

Overhanging Oak trees



B – Site plan with location of trees marked

There are two oak trees that are significantly overhanging the allotment site. They are protected by TPO 1449/2012.

Neither of the trees look particularly healthy as they are under the canopy of larger healthier specimens and are next to the busy A327 so may be suffering from the effects pollution. Growth is poor and spindly.

Following a site visit with [REDACTED] from WBC on 6 August 2025, it was noted that the limbs did not look strong and that there was a significant amount of dead wood amongst the overhang. The limbs are reasonably large so if they did fall on a resident they would cause severe damage. Given the extreme changes in weather and its impact on trees, we feel it would be prudent to act at this stage.

[REDACTED] suggested that I submit an application to request permission to lop the overhanging branches and remove any risk to the allotment ploholders from these two particular trees. Removing the limbs may give the trees an opportunity to conserve energy so they can grow more robustly going forward. It would also remove any risk from litigation for WBC.