

Item No 11:-

18/00276/TPO

**Car Park South Of Mangersbury Road
Mangersbury Road
Stow-On-The-Wold
Gloucestershire**

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T11 Sycamore - reduce crown, T29 Horse Chestnut - reduce crown at Car Park South Of Mangersbury Road Mangersbury Road Stow-On-The-Wold Gloucestershire

Works to trees with a TPO 18/00276/TPO	
Applicant:	Cotswold District Council
Agent:	Cotswold District Council
Case Officer:	Christopher Fleming
Ward Member(s):	Councillor Dilys Neill
Committee Date:	14th February 2018
RECOMMENDATION:	DELEGATED PERMIT

Main Issues:

(a) The potential loss of amenity due to the need to carry out tree works for safety reasons.

Reasons for Referral:

This application has been referred to the Planning Committee for determination because it involves works to trees protected by a Tree Preservation Order on Council owned land.

1. Site Description:

This application relates to a parcel of land located on the south eastern edge of Stow-on-the-Wold. The land is utilised as a public car park. A building housing public conveniences is located in the north west corner of the site. A large number of trees lie around the edge and across the middle of the site. A Group Tree Preservation Order (TPO) was served on the land by Gloucestershire County Council in 1948.

Cotswold District Council became responsible for the TPO in 1974. A list of the protected trees and a map of their position within the site is attached to this report. A schedule of works is also attached.

Attached to this report is a plan of the TPO and a plan showing the tree and the Council's ownership boundary.

2. Relevant Planning History:

Previous TPO application 09/00758/TPO was granted.

3. Planning Policies:

NA No Relevant Policies

4. Observations of Consultees:

N/A

5. View of Town/Parish Council:

No comments at time of writing report

6. Other Representations:

No representations received at time of writing report

7. Applicant's Supporting Information:

N/A

8. Officer's Assessment:

This application is for the following trees to have a crown reduction (T11 Sycamore and T29 Horse Chestnut).

During a recent tree inspection, various defects/issues were observed and recorded. A copy of these findings with remedial works are attached.

Broadly speaking the defects/issues can be grouped into the following:

- 1) Trees in decline
- 2) Fungal infection

Overall, it is considered that the proposed pruning works are necessary to ensure the long term health and wellbeing of the trees on site. It will also ensure that risks to members of the public are reduced.

9. Conclusion

The works are necessary to remove maintain trees in a safe manner and remove hazards. To minimise the potential for harm to property and people. The application is therefore recommended for approval.

10. Proposed conditions:

a) The tree work that is the subject of this application is permitted and must be carried out within two years of the date of this notice after which consent lapses and a new application must be made.

Reason: To ensure that works to trees that are protected by Tree Preservation Orders within Cotswold District are effectively controlled and monitored.

b) Climbing spikes/irons must not be used whilst undertaking any form of works on living trees, except on those that are to be felled.

Reason: Climbing spikes can cause extensive and long term damage to tree health

Works subject to this application must be carried out in accordance with the British Standard for tree works BS3998:2010

