T.1 Walnut (C)
Remove low limb over the garage
Remove one low stubby stem to the rear
Crown lift to approximately 4.5m by removing secondary growth only where possible
Crown reduce by approximately 20% of leaf area (this equates to reducing the existing crown by up to approximately 1-1.5m of the radial crown spread and up to approximately 1.5m of the height), see photo for approx crown outline after the reduction (pls note this image is only a rough guide), leaving tree with natural crown shape for species in line with BS3998.

Reasons for the proposed works are listed and numbered below

1. The proposed works will help to prevent future conflict with the building.

2. The tree is beginning to dominate and whilst the residents like and enjoy the positive aspects of the tree, they do not want it to become any larger and therefore want to manage it to contain the size and spread of the tree, to prevent future problems.

3. The pruning will be carried out in accordance with the guidelines in BS3998, is therefore is a appropriate recognised pruning technique and should be allowed to be carried on to all trees to alleviate problems and conflicts

4. The crown reduction will be carried out by a highly skilled arborist in accordance with the guidelines in B.S 3998 and therefore a natural crown shape will be retained. When crown reduction are carried out in this way it is very hard for a lay person to be able to see that works have been carried out and therefore the visual amenity provided by this tree will not be effected.

5. The pruning will only remove an estimated 20% of the total leaf area of the tree and therefore the overall effect on the tree will be minimal.

6. The trees vitally is good and therefore the pruning will not have a significant detrimental effect to overall condition of the tree.

7. The pruning will improve the relationship between the tree and its location.

8. The effects of the pruning will have a positive long-term impact upon the sustainability of the tree.

9. The target area should the tree or a portion of it fail is the garden and the neighbours outbuilding. The garden is heavily used in the Spring, Summer and Autumn months. Any failure has the potential to lead to significant damage to property and/or serious injuries.

10. Because the house screens the tree the branches removed will only be noticeable from one or two public places and you will have to look hard to see they are missing, therefore the loss of visual amenity for the local landscape will be minimal.

11. The tree has grown significantly since the TPO was placed on it and I don't not see it as unreasonable for the home owners to request pruning to contain the size and spread of the tree.

Summary

The proposed works will make significant difference to Clients use and enjoyment of their garden and will help to prevent future conflicts between the trees and the property.

The reasons 1.-11. are all credible reasons, to justify the works, and all far out way the any loss of any visual amenity.