

**Item No 13:-**

**18/00282/TPO**

**Beeches Car Park  
Beeches Road  
Cirencester  
Gloucestershire**

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**T6, Lawson – fell. T18, N. Maple – fell. T19, Larch – fell. T20, Larch – fell at Beeches Car Park Beeches Road Cirencester Gloucestershire**

<b>Works to trees with a TPO 18/00282/TPO</b>	
<b>Applicant:</b>	Cotswold District Council
<b>Agent:</b>	Cotswold District Council
<b>Case Officer:</b>	Christopher Fleming
<b>Ward Member(s):</b>	Councillor Joe Harris
<b>Committee Date:</b>	14th February 2018
<b>RECOMMENDATION:</b>	<b>DELEGATED PERMIT</b>

**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 West of Beeches Road, Cirencester known as the Beeches Road Car Park. The land is utilised as a car park. On site is also a recycling facility for bottles.

A large number of trees lie around the edge of the site to the West, along the River Churn, and East of Purley Road Allotments. An area Tree Preservation Order (TPO 158) was served on the land by Cotswold District Council in 1991.

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

**2. Relevant Planning History:**

Previous TPO applications 17/00206/TPO and 09/01875/TPO. Both applications were granted.

**3. Planning Policies:**

NA No Relevant Policies

**4. Observations of Consultees:**

N/A

**5. View of Town/Parish Council:**

No objections

**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 felling of 4 trees, these are referenced on the attached plan as (T6 Lawson, T1 N. Maple, T19 Larch and T20 Larch).

During a recent tree inspection, various defects/issues were observed and recorded. A copy of these findings are attached to this report.

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

- 1) Significant decay
- 2) Fungal infection (Honey fungus)
- 3) Dieback and limb shedding
- 4) Dead tree (dead trees are an exception from the TPO, and do need require an application as they are exempt. The dead tree does form part of this application and is included for information only).

Where trees are decayed an assessment has been made to the extent of decay and the effect on public safety. It will also ensure that risks to members of the public are reduced.

**9. Conclusion**

The works are necessary to remove trees that are either in such a state of natural decline or are decayed and have become a hazard. To minimise the potential for harm to property and people. The application is therefore recommended for approval.

**10. Proposed conditions:**

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.

