



TREE CONDITION SURVEY SCHEDULE  
for  
Cedar Croft

April 2026

# Tree Survey Report

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All significant trees at this site have been inspected on the date stated. Preliminary investigation of health physiological and structural condition in relation to the health and safety of the inspection zone risk level.

**Exception reporting:** Only trees requiring attention are recorded. Report to be viewed in conjunction with Tree Survey Maps.

Signed:

Date(s) of Inspection: **Completed 02/04/26**



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| CLIENT / ESTATE NAME / ADDRESS: | <i>Mr Peter Davidson</i> | SURVEY LEVEL:                                              | <b>Comprehensive</b>                                                 | RISK ZONE LEVEL: | <b>High to Low.</b> | DATE DUE:<br>(if applicable) |                   |
| <i>Cedar Croft, Low Rd</i>      |                          | SITE DESCRIPTION:                                          |                                                                      |                  |                     | N/A                          |                   |
| <i>Little Cheverell</i>         |                          |                                                            | <i>Private garden, roadside and private property boundaries</i>      |                  |                     | DATE OF REPORT/MAPS:         |                   |
| <i>Wilts</i>                    | <i>SN10 4JZ</i>          | KNOWN DESIGNATIONS:<br>(SSSI, Conservation Area, TPO etc.) | <i>Little Cheverell Conservation Area, TPOs – see details below.</i> |                  |                     |                              | <i>23/04/2026</i> |

| Tree No.         | Location description                                            | Location                                                                                        | Species                              | Age Class:       | Condition/Observations                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Recommendations                                          | Health & Safety Risk Priority Category                                                                                                                                                |
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| See notes below: | Location description if required.<br><br>Road/place name, etc.. | Grid Ref, GPS co-ordinates / What3Word address, etc.<br><br>In all cases refer to appended map. | Common tree name or scientific name. | See notes below: | Visual observations of the tree structure, including main stem, limbs, crown and any exposed roots, assessing health, vigour and structural stability. Hazards and risks to local targets is identified and described. | Remedial action to reduce or remove the identified risk. | <b>Critical:</b><br>Immediate action required<br><b>A: React within 1 month</b><br><b>B: React within 6 months</b><br><b>C: React within 12 months</b><br>unless otherwise specified. |

## Tree Numbering:

Where practical, trees are physically tagged using numbered aluminium disc and/or coloured forestry marker paint.

“u/t” = untagged due to size, condition, inaccessibility or prescription (ie: fell).

Trees may not necessarily be recorded in numerical order.

## Age Class Key:

|    |             |                                     |
|----|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| Y  | Young       | First quarter of natural lifespan.  |
| SM | Semi-Mature | Second quarter of natural lifespan. |
| M  | Mature      | Third quarter of natural lifespan.  |
| OM | Over-Mature | Last quarter of natural lifespan.   |
| D  | Dead        |                                     |

Natural lifespan is the expected lifespan for the species, assuming normal growing conditions without adverse factors including damage and disease.

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| T001      | Drive/ entrance          | See map  | Ash     | SM         | Ash Dieback Stage 2. Growing on top of culvert pipe/bridge. Limited rootplate to south and east, no rootplate to north due to stream and culvert. Leaning away from road, over stream and driveway - potentially unstable. | Fell            | <b>B</b>                               |
| Group 002 | Stream bank, garden side | “        | Ash     | Y-SM       | Ash Dieback Stage 2 - 3. Group of 3x growing on stream bank. Rootplates compromised by stream. All leaning towards road, with deadwood present in crown. Unstable.                                                         | Fell            | <b>B</b>                               |
| T003      | Drive/ next to shed      | “        | Ash     | M          | ADB Stage 3. Significant ivy cladding, obscuring main stem and branch unions. Poor, declining condition with unstable deadwood throughout crown.                                                                           | Fell            | <b>B</b>                               |
| T004      | Drive/ next to garage    | “        | Ash     | M          | ADB Stage 2-3. Bifurcated at base, poor union with compression. Rootplate compromised by proximity to garage. Leaning.                                                                                                     | Fell            | <b>B</b>                               |
| T005      | Drive                    | “        | Ash     | Y          | ADB Stage 3-4. Very poor condition. Unstable due to growing on edge of tarmac driveway.                                                                                                                                    | Fell            | <b>B</b>                               |
| T006      | Bank in front of house   | “        | Ash     | SM         | ADB Stage 3. Twin stem with poor compression union at base. Unstable deadwood throughout.                                                                                                                                  | Fell            | <b>B</b>                               |
| T007      | Bank in front of house   | “        | Ash     | SM         | ADB Stage 3. Multi-stem x5, plus 1x sub-dominant young tree. Poor stem unions with compression and suspected internal decay. Unstable deadwood throughout crown. On bank, with potential to collapse onto road.            | Fell            | <b>B</b>                               |

