Property Risk Inspection
LIMITED

SITE MEETING REPORT

For:	**Client:** Sedgwick International UK **Insurer:**	**Client Ref:** 10227397 **Insurer Ref:**
PRI Ref:	300162	
Policy Holder:		
Risk Address:	3 Elm Close, Kings Ripton, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire, PE28 2NN	
Arborist:	[redacted]	
Date of Meeting:	13-11-2024	**Meeting Time:** 11:00
Location:	3 Elms Close, Kings Ripton, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire, PE28 2NN	
In Attendance:	[redacted] (Tree Officer) and [redacted] (PRI)	
Report Date:	14-11-2024	
Report QC:	[redacted]	
QC Date:	20-11-2024	

1.0 REASON FOR VISIT

1.1 To discuss mitigation options for T1 Elm.

2.0 OUTCOME OF VISIT

Summary:

2.1 A heavy reduction in the form of Hortlink 212 Pruning has been agreed. Other issues noted were the potential presence of bats within the tree, significant Ivy growth and fungal bodies on the trunk of T1.

Key Issues:

2.2 T1 Elm has not had any significant management apart from the reduction of limbs previously encroaching on the property. This tree now requires significant works to mitigate against the damage caused to No.3, Hortlink 212 pruning has been agreed in the form of a 30% linear reduction equating to 75% of total crown volume. The trunk of this tree is clad with Ivy and as such inspection of the of the trunk is currently unattainable, therefore it has been recommended by the tree officer to strip the Ivy up to 6.5m. With regards to bats within the tree, it is recommended that an aerial cavity inspection is undertaken before the reduction is undertaken. Any potential roosts should be noted, although it is unlikely that these roosts will be affected by the pruning which will remove the smaller branches on the crown's extremities (we would expect, if any, roosts to be present in the centre of the tree which will be unaffected). It is recommended that tree works are carried out with the use of a mobile elevated work platform (MEWP), as the site allows for access, and this will limit disruption to any potential roosts. A fruiting fungal body has been noted at the base of the trunk of T1, indicating internal decay which is expected for a tree of this age. Epicormic growth has also been noted which also suggests this tree is in decline/stressed.

Recommendations:

2.3 Proceed with TPO application for Hortlink pruning to T1. Strip Ivy from trunk up to 6.5m. Complete reduction with MEWP once consent has been received.

3.0 OTHER NOTES

3.1 The tree officer stated that he will shortly be leaving the council, however he will pass on all relevant information to the new appointment.

To discuss the above or the contents of our Site Meeting Report, please contact:

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4.0 MEETING PHOTOGRAPHS



Proposed reduction (T1 Elm)



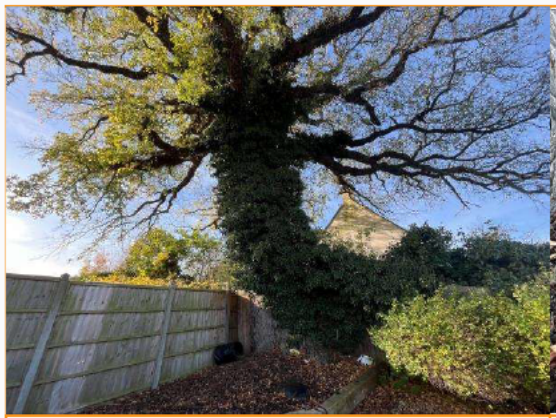
T1 Elm



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Previously reduced limbs



Ivy clad trunk (T1 Elm)



Fungal bodies (T1 Elm)

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