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Tree Hazard Assessment Report	18 February 2026

Site Address:	Ref:
Archers Court Castle Street Salisbury SP1 3WE	TS/54326/AC

Client:
Hants & Dorset Gardening Services Ltd

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1.0 Terms of Reference

1.1 Treecall Consulting is instructed by the client to inspect the trees at the site and provide a preliminary report which recommends appropriate work to reduce risks to people and property.

2.0 Report Limitations

2.1 This report is based on arboricultural findings made at the time of the site visit. Details of my qualifications and experience in arboriculture are included in Appendix A.

2.2 The report is for the sole use of the client and was produced in line with the above terms of reference. It should not be used for any other purposes or by any other parties.

2.3 All trees within and immediately adjacent to the communal areas of the site were inspected visually and from ground level only unless otherwise stated. A sounding mallet and/or probe may have been used where appropriate but detailed internal investigation with decay detection equipment was not carried out. Inspection of trees on adjacent land is limited to what can be clearly seen from within the site and is aimed solely at identifying potential hazards to users of the site.

3.0 Introduction

3.1 Context

3.1.1 The Occupiers Liability Acts (1957 and 1984) require that premises, including the trees, are kept reasonably safe for residents, employees, guests and visitors.

3.1.2 The responsibility for the safety of trees rests with the site owner or the person who has control of tree management. A prudent approach to this issue can be demonstrated by routine inspections of all significant trees, carrying out all recommendations relating to safety of people and property.

3.2 Tree Inspection History

3.2.1 The trees on the site have not been inspected by Treecall Consulting before and no previous tree survey information was provided. The inspection which is the subject of this report was carried out on 6 February 2026.

3.3 Statutory Tree Protection

3.3.1 According to the Wiltshire Council website, which was checked on 18 February 2026, one hornbeam in the southwest corner of the site is protected

by a tree preservation order. The site is not shown to be within a conservation area.

3.3.2 Where trees are protected by a TPO or are within a conservation area consent for pruning or felling must be sought from the local planning authority (LPA). For trees protected by a TPO the LPA will issue a decision granting or refusing consent, with conditions if appropriate. In conservation areas, the LPA have six weeks to decide whether to object to the proposals by making a TPO on the trees; if they do not, then the work can proceed. Certain tree work – principally relating to dead wood / trees and urgent safety work – is exempt from this application process, though may still require prior notice to be given.

3.3.3 Where this report gives recommendations for tree work, section 5.1.1 below will include clarification as to which elements require consent.

4.0 Survey Findings

4.1 There are only a small number of trees within the site; a hornbeam in the southwest corner, a group of cherry & birch by the northern boundary and a short row of junipers & a small Lawson cypress in the interior.

4.2 Notable issues and an appraisal of their significance in respect of either tree safety or general management are recorded in the tree schedule in Appendix C. Trees for which there are no notable issues are not recorded.

5.0 Recommendations

5.1 Tree Work

5.1.1 The tree work schedule in Appendix C includes all the work, identified by the current inspection, which needs to be addressed before the next recommended inspection. The work identified in respect of T1 requires consent from the LPA and Treecall Consulting can submit the necessary application on behalf of the client, if requested.

5.1.2 All work specified in this report should be carried out by qualified arboricultural contractors working to industry best practice and in accordance with British Standard 3998:2010[1]. All tree management work must take account of the Wildlife and Countryside Act, 1981, as amended by the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000, and the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017. This legislation makes it a criminal offence to disturb the nests and to injure or kill nesting birds or bats.

[1] British Standards Institution, 2010. *Tree work – Recommendations.* London: BSI Standards Limited

5.2 Monitoring & Re-inspection

5.2.1 Tree health and condition can change over time and be affected by the environment; therefore, regular periodic inspections are needed to ensure any changes are identified and appropriate, timely action taken.

