



Ref Specification of works, reasons for works based on arboricultural advice from Neil Wilson

Specification

T.1 Malus

Prune back all overhanging branches to the boundary line

Crown reduce by approximately 20% of remaining leaf area (this equates to the removal of approximately 1-2m of the crown spread and the removal of approximately 1.5-3m of the height), see photo for approx. crown outline after the reduction (pls note this image is only a rough guide), leaving tree with natural crown shape for species in line with BS3998.

T.2 Prunus

Prune back all overhanging branches to the boundary line

Lightly crown reduce by pruning back leggy sections to give tight crown form this equates to the removal of approximately 1-2m, see photo for approx. crown outline after the reduction (pls note this image is only a rough guide), leaving tree with natural crown shape for species in line with BS3998.

T.3 Yew

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Reasons for works to T.1&2

1. The neighbour has strongly insisted that the overhanging branches be removed.
2. The proposed works will help to prevent future conflict buildings
3. The trees is beginning to dominate and whilst the residents like and enjoy the positive aspects of the tree, they do not want it to become any larger and therefore want to manage it to contain the size and spread of the tree, to prevent future problems.
4. The pruning will be carried out in accordance with the guidelines in BS3998 and is therefore is a recognised pruning technique.
5. The crown reduction will be carried out by a highly skilled arborist in accordance with the guidelines in B.S 3998 and therefore a natural crown shape will be retained. When crown reduction are carried out in this way it is very hard for a lay person to be able to see that works have been carried out and therefore the visual amenity provided by this tree will not be effected.
6. The pruning will only remove an estimated 20% of the total leaf area of the tree and therefore the overall effect on the tree will be minimal.
7. The pruning will allow more light into the garden and property.
8. The area has plenty of tree cover and therefore any loss of visual amenity will be minimal.



9. The trees vitality is good and therefore the pruning will not have a significant detrimental effect to overall condition of the tree.
10. The effects of the pruning will have a positive long-term impact upon the sustainability of the tree.

Reasons for works to T.3

1. To allow the adj. yew to develop fully
2. To allow more light to this area of the garden and encourage the hedge to thicken up.
3. To improve the aesthetics of this area of the garden.
4. The location of the tree, means it cannot be seen from a public place and you will have to look hard to see it is missing, therefore the loss of visual amenity for the local landscape will be minimal.

Summary

The proposed works will make significant difference to Clients use and enjoyment of their garden and will help to prevent future conflicts between the trees and the property. This will far out way any loss of the visual amenity.