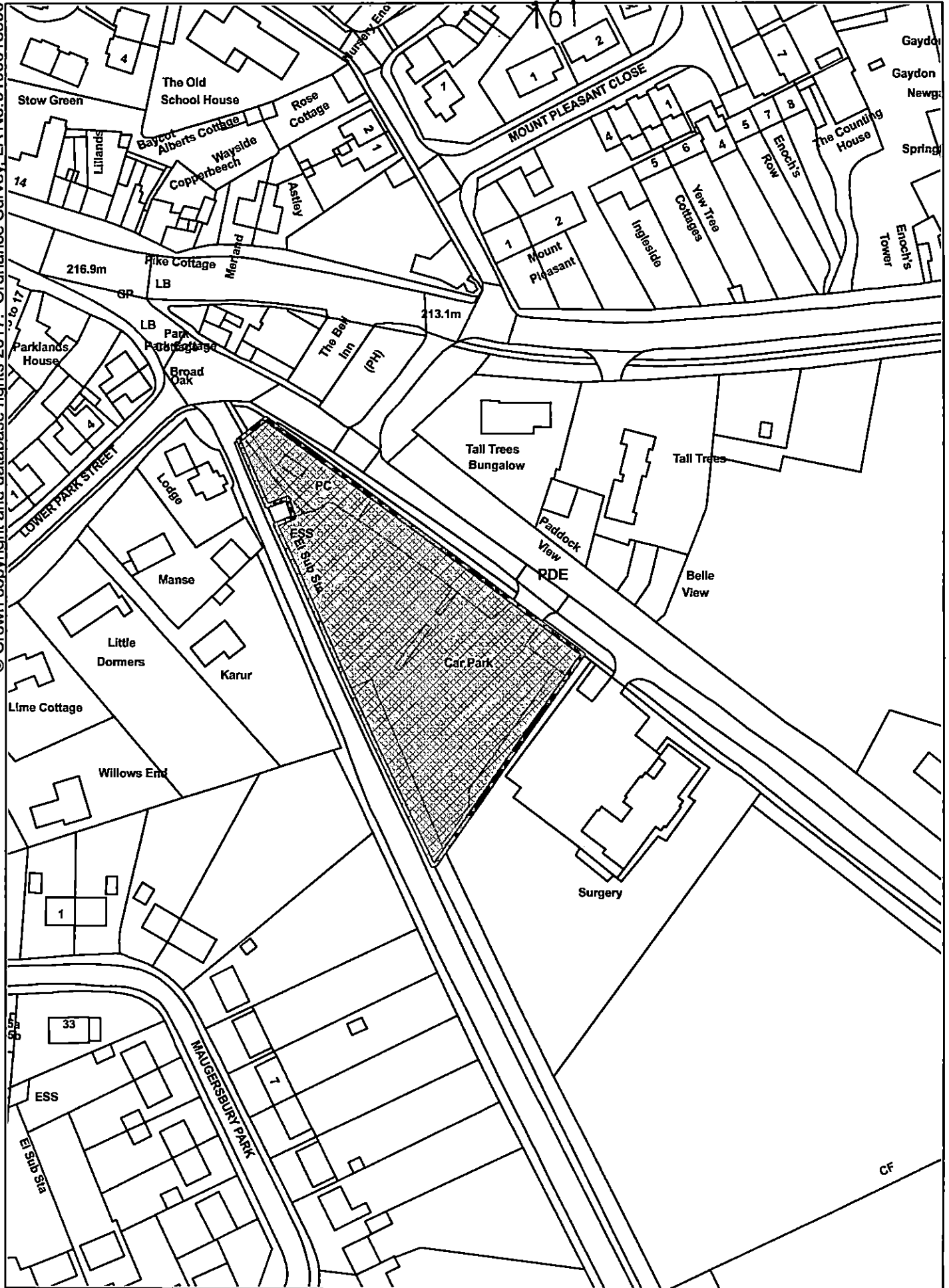
Reason: To ensure that works are carried out to an industry pre-defined standard, in the interests of the health, safety and appearance of the preserved trees.

Informatives:

a) If the trees are not in your ownership, you will require the permission of the owner before any works can be carried out.

b) Work to trees can have detrimental impacts on protected wildlife species. All British birds, their nests and eggs (with certain, very limited exceptions) are protected by law, as are all bat species and their roosts (even when unoccupied). Prior to commencing work you should ensure that bats and bat roosts; and nesting birds and birds' nests will not be adversely affected. If you suspect that a bat or a bat roost is likely to be affected by the proposed works, you should consult Natural England (www.naturalengland.org.uk)

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CAR PARK SOUTH OF MAUGERSBURY ROAD STOW ON THE WOLD 1250

Organisation: Cotswold District Council

Department:

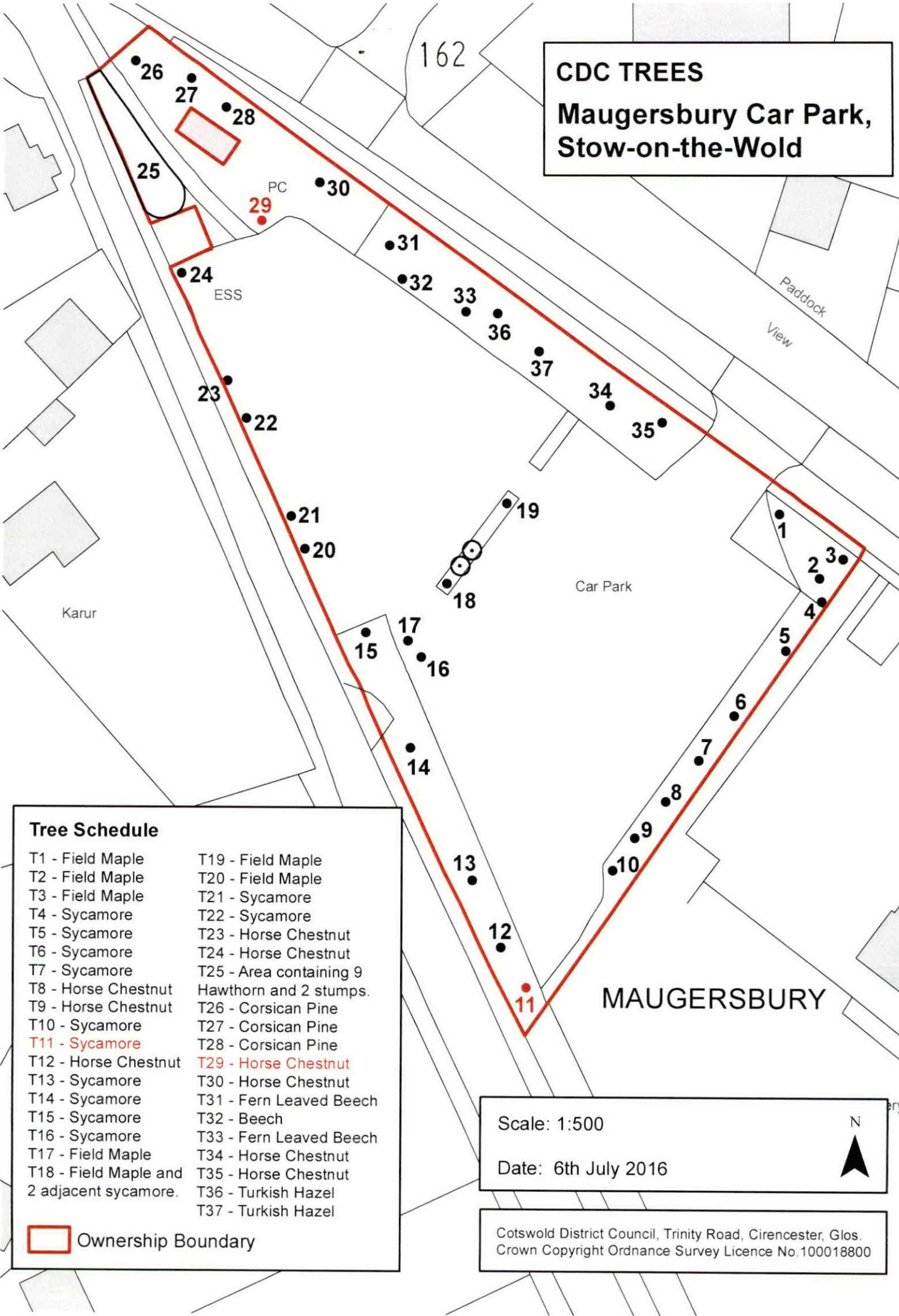
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CDC TREES
Maugersbury Car Park,
Stow-on-the-Wold



