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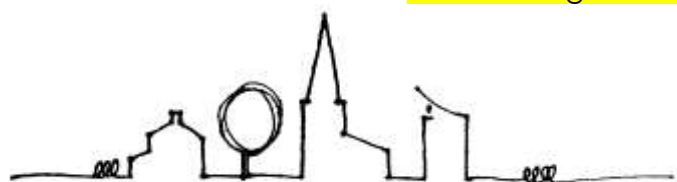
SOUTH WRAXALL **South Wraxall Manor** **Pilates Studio**



Tree Survey
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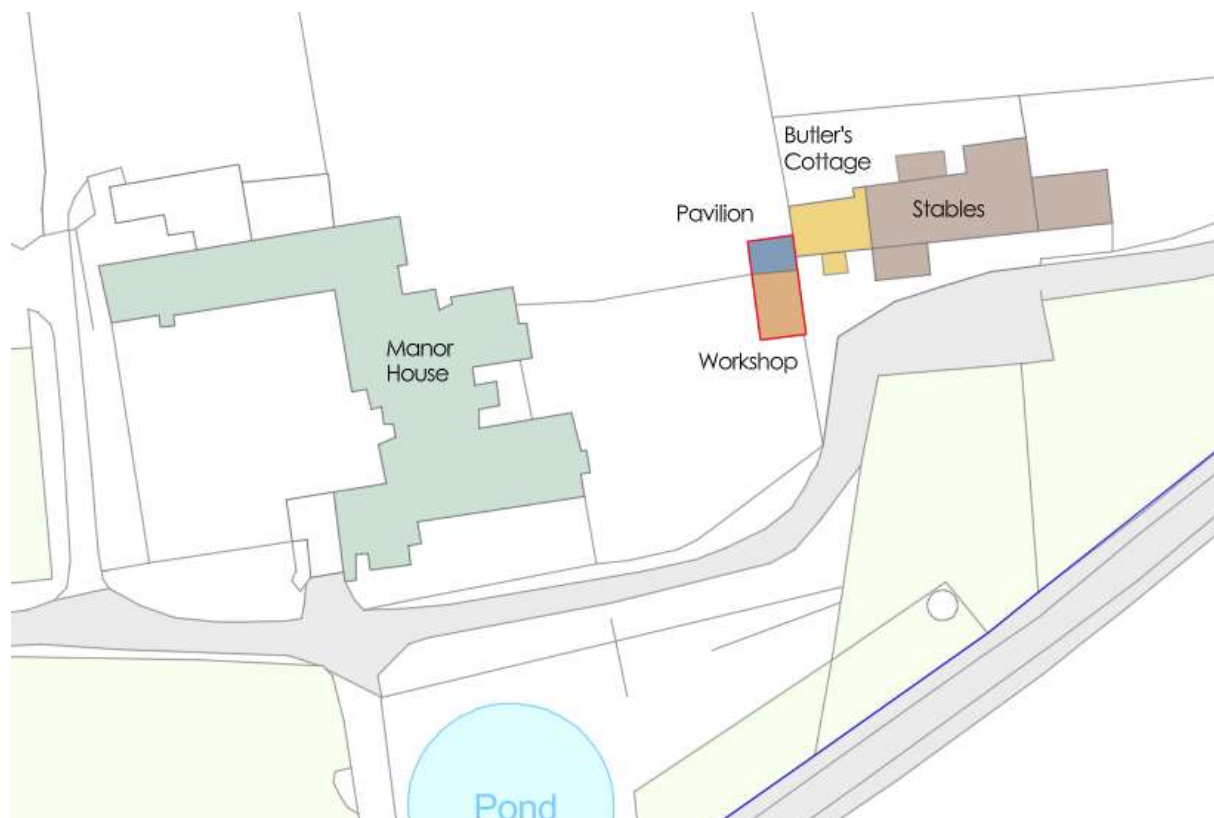


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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. This document forms part of a planning and listed building consent application to Wiltshire Council for alterations to an existing outbuilding to provide a Pilates Studio, self-contained sauna and changing facilities for use by the householder.
- 1.2. To be read in conjunction with the following documents:
 - i. Existing & proposed drawings
 - ii. Historic Development of the Outbuildings – report by benjamin + beauchamp architects
 - iii. Archaeological report prepared by Michael Heaton in 2002 in association with works to the main house
 - iv. 2no. ecological reports by Greena Ecology
- 1.3. The existing buildings to be altered include:
 - i. Workshop: this building dates from the mid/late C20, constructed of rubble stone walls incorporating borrowed historic elements of dressed stone, artificial stone slate roof incorporating a rooflight.
 - ii. Pavilion: this dates from the C19, constructed of rubble stone walls, natural stone slate roof. It is currently used from storage and incorporates electrical switch gear.



2. EXISTING TREES

- 2.1. The buildings to be converted are located in the south-east corner of a large walled garden containing a number of semi-mature and mature trees and shrubs. The site lies within the Lower & South Wraxall Conservation Area and is described in the 1981 appraisal document.
- 2.2. Approximately 2.5m to the north of the buildings to be converted is a semi-mature, multi stemmed **whitebeam** tree. Stem diameter 400mm, height 9 meters.
- 2.3. Approximately 7 meters further to the north is a mature ash tree, stem diameter 550mm height 10 meters, this has a canopy which overlaps that of the whitebeam.

3. ASSESSMENT

- 3.1. The Root Protection Area (RPA) of the **whitebeam** is calculated at 72sqm. It is proposed to excavate ground levels adjacent to the workshop buildings to provide access to them from the garden. The workshop buildings are set approximately 800mm lower than the walled garden. The proposed area of excavation will be within the RPA of the hornbeam.



RPA is indicated in white above

- 3.2. Recommendation: the **whitebeam** is presently located within 2.5 meters of two curtilage listed buildings. At this distance, should the tree be allowed to mature it is likely that structural damage to these buildings will result.

4. PHOTOGRAPHS



The **whitebeam** tree as viewed from the walled garden, branches of the neighbouring ash tree can be seen on the left of the view, the workshop to be altered on the right and Butler's Cottage is behind.



View from outside of the walled garden, Butler's Cottage is on the left, the more substantial ash tree on the right (outside of walled garden) **whitebeam** in the middle view.

ADDED NOTE: AUGUST 2026

A tree survey and arboricultural assessment has been commissioned and will be added to this application in due course. The conclusions of the report are very similar to the above. Upon reflection, the applicant would prefer not to lose the whitebeam tree and consequently the proposals have been altered to avoid a reduction of ground levels within the RPA.