

LAND AT
ROUNDSTONE LANE
ANGMERING
WEST SUSSEX

TREE REPORT FOR
ENGLISH OAK NO. T22

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1. INSPECTION DETAIL FOR ENGLISH OAK TREE NO. T22

- 1.1. ACD Arboriculture was instructed to carry out an emergency tree inspection on Tuesday 29th September, on English oak tree no. T22 within the development site designated as Land at Roundstone Lane, Angmering, West Sussex.
- 1.2. The site was visited by Stephen Dale in order to assess the structural condition of the tree, following the loss of a significant portion of the crown. The tree was assessed from ground level only.
- 1.3. The site is currently undergoing enabling works for the approved planning application for the construction of a number of residential dwellings.
- 1.4. Reference should be made to ACD Arboricultural Tree Report, which was compiled for the planning application, reference BSH17576tr dated January 2011.
- 1.5. The tree is shown as retained on approved planning documentation and forms part of the public open space element within the design proposals.

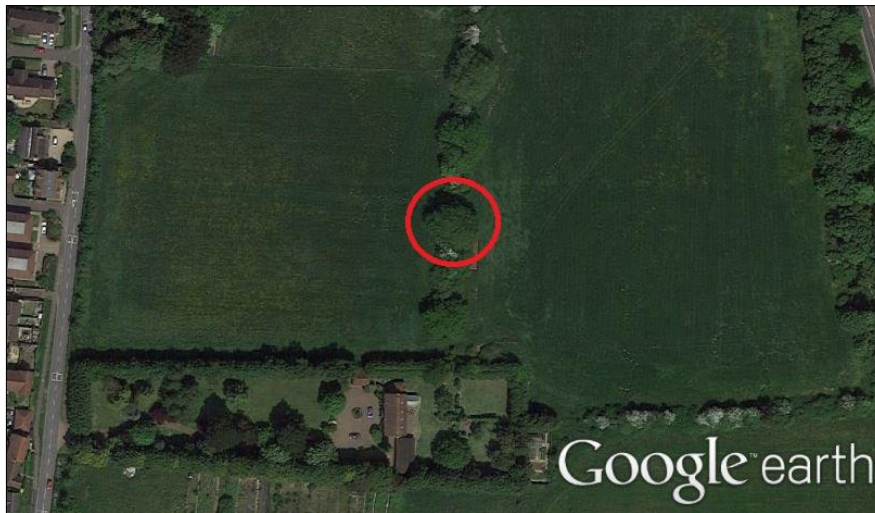


Figure 1: Overview of T22 position.



Figure 2: Showing historic photo of English oak tree no. T22 (right side).

- 1.6. On inspection of the tree it is evident that the tree has failed at the bifurcation of the trunk. This has resulted in a significant trunk wound and longitudinal cracking running downwards from point of failure (figure 3). The tree has likely failed at this point due to the extent of the decay within the trunk bifurcation and wind loading through the tree crown. The tree is surrounded on both sides by open space.
- 1.7. Given the extent of incipient decay at the point of failure and the longitudinal cracking which has resulted it is reasoned that the retention of the tree is no longer suitable.
- 1.8. The tree is retained as an element of the Public Open Space and as such will be frequented by persons on a regular basis. If the tree was to fail further there is a high risk of personal injury and/or damage to proposed dwellings.
- 1.9. In conclusion the tree should be removed at the earliest opportunity and replaced with a suitable individual that will make a continued long term contribution to the local landscape.

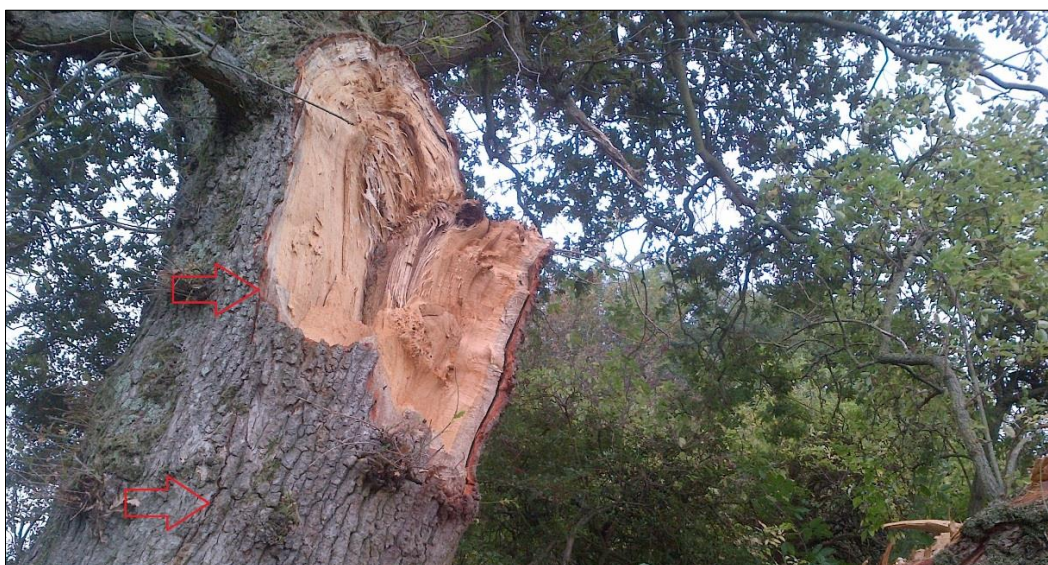


Figure 3: Showing failure point of trunk bifurcation and longitudinal cracking of trunk.



Figure 4 & 5: Showing extent of decay with failed scaffold branch (l) & crown loss due to failure.

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