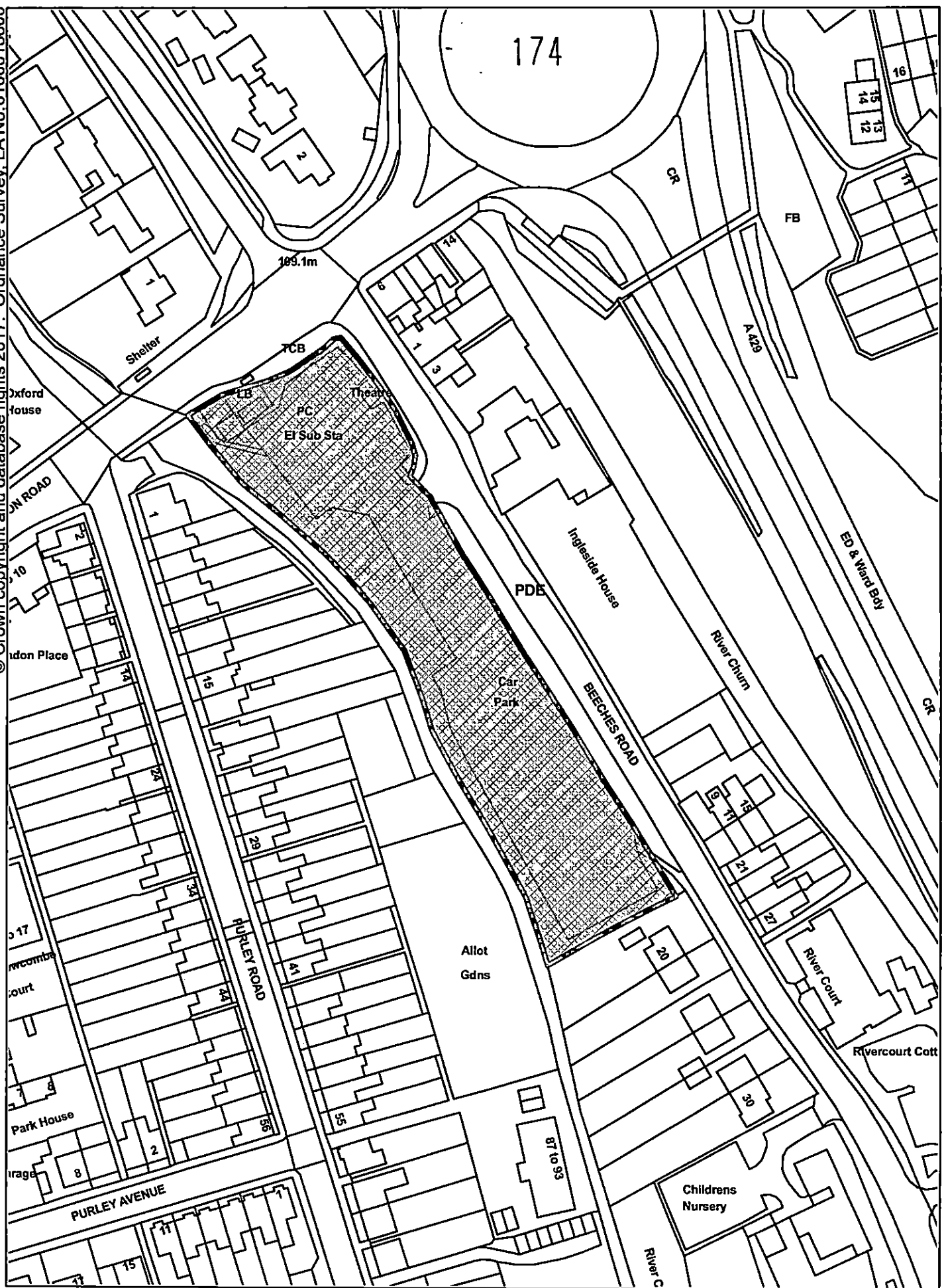
**Reason:** To ensure that works to trees that are protected by Tree Preservation Orders within Cotswold District are effectively controlled and monitored.

**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](http://www.naturalengland.org.uk))

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Organisation: Cotswold District Council

Department:

Date: 01/02/2018

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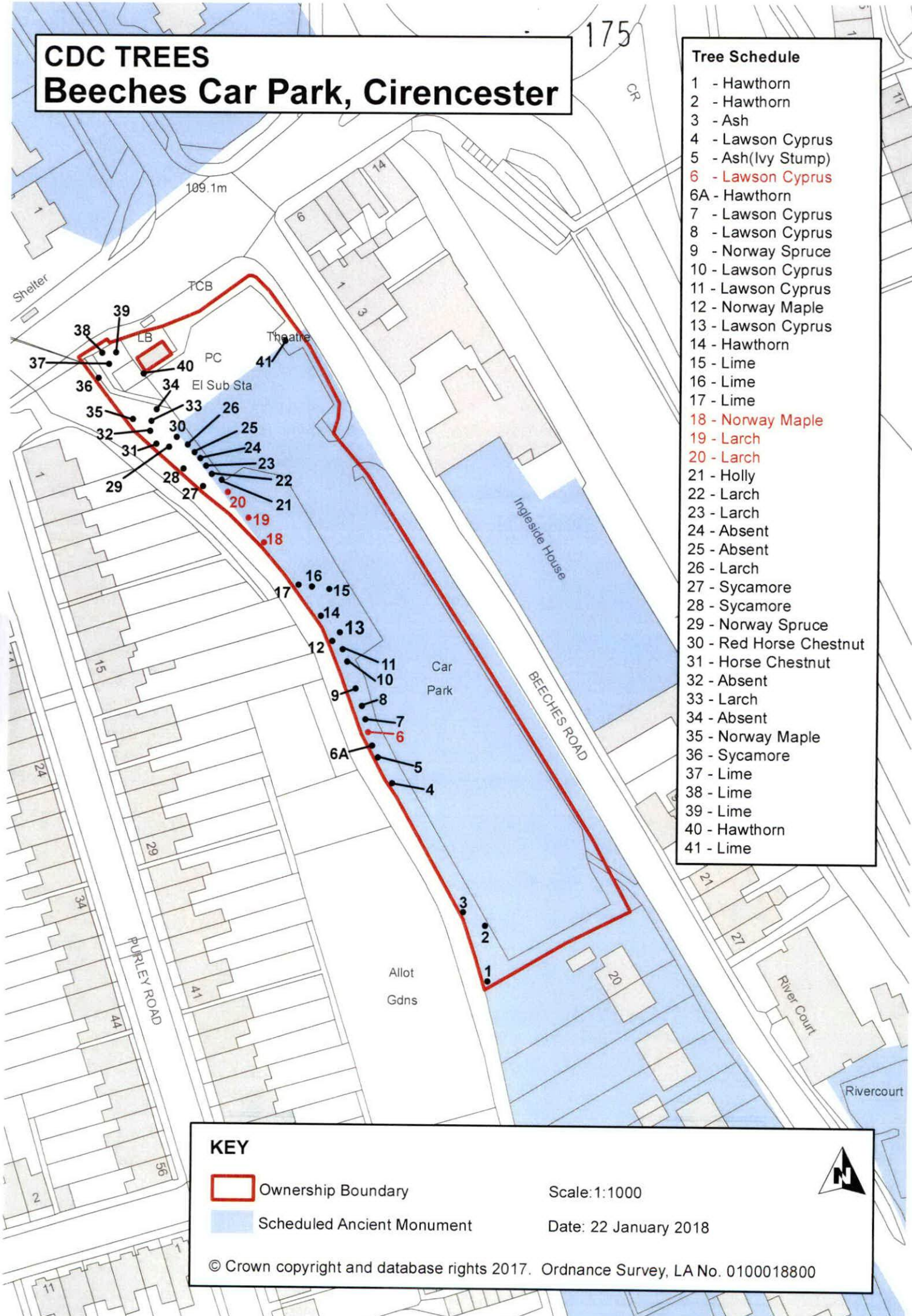
**NORTH**