Tree Schedule

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| T1 - Field Maple | T19 - Field Maple |
| T2 - Field Maple | T20 - Field Maple |
| T3 - Field Maple | T21 - Sycamore |
| T4 - Sycamore | T22 - Sycamore |
| T5 - Sycamore | T23 - Horse Chestnut |
| T6 - Sycamore | T24 - Horse Chestnut |
| T7 - Sycamore | T25 - Area containing 9 Hawthorn and 2 stumps. |
| T8 - Horse Chestnut | T26 - Corsican Pine |
| T9 - Horse Chestnut | T27 - Corsican Pine |
| T10 - Sycamore | T28 - Corsican Pine |
| T11 - Sycamore | T29 - Horse Chestnut |
| T12 - Horse Chestnut | T30 - Horse Chestnut |
| T13 - Sycamore | T31 - Fern Leaved Beech |
| T14 - Sycamore | T32 - Beech |
| T15 - Sycamore | T33 - Fern Leaved Beech |
| T16 - Sycamore | T34 - Horse Chestnut |
| T17 - Field Maple | T35 - Horse Chestnut |
| T18 - Field Maple and 2 adjacent sycamore. | T36 - Turkish Hazel |
| | T37 - Turkish Hazel |

 Ownership Boundary

Scale: 1:500

Date: 6th July 2016



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Site – Maugersbury Car Park, Stow on the Wold

Date of inspection 4th September 2017

Tree number	Species	Comments/Observations	Recommendation
11	Sycamore	25m tall. Mature tree. Crown with twiggy dieback in a few upper branches and appears to be thinning typical of decline. Trunk forked at 9m with good union. Large area of bark damage on trunk between 7m and 10m on east side, cause unknown but no visible decay in wood and callusing at margins. Several small cavities at old pruning wounds on the lower trunk, evenly distributed and unlikely to be affecting structure of tree. No significant deadwood in crown over parking area. Little change in 2015 but ivy developing and was severed while on site. Sounding with a mallet did not indicate any obvious abnormality in the lower trunk. Recommend re-inspection dormant and in full leaf. 2017 noted that area of dead bark now extends both sides of trunk from union at 8m and is significant defect as the tree will not be able to strengthen at the union. Recommend crown reduction in annotated photo with MB to review and consider a slightly greater reduction in the circumstances	Current height approx. 28m. Reduce back in height to 16m as indicated in annotated photo (see sites folder 2017 photos) and reduce side branches to balance
29	Horse Chestnut	18m tall. Mature tree. Crown reasonably healthy, topped at 18m in last 2-4 years. Large wound in trunk at 4m on south west side, not sounding extensively decayed. A little sparser than T24. This tree discussed with MB after tree surgeon noted cavity. Fungal fruit bodies of <i>Coprinus</i> sp. at base in May 2017, species not associated with decay. Crown very sparse at top in sept 17 and recommending reduction surgery	Reduce height by approximately 8m to leave a final height of 15m and reduce branch spread to leave final radial spread of 4m
33	Fern leaved beech	6m tall. Young tree. No significant defects. TPO EXEMPT - TOO YOUNG.	Prune off four lowest branches as formative prune