



Verification of application Evidence

Date: 2nd April 2026

Applicant Name: Marc Warsap

Tree Location: 16 Japonica Close, Wokingham, RG41 4XJ

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Proposed work covered by TPO [ref number: TPO 770/1995 : PP-14802054]

1. Tree identification and location

T1 – Oak

The tree is located in the front garden of the property and extends towards both the subject property and the neighbouring property. A site plan is included in the application showing the tree's position in relation to surrounding structures, driveway and boundaries.

2. Photographic evidence

Photographic is not available for this submission. The assessment is based on a visual inspection undertaken on Thursday 5th March 2026.

3. Arboricultural assessment and justification

Species: Oak (approximately 20m x 20m)

Condition: Good

Observations:

- Tree has been subject to cyclical management approximately every 4 years.
- Lateral growth extending towards adjacent properties.
- Epicormic growth present on the main stem.

Target considerations:

- Residential buildings on both sides.
- Driveway within the front (east-facing aspect).
- Neighbouring property (west-facing aspect).

Context and management objectives:

The tree is part of an ongoing management regime aimed at retaining a large, prominent specimen while controlling its spread in relation to nearby structures and access areas.

Previous works have maintained the tree form by reducing lateral growth back to establishment pruning points.

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Justification for proposed works:

The proposed works are to continue this established management approach and to:

- Maintain a minimum clearance of approximately 2 meters from adjacent buildings.
- Provide adequate vertical clearance over the driveway.
- Prevent excessive encroachment while retaining the tree's natural form.
- Improve structure through removal of epicormic growth.

The works are proportionate and consistent with previous pruning cycles.

Ongoing management:

It is intended that the tree will continue to be managed on a cyclical basis (approximately every 4 years), maintaining clearances and overall structure.

All works are specified in accordance with BS3998: Tree Work – Recommendations.

4. Proposed work

T1 – Oak (approximately 20m x 20m).

- Reduce the lateral spread back to the previous pruning points by approximately 1-2 meters.
- Crown lift east-facing (over the driveway) to approximately 5-6 meters.
- Crown lift west-facing (over neighbouring property) to approximately 5-6 meters.
- Remove epicormic growth from the main stem.
- Maintain a minimum clearance of approximately 2 meters from adjacent buildings.

5. Declaration regarding evidence

The information provided within this application is based on a visual inspection and professional arboricultural judgement.

Photographic evidence was not available at the time of submission.

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