



Sheet 1

Reasons for the proposed works are listed and numbered below

1. The Oak tree is in a state of severe decline and is now approaching complete mortality, exhibiting very limited signs of vitality throughout the crown. The exact cause of the decline has not been conclusively identified; however, the tree's condition has deteriorated to such an extent that recovery is considered highly unlikely.

The loss of structural integrity associated with the tree's declining health presents an increasing risk of branch failure and potential stem collapse. Given its proximity to the adjacent footpath, highway, and neighbouring property, the tree now represents a foreseeable safety hazard to pedestrians, vehicles, and structures.

Due to the extent of dieback and the absence of sufficient live growth to support a viable retention strategy, remedial pruning would not provide a sustainable solution.

As such, the proposed works are considered the most appropriate and proportionate management option.

It is therefore proposed that the tree be reduced to a standing monolith of approximately 1.5-2 metres in height. This approach will remove the immediate risk posed by the failing crown and upper stem while retaining a degree of habitat value for wildlife where it is safe and practicable to do so.