Appendix 1

Holmefield House

Proposed Tree Works

Background

Holmefield House is on Holmefield Rd and benefits from a large garden with many mature trees. Whilst the trees are not subject to TPOs they are within a conservation area. The perimeter has many mature deciduous trees which are generally in good health. There are however necessary works required as several of the trees have not been appropriately managed over the years and some tree works are therefore required. Permission for these works is being sought.

The Proposed Tree Works

1. Removal of small self-seeded trees that are out of place to preserve more valuable specimens

The garden has three self-seeded sycamore trees (tree A, B and tree C) which have been allowed to grow too close to existing specimens of much greater value (large Sycamore and large Ash trees whose canopies are well established above these trees but where the self-seeded trees are beginning to try and compete with the larger more valuable specimens). It is proposed to remove trees A B and C to preserve the larger trees and address over-crowding. Photos 1, 2 and 3 show the relative sizes and positioning of the trees in question.

2. Removal of an established tree to secure the driveway and give prominence to larger perimeter specimens

There is a large established sycamore tree (tree D – see photos 5 and 6) which has grown at a roughly 45 degree angle (as it is too close to perimeter trees of large stature and normal shape – see phot 6). As the tree is too close to its neighbouring larger specimens and badly overhangs the drive it is proposed that it is removed for the benefit of the two trees on the perimeter and to safeguard the drive.

3. Removal of bow of large tree E which overhangs the driveway.

Whilst tree E is to be retained it does need removal of a bow that crosses the drive and is misshapen, unbalanced and growing downward for part of its length. This would raise the crown and leave the main stem intact. The part of the tree to be removed is considered potentially dangerous. Again this growth is a result of overcrowding and poor maintenance of the trees historically.

All work would be undertaken by qualified tree professionals under the supervision of our garden designer and the owners. We also will ensure that BS3998 is complied with.

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Photo 1

Removal of self seeded sycamore A



Removal of a self seeded sycamore very close to two established specimen is proposed.

Photo 2

Removal of self seeded sycamore B

Removal of a self seeded sycamore very close to a larger established specimen is proposed.



Photo 3

Removal of self seeded sycamore C

Removal of a self seeded sycamore very close to two larger established Ash specimens is proposed.



Photo 4

Removal of tree D

Tree D overhangs the drive at a close to 45 degree angle and is very close to two perimeter trees (see next photo for image of this)



Photo 5

Tree D from the drive

Tree D is to be removed, it is close to the perimeter trees seen behind it here

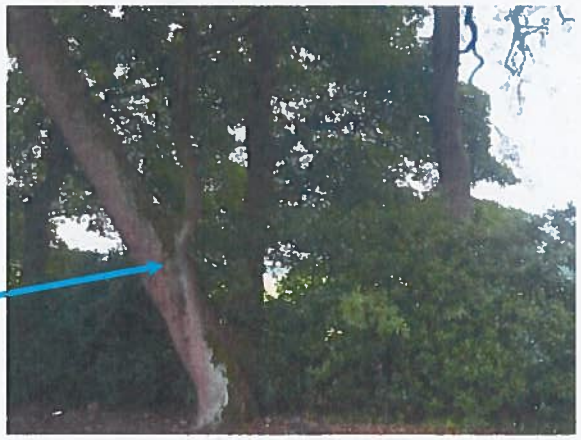


Photo 6

Tree E – remove limb marked

Removal of the left limb of tree E is proposed, raising the canopy, removing the overhanging limb from above the drive, leaving the main trunk intact