# CDC TREES Beeches Car Park, Cirencester

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## Tree Schedule

- 1 - Hawthorn
- 2 - Hawthorn
- 3 - Ash
- 4 - Lawson Cypress
- 5 - Ash(Ivy Stump)
- 6 - **Lawson Cypress**
- 6A - Hawthorn
- 7 - Lawson Cypress
- 8 - Lawson Cypress
- 9 - Norway Spruce
- 10 - Lawson Cypress
- 11 - Lawson Cypress
- 12 - Norway Maple
- 13 - Lawson Cypress
- 14 - Hawthorn
- 15 - Lime
- 16 - Lime
- 17 - Lime
- 18 - **Norway Maple**
- 19 - **Larch**
- 20 - **Larch**
- 21 - Holly
- 22 - Larch
- 23 - Larch
- 24 - Absent
- 25 - Absent
- 26 - Larch
- 27 - Sycamore
- 28 - Sycamore
- 29 - Norway Spruce
- 30 - Red Horse Chestnut
- 31 - Horse Chestnut
- 32 - Absent
- 33 - Larch
- 34 - Absent
- 35 - Norway Maple
- 36 - Sycamore
- 37 - Lime
- 38 - Lime
- 39 - Lime
- 40 - Hawthorn
- 41 - Lime



## KEY

- Ownership Boundary
- Scheduled Ancient Monument

Scale: 1:1000

Date: 22 January 2018



Site - Beeches Car Park, Cirencester

Date of inspection 14<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Tree number	Species	Comments/Observations	Recommendation
6	Lawson cypress	14m tall. Mature tree. Decay on side of lower trunk, river side of tree, not extensive but no indication of responsive growth and will decline	Fell
18	Norway maple	20m tall. Mature tree. Squirrel damage in central crown. Poor form with large limb cut off on river side in past. Some branches overhang grass area behind recycle bins but low risk. Unknown fungi growing at base and on branch stump of previously removed large limb. Honey fungus present at base below large truncated limb and progressive as sides with no responsive growth will not recover. Crown recently shed large limb which is lying in bushes adjacent	Fell
19	Larch	16m tall. Mature tree. Narrow crown Trunk extensively decayed - checked with increment corer, risk of failure	Fell
20	Larch	16m tall. Mature tree. Narrow crown Dead	Fell