Sycamore Tree #1, in the most South West corner of boundary. Reduced in height by up to 50% to provide sufficient clearance to property (Currently 7.3 meters away), and to allow light to properties. Tree is positioned at the top of a bank which may become loose in future.

PROFESSIONAL APRAISAL: As advised by Ian Walding, a professional tree surgeon (appraisal was for multiple trees, however, all except one are belonging to a neighbour (Starres Hill and not included within this application): "The trees all appeared to be in generally good health. All of the trees are of such a size that in order to greatly improve the light levels in your garden the trees would need to be reduced in height by up to 50%. This could be achieved in 2 ways: Firstly, the Sycamore and Horse Chestnut could be reduced evenly all over, removing about half the volume of the crown in each case while attempting to leave as much of a natural shape in the trees as possible. Secondly, they could be pollarded, a process by which the height is reduced as required, then all remaining branches removed, leaving just the trunks, which would regrow over a period of several years, after which the process could be repeated."

NOTE: It is to be noted that the tall trees belonging to the North boundary of Starres Hill, Bath Road, Marlborough is included within this appraisal however, they are not included within this application.

REASON FOR WORK: To increase light into property and reduce branches that overhang into neighbours gardens. to provide sufficient clearance to property. The tree is also perched on a bank that hangs over an established neighbour's garden room. This work will reduce risk should the tree be felled naturally.

PROPOSAL FOR REPLACEMENT: To seed, nurture and grow multiple shrubs, flowers and small trees around the garden.

IMAGE / MAP: Attached shows clear position of Sycamore tree (#1), distance between tree to property and also street & house numbers. Image attached shows placement of Sycamore Tree in reference to 7 Betjeman Road, Marlborough which is clearly highlighted in red, the tree highlighted as a white ring. Also clear in drawing is boundary lines between neighbouring properties.

Map download >> https://we.tl/t-QGD5tYRJv0

Thanks