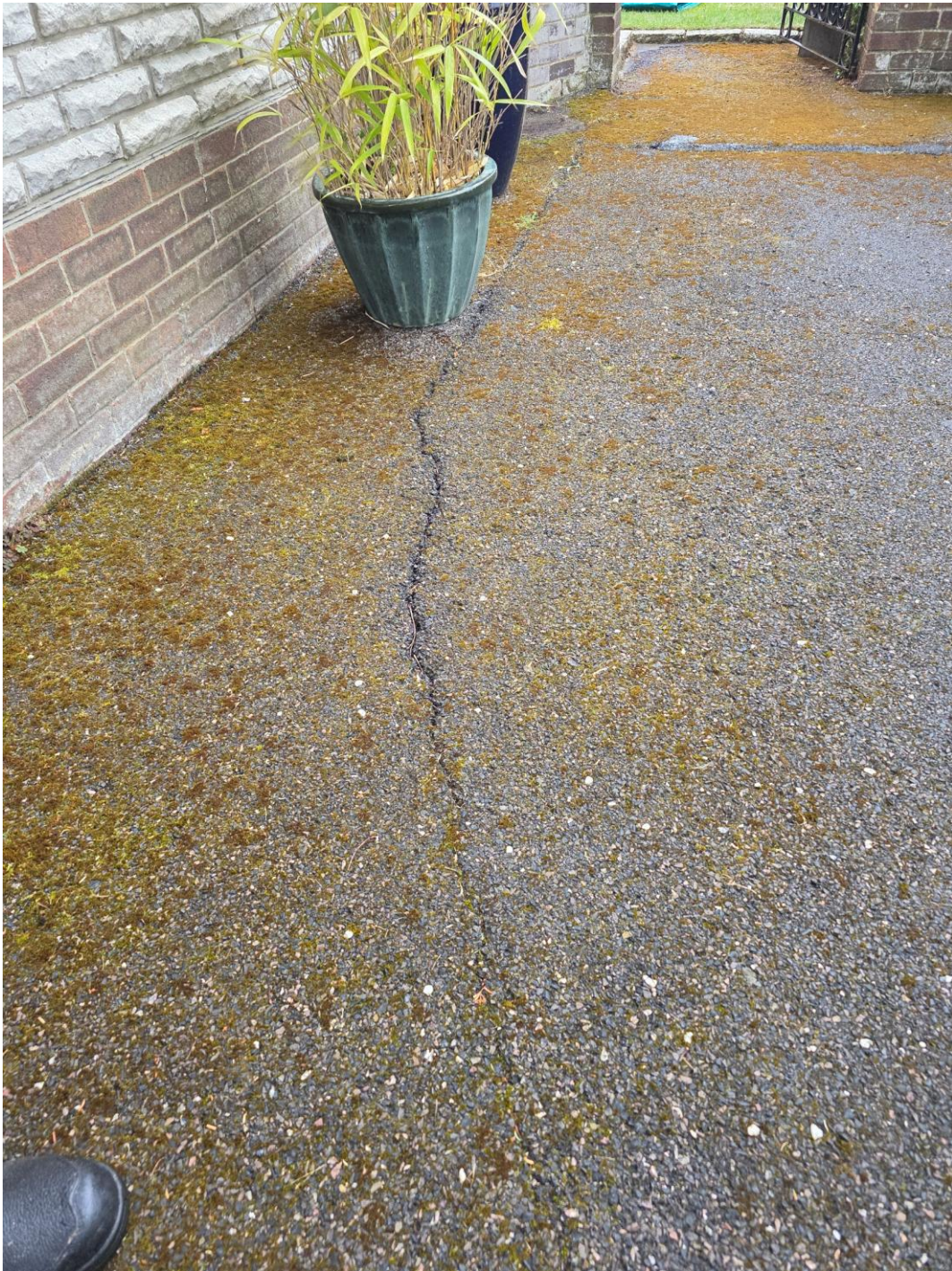
T001 P01

Branch rubbing on roof



T001 P02

Exposed Roots that have been lifting up the laid bricks



T001 P03

Evidence of a large crack formed from the roots in the direction of the roots that have been exposed underneath the brickwork in T001 P02.



T001 P04

Evidence of roots lifting up drive way causing a potential trip hazard



T001 P05

Evidence of rootplate lifting the curb



T001 P06

Location if tree to house

Red arrow indicating the location of the crack on the side of the building.

Red circled area is where the long crack from the rootplate connects to the crack on the building.