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| T008     | Corner front of house               | See map  | Walnut         | SM         | Overall fair condition. Supporting fallen Lawson Cypress stem.                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Remove LC stem and prune damage as necessary.                     | <b>B</b>                               |
| T009     | Corner back of house                | “        | Lawson Cypress | OM         | Close to corner of house. Large stem diameter up to approx. 2.4m where multiple co-dominant stems emerge from old storm damage and pruning sites. Evidence of numerous failed stems, including recent stem failure into T008. Poor unions and internal decay c | Fell                                                              | <b>B</b>                               |
| T010     | North side of house                 | “        | Birch          | D          | Large standing dead/moribund stem. Numerous fallen limbs. Advanced decay in main stem, with Birch Polypore fungal fruiting bodies. Ivy clad.                                                                                                                   | Fell                                                              | <b>B</b>                               |
| T011     | Boundary fence, north side of house | “        | Red Oak        | M          | TPO "T1" Large tree with fork above 2.5m. Asymmetric crown, leaning with bias eastwards. Lateral limb over-extension as a result. Some deadwood present in crown, and exposed deadwood area on lowest lateral limb - possible squirrel damage. Crown vital     | Re-assess for vitality in summer. Sever ivy. Remove damaged limb. | <b>B</b>                               |
| T012     | Boundary fence, north side of house | “        | Sweet Chestnut | M          | Large tree on boundary line. Forked above 1.7m. Stable deadwood throughout crown. Crown vitality undetermined as not in leaf at time of survey.                                                                                                                | Re-assess for vitality in summer.                                 | <b>C</b>                               |
| T013     | North side of house                 | “        | Lawson Cypress | OM         | Large co-dominant twin stem from base. Stem on east-side has split at 3m down to 1.5m and fallen into T010 (Birch). Still attached. Remaining stem is poor in form with increased risk of failure due to exposure to wind.                                     | Fell all stems                                                    | <b>B</b>                               |

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| T014     | Bank at back of house                      | See map  | Walnut         | SM         | Overall fair condition. Some deadwood in crown, including dead limbs hung up from fallen adjacent tree T024 which is believed to be TPO "T2" now dead. See notes below                                                                                      | Remove deadwood hangers.                                  | <b>C</b>                               |
| T015     | Inside greenhouse on bank at back of house | "        | Walnut         | Y          | Growing in tumble-down greenhouse. Poor form due to contorted growth through greenhouse frame. Roots assumed to be poorly formed. Access to base difficult.                                                                                                 | Fell                                                      | <b>B</b>                               |
| T016     | Bank at back of house                      | "        | Copper Beech   | OM         | TPO "T3". Large tree established on steep bank, with 1 main stem and 2x sweeping sub-dominant limbs on north/west side. Overall condition appears good for age. Vitality undertermined as not in leaf at time of survey, however, no obvious signs of decli | Consider removing the small Holly to avoid future issues. | <b>C</b>                               |
| T017     | Bank at back of house                      | "        | Norway Spruce  | OM         | Large maiden stem, possibly former Xmas Tree. Overall condition fair, slight asymmetry due to position close to T016.                                                                                                                                       | No work required                                          |                                        |
| T018     | Corner of house (south)                    | "        | Ash            | Y/SM       | ADB Stage 3-4. Poor form and condition, growing on top of bank next to house. Forked with poor union.                                                                                                                                                       | Fell                                                      | <b>B</b>                               |
| T019     | Corner back of house                       | "        | Ash            | Y/SM       | ADB Stage 2-3. Twin stem from base, growing close to house. Has dropped limbs.                                                                                                                                                                              | Fell                                                      | <b>B</b>                               |
| T020     | Bank south of house                        | "        | Sweet Chestnut | M          | TPO "T4". Overall condition fair, with minor stable deadwood throughout. Vitality of crown undetermined as not in leaf at time of survey.                                                                                                                   | Re-assess for vitality in summer.                         | <b>B</b>                               |

