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Site details: Avondale, Brookend Luckington, SN14 6PJ

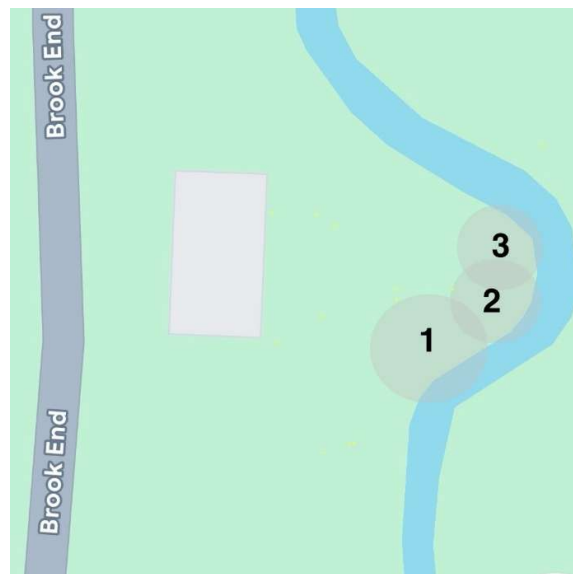
Local Planning Authority: Wiltshire Council

Conservation Area: Luckington

Proposed Works Date: Early February (urgent)

Overall

Trees are located in rear garden between house and brook.



1. Weeping willow *Salix babylonica*

Proposed works: Re-pollard

Reduce the weeping willow back to the secondary scaffold as per previous pollard points. The works are required to manage the tree's size and excessive limb weight and to reduce the risk of limb failure. Pollarding is an appropriate and established management method for this tree and will allow for safe, long-term cyclical management.

Location: Rear garden adjacent to brook. ///suitably.league.braced



2. Field Maple (*Acer Campestre*)

Proposed works: Crown reduction

Reduce the crown of the field maple by approximately 20–30%, shortening selected leaders to suitable growth points to improve shape, reduce overall size, and maintain a balanced, natural form. No excessive pruning wounds will be created.

Location: Rear garden adjacent to brook. ///framework.could.achieving



3. Ash (*Fraxinus excelsior*)

Proposed works: Pollard to low framework / pole

The ash tree has a long, clean stem with no low branches. A conventional crown reduction would result in poor form and limited benefit.

Pollard the tree back to a low framework. This will significantly reduce height and leverage, encourage controlled regrowth, and allow for future cyclical maintenance. The works are intended to improve long-term safety and tree management.

Location: Rear garden adjacent to brook. [///mysteries.sends.plugs](http://mysteries.sends.plugs)



Urgency & Timing Justification

The works are required as a matter of urgency due to the size and structure of the trees, particularly the excessive weight of regrowth on the weeping willow following a prolonged period without re-pollarding. Early February is an appropriate time to undertake the works, as the trees are largely dormant, the risk of nesting bird disturbance is minimal, and pruning at this time will minimise stress and excessive sap bleeding.