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The trees are situated on a steep bank immediately adjacent to Wargrave Road, a fast A road with high volumes of large vehicles. Several stems and branches are already leaning into the carriageway and are being struck by passing high sided vehicles, creating an ongoing hazard to road users. The bank's position exposes the trees to elevated wind loading, increasing the likelihood of branch or stem failure onto the highway.

A significant proportion of the trees are Elm, a species with a well-documented and predictable decline due to Dutch Elm Disease. Many of the Elms on site already exhibit early symptoms or structural weakness consistent with future infection. Pre-emptive management is required to prevent sudden failure, maintain highway safety, and allow for controlled regrowth through pollarding where appropriate.

The proposed works are necessary to reduce risk to the public highway, manage foreseeable species-specific decline, and maintain the long-term safety and structure of the tree belt.

Specification

T1 Elm ///manliness.myself.theory

Form into multi knuckle pollard by forming a pollard knuckle at approximately 4m from road level, 50-100mm stubs to be left to aid regrowth.

G2 5x small Elm ///tripling.prospered.trails

4x Elm's Form into multi knuckle pollard by forming a pollard knuckle at approximately 4m from road level, 50-100mm stubs to be left to aid regrowth.

1x (smallest) Elm Fell down to ground level.

T3 Big multi stemmed Sycamore ///chemistry.chain.triangles

Crown lift- Lift the crown to achieve 5.5 metres of clearance above the road by reducing the lowest limb over the road by 2m. Carry out all cuts to BS3998:2010.

G4 5x Elm ///revolts.gentlemen.talking

Form into multi knuckle pollard by forming a pollard knuckle at approximately 4m from road level, 50-100mm stubs to be left to aid regrowth.

T5 Big Sycamore ///thud.defend.zoned

No works required

G6 2x Elm ///grounded.aura.aquatics

Fell to as close to ground level as possible by carefully dismantling.

G7 4x Elms ///feathers.sofas.revealing

Form into multi knuckle pollard by forming a pollard knuckle at approximately 4m from road level, 50-100mm stubs to be left to aid regrowth.

T8 Sycamore ///predict.transfers.foreheads

Fell to as close to ground level as possible by carefully dismantling.

G9 Mixed group ///linen.refilled.surveyors



2x Elm and 1x Maple leaning over road -Fell to as close to ground level as possible by carefully dismantling.

7x Elms to Form into multi knuckle pollard by forming a pollard knuckle at approximately 4m from road level, 50-100mm stubs to be left to aid regrowth.

1x Sycamore Crown lift- Lift the crown to achieve 5.5 metres of clearance above the road by reducing the lowest limb over the road by 2m. Carry out all cuts to BS3998:2010.

T16 common horse chestnut. ///hazel.truly.gardens

Remove branch growing over the road back to main stem.

T 17 Ash ///committed.hill.continued

Fell to as close to ground level as possible by carefully dismantling.

T 18 Sycamore. ///fend.tangent.huddled

Remove two times squirrel damaged limbs growing over the road back to main stem.

T19 Elm ///november.active.ambitions

Remove dead branch over the road.

T-20 Elm tree ///renewals.evolved.betrayal

Fell to near ground level as possible.