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TREE HAZARD ASSESSMENT

RS-015 – Briarcourt, 28 Occupation Road, Lindley

Arboricultural Assessment

Tree safety assessment focusing on boundary trees

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Survey Details:

The survey was carried out on Thursday 17th September 2026, with clear, dry weather and good visibility.

Trees which were inspected on site were primarily concentrated on surrounding footpath, roadside and boundary areas. Tree species recorded on site included, Horse Chestnut *(aesculus hippocastanum),* Sycamore *(Acer psuedoplatanus),* Whitebeam *(Sorbus spp.),* Common Lime *(Tilia europaea),* Beech *(Fagus sylvatica),* Ash *(Fraxinus excelsior),* Hawthorn *(Crataegus monogyna)* and Laburnum *(Laburnum anagyroides).* Each tree was inspected using the Visual Tree Assessment method (VTA, Mattheck and Breloer, 1994).

All of the trees on site fall within the Edgerton Conservation Area, and are also covered by several blanket tree protection order zones.

The main aim of the site visit and subsequent report was to identify any potential hazards and deficiencies on trees within 'target areas', as mentioned above.

The schedule below categorises the Risk quantification (as outlined in the ISA's *Best Management Practices: Tree Risk Assessment (2016)),* on a scale of 1 to 4, (*Low, moderate, high and extreme*), along with suggestions in regards to associated remedial pruning works and future routine maintenance and inspection.

Tree Survey Schedule:

Tree No.	Species (Common name)	Description and recommendations	Risk
G1	H Chestnut	Group of 6-7 trees with overhanging branches (approx. 3-4m height) into lower garden area. No issues unless headroom is needed in future.	1
T1	Sycamore	3 small (<15cm diameter) branches of deadwood, 1 of which on the footpath side. Remove	2
T2	Whitebeam	1 x snapped branch. 1 x dead limb (>20cm diameter) – Remove deadwood	3
T3	Sycamore	Over-extended tertiary branches encroaching into the road – reduce to a suitable side branch/prune tips to give clearance to high-sided vehicles	2
T4	Lime	As above (T3) plus remove deadwood (<15cm diameter) and monitor	2
T5	Sycamore	Remove deadwood (<15cm + >15cm diameter)	1
T6	Sycamore	Poor crown health & weighted to one side. Reduce roadside aspect of crown by up to 2m and monitor.	3
T7	Beech	~x3 small (<15cm diameter) deadwood branches	2
T8	Beech	Large section of deadwood (>20cm diameter) to remove. Crown lift to give 4m ground clearance for grass cutting.	2
T9	H Chestnut	One low hanging branch (<10cm diameter), remove to give 4m head clearance (away from driveway).	1
T10	Beech	Crown lift to give 2-3m clearance of Bowling Club store shed and 1m clearance of lighting column	2
T11	Ash	Some early signs of Ash dieback in upper crown – monitor	1
T12	Ash	Young specimen, now exposed following recent felling of neighbouring trees – some over-extended secondary branches. Sever ivy & monitor	2
T13	Hawthorn	Dead tree. Remove only if necessary for gardening work/aesthetic reasons	1
T14	Sycamore	One large dead branch (>25cm diameter). Remove	2
T15	Lime	One large dead branch (>25cm diameter). Remove	2
T16	Sycamore	Significant deadwood throughout – no targets beneath – remove only if necessary	1
T17	Laburnum	Dead tree – located within fairly dense growth – remove only if necessary	2

Appendix I – Location Map

