

Remove main stems above pollard point (height reduction of between 11m-12m), reduce smaller stems and branches by 7m and leave existing live branch stubs *in situ*. While this may be considered excessive pruning of a lapsed pollard in many species, I believe that it is acceptable in this instance due to the potential for stem failure along with the fact that there is evidence to prove that even veteran lime pollards have been re-pollarded after a lapse of 30-40 years without ill effect.

10.2 Ash (*Fraxinus excelsior*)

Dismantle and fell tree to just above ground level and retain stump as habitat. Re-plant with appropriate species to maintain screening and tree cover.

- 10.3 Pruning and felling operations should be in accordance with BS 3998:2010 British Standards Tree work – Recommendations.

11.0 REFERENCES

- 11.1 Principles of tree hazard assessment and management – D. Lonsdale
11.2 BS 3998:2010 British Standards Tree work – Recommendations.
11.3 Updated field guide for visual tree assessment – C. Mattheck
11.4 The body language of trees – a handbook for failure analysis – C. Mattheck, H. Breloer
11.5 Veteran Trees – a guide to good management – Helen Read

12.0 DETAILS

- 12.1 Dates of inspection - 22.09.14
12.2 Present at inspection - Jonathan Rodwell NCH (Arb)
12.3 Date of report - 02/10/14

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