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| Group 021 | Bank south of house              | See map  | Mixed Conifer  | SM/M       | Group of 5 trees including 4x Norway Spruce and 1x Yew. Some ivy cladding.                                                                                                       | Sever ivy                                                                                         | <b>C</b>                               |
| T022      | Boundary fence south             | "        | Ash            | M          | ADB Stage 3-4. On boundary line, with majority of crown bias overhanging boundary. Significant ivy cladding obscuring main stem and branch unions. Poor condition, but low risk. | Minimum: sever ivy to reduce weight and windsail burden. Consider felling as part of other works. | <b>B</b>                               |
| Group 023 | Corner back of house, north side | "        | Lawson Cypress | SM         | Next to T009. Overgrown hedge - 3x trees previously pruned at approx. 2m, now regrown with numerous unstable upright stems, several failures and evidence of decay and weakness. | Fell all                                                                                          | <b>B</b>                               |
| T024      | Bank at back of house            | "        | Walnut (Dead)  | D          | TPO "T2". Fallen dead. Partially hung up in T014.                                                                                                                                | No work required                                                                                  |                                        |

## Notes

A Tree Preservation Order is recorded on the property, dating from 16<sup>th</sup> July 2003 (confirmed 12<sup>th</sup> December 2004), covering four trees:

T1 – Red Oak

T2 – Walnut

T3 – Copper Beech

T4 – Sweet Chestnut

Wiltshire Council Ref: E/418 (formerly ordered by Kennet District Council)

T2 Walnut has subsequently died and collapsed/ fallen within the property, approximately 10 years ago.

Property is wholly within the Little Cheverell Conservation Area.

TPO works require approval from Wiltshire Council.

All other related tree works require minimum 6 weeks prior notification to Wiltshire Council.

## General observations regarding Ash and Ash Dieback (ADB) within the limits of this survey.

Ash Dieback is now endemic across the UK, causing the rapid decline in condition of this species and is predicted to result in the eventual loss of at least 80% of the UK Ash tree population.

Not all Ash trees surveyed are affected to the same degree: some may appear in better physiological condition than others, but it is assumed that all are infected.

Symptomatic crown dieback severely compromises the structural integrity of the tree and increases its susceptibility to secondary infections and wind damage, resulting in limb drop and ultimately whole tree failure.

The reduction in crown vigour and density allows the advantageous development of Ivy; as well as hindering visual inspection of the tree, this increases the weight and wind-loading on weakened trees further increasing the likelihood of failure.

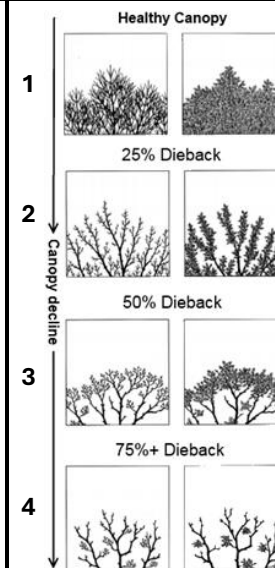
A policy of increased frequency informal or basic-level surveys is recommended to monitor the decline of Ash trees.

Felling of infected trees is recommended, prioritising the removal of affected trees before they become severely destabilised. This is particularly relating to roadside trees.

Trees showing resistance to infection should be retained where possible.

Ivy should be severed at the base of all Ash trees to reduce weight and wind load effect.

The stage of Ash Dieback is categorised using the following vitality scale:



## END OF SURVEY

### Survey level competence and qualification:

**Basic Level:** Routine Inspections carried out by competent persons (not necessarily arboricultural specialists). To be competent, a working knowledge of trees and their defects is required. A competent person should also have received suitable basic training: ie: LANTRA Award for Basic Tree Inspections.

**Comprehensive Level:** Detailed inspections may only be carried out by qualified arboricultural practitioners holding at least one of the following qualifications:

*Level 5-6 QCF in Arboriculture (Qualifications and Credits Framework)*  
*Technician's Certificate in Arboriculture*  
*Higher National Certificate in Arboriculture (NQF Level 4)*  
*Higher National Diploma in Arboriculture (NQF Level 5)*

*Foundation Degree in Arboriculture (FDSc) (NQF Level 5)*  
*RFS Professional Diploma in Arboriculture (NQF Level 6)*  
*Honours Degree (BSc Hons) in Arboriculture*  
*LANTRA Award Professional Tree Inspection Certificate*

### Limitation of survey:

Ground-based survey, undertaken on foot, using binoculars and hand tools where appropriate. No decay detection or ground penetration equipment was used.

It is the Client's responsibility to adhere to all current legislation relating to the protection of wildlife, Tree Protection Orders and Conservation Areas.

This survey is valid for 12 months but will be compromised within that time period by extreme weather events such as drought, high winds, heavy snow fall, etc. or external physical impacts such as root compaction, deep ploughing or trenching nearby.

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