5.2.2 The trees within the site are recommended to be re-inspected in summer 2028.

5.2.3 All trees should be checked for obvious signs of problems following high winds. Changes to the trees should be noted, including uplifted roots, raised soil around the tree base and cracked or broken branches that are suspended in the crown. Where any problems are identified or suspected, Treecall Consulting should be contacted for further advice.

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Appendix A: Qualifications and Experience

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Andrew has over 15 years' experience in the arboricultural industry and is a Professional member of the Arboricultural Association.

His career began at Bournemouth Borough Council (now part of BCP Council) where he was part of the development management team dealing with all aspects of the management of protected trees and providing advice and guidance regarding trees and construction. Andrew then joined Treecall Consulting as an Arboricultural Consultant where he has further developed his skills and deepened his knowledge of trees through both ongoing professional development and practical experience of serving a wide range of private clients. In 2025 he took on the ownership and management of the consultancy business.

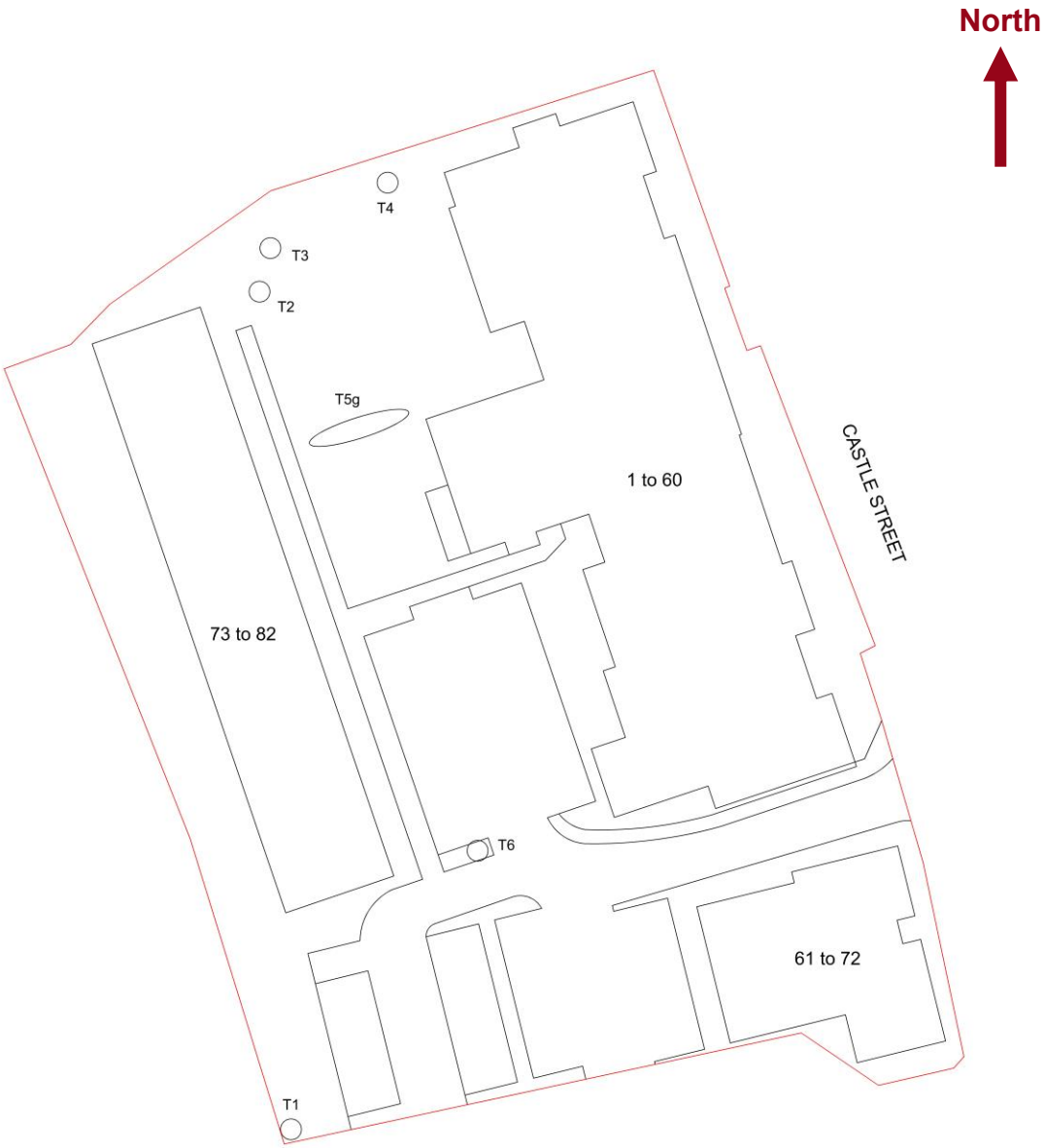
Andrew has achieved the Level 6 Diploma in Arboriculture, which is endorsed by the Royal Forestry Society and is the premier qualification within the arboricultural profession. He also holds the Royal Forestry Society Certificate in Arboriculture, the Arboricultural Association Technician's Certificate in Arboriculture and the LANTRA professional tree inspection certificate.

