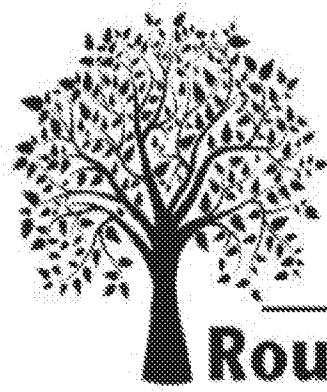




Round Top Trees

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To Whomever it may concern,

I am writing regarding the works proposed to be carried out at Aldingbourne Nursery, Nyton Road. Upon visiting the site I identified a tree line consisting primarily of various mature Leylandii along the North-East property boundary. The trees in question are approximately 12 metres in height, 1.8 metres in circumference and appear to be in good health. Several of trees in the tree line do have medium sized limbs which have snapped, most likely due to severe wind conditions. I would recommending target pruning the damaged areas and reducing all trees in the tree line in height by approximately 3.5 metres to improve vigour and prevent further limb failure.

My client is considering the installation of various polytunnels, though is concerned about the proximity to the aforementioned tree line. The method of construction for the project would involve making a 2.5 metre hole approximately 0.5 metres wide, then installing ground anchors to hold the tunnels in place. The only concern of these works is the potential root damage involved, for which I would recommend a 5 metre exclusion zone for any heavy machinery used in digging the holes for the installation. Considering the minimum distance between the tree line and the proposed polytunnels is 5 metres, I have no reason to suspect that proceeding with the project would cause damage to either the trees or the installed tunnels. Once the excavation works have been completed I would recommend pruning any roots exposed to promote healthy regrowth before installing the tunnels. Given the trees appear to have reached maturity I have no concerns about structural or root damage following the installation of the tunnels. Once they have been installed it is improbable that any issues would arise from the root structure of the trees.

I do not believe that proceeding with the proposed works would result in any damage to the trees in question and would recommend following the above mentioned precautions to ensure the project proceeds as smoothly as possible and to promote a healthy future for the above-mentioned species.

Sincerely,

Jake Davies

Director of Round Top Trees Limited

Tree No.	Identification	Recommendation
T1-T9	Various mature leylandii, appear to be in good health. Approximately 12 metres in height and 1.8 metres in circumference. A selection of these trees have snapped branches, likely due to heavy wind conditions. Not within notable proximity to the proposed works to be of any concern.	Reduce trees in height by approximately 3.5 metres and target prune any damaged areas within the next couple of years to improve vigour, promote healthy regrowth and to reduce the risk of further limb damage in the future.
T10-T18	Various mature leylandii in good health. Trees are approximately 5-10 metres from the edge of the proposed works area. Due to the minimum distance between the trees and the edge of the work area being greater than 5 metres there is no possibility of root damage that would negatively affect them in any way. Any roots exposed would benefit from pruning.	Maintain a 5 metre exclusion zone for heavy machinery to prevent root damage. Target prune any damaged limbs and reduce in height by approximately 3.5 metres. Root prune T12, T13, T14, T16 and T18 due to proximity to planned works area (≈5m) with the intention of promoting healthy regrowth.
T19-T23	Various mature leylandii, appear to be in good health. Approximately 12 metres in height and 1.8 metres in circumference. A selection of these trees have snapped branches, likely due to heavy wind conditions. Not within notable proximity to the proposed works to be of any concern.	Reduce trees in height by approximately 3.5 metres and target prune any damaged areas within the next couple of years to improve vigour, promote healthy regrowth and to reduce the risk of further limb damage in the future.