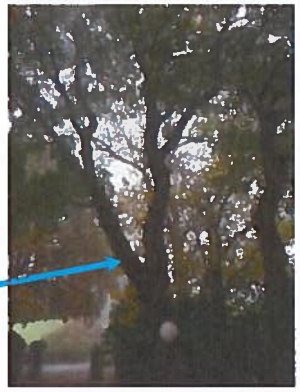


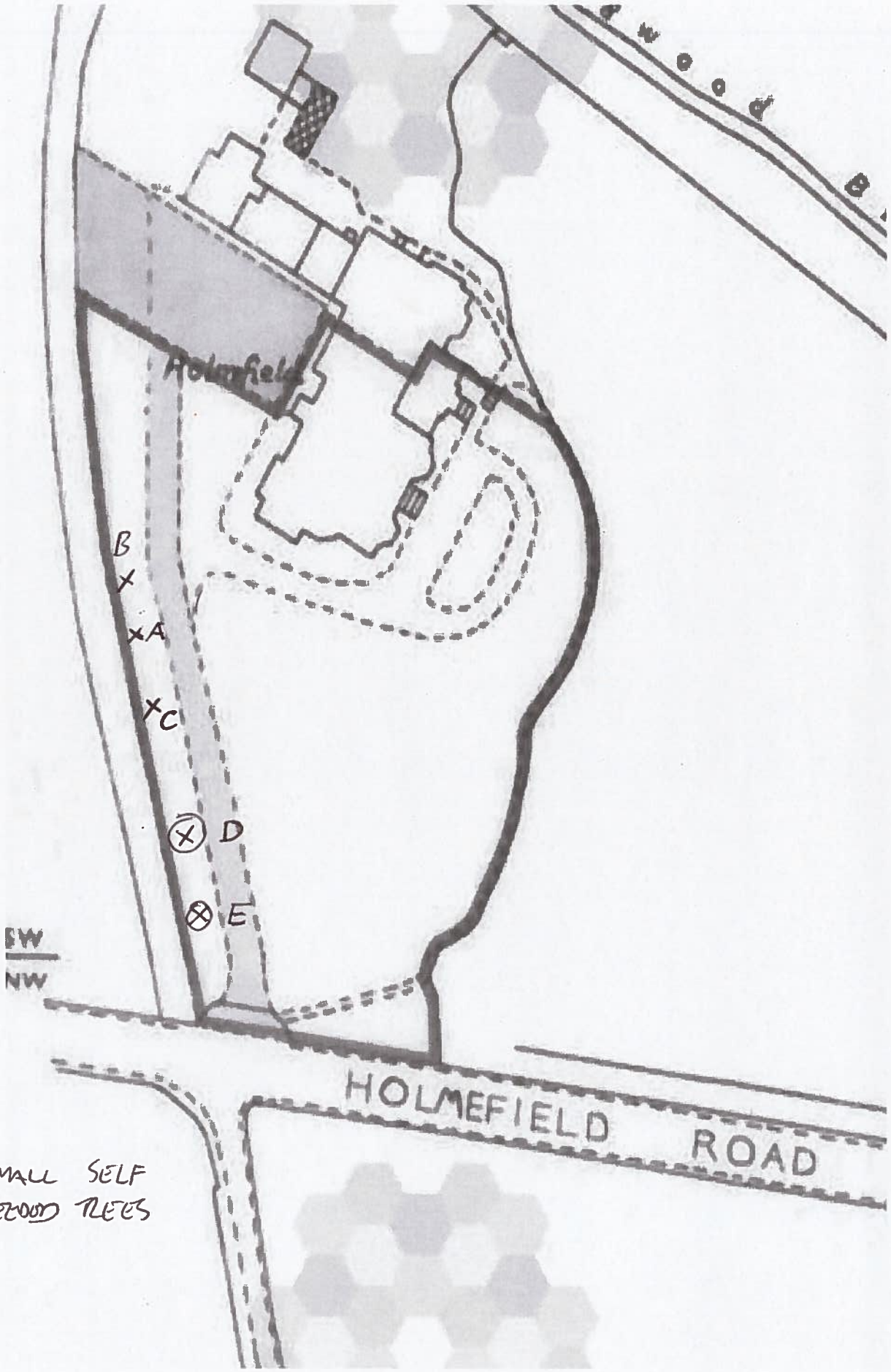
Photo 7

Limb of Tree E shown from below

Limb of tree E to be removed



APPENDIX 3.



X = SMALL SELF SEEDED TREES