The information presented in this report is based on the information provided and site observations. Conclusions and recommendations are the result of experience within the arboricultural industry.

Arboricultural ASSOCIATION Professional Member

Appendix B: Site Plan

- The circles show the approximate positions of the trees referred to in this report.
- The red line shows the approximate site boundary.
- This plan is not to scale.



Appendix C: Tree Work Schedule

Key:

- **Tree No** – Refer to site plan for tree locations.
- **Species** – Identifies the tree as clearly as possible according to common or botanical name.
- **Observations & Appraisal** – Notable issues / observations and an assessment of their significance.
- **Recommendations** – Tree work identified as necessary to reduce risks to people and property or to aid tree development.
- **Timescale** – Timescale within which work should be carried out, assessed using size of defects, likelihood of failure and likelihood of injury/damage if failure occurs. The following categories are used;
    - **Urgent** – Reserved for the most serious issues where failure is likely to be imminent and work needs to be carried out as soon as possible
    - **1 month** – Work to prevent failure where serious damage may not be inevitable, perhaps because access to an area can be excluded, but it still needs to be carried out quickly
    - **6 months** – Routine work where there is a moderate chance of damage and / or where seasonal considerations are relevant, such as stormy weather or bird-nesting
    - **12 months** – Routine work where there is only a low chance of damage occurring and no seasonal considerations
    - **n/a** – Used for work identified for reasons other than safety that can be carried out when convenient (though delays can lead to other problems)

Tree Work Schedule

Tree No	Species	Observations & Appraisal	Recommendations	Timescale
1	Hornbeam	Dieback in centre of crown. Narrow strip of loose bark on north side of stem from ground level to 2.5m. Long low branch on east side overhanging carport and turning up at end. Long branch is overextended and becoming 'hazard beam', with increased likelihood of failure.	Remove branch.	6 months
2	Cherry	Close to and leaning towards adjacent building. Old pruning wounds around 2.5 from building at first floor. Sufficient clearance from building at present.	None.	-
3	Cherry	Two long low ascending branches projecting southeast beyond crown line. Branches are overextended so are exposed to additional wind pressure whilst being slender, thus have increased likelihood of failure.	Shorten both branches to suitable pruning points around 4m from stem.	6 months
4	Himalayan birch	Slight lean to southeast. No signs of instability.	None.	-

Tree No	Species	Observations & Appraisal	Recommendations	Timescale
5g	Juniper	Row of three trees with a gap (appears one previously removed). All multi-stemmed from ground level. Middle and east tree both have browning foliage, east tree more so. Browning foliage suggests the trees are struggling, which may be due to a pest/pathogen or environmental conditions. No obvious cause. No safety implications.	None.	-
6	Lawson cypress	Small multi-stemmed tree. Low quality tree but no specific issues.	None.	-

T1

T2 – Approximate pruning point indicated

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