

REASONS FOR PROPOSED TREE WORK

T1 ornamental Cherry opposite 35 & 37 Gateway Lodge:

Sectional fell

The tree is in decline

There is scope to replant, however, this has not been discussed

T2 Olive opposite 16 & 18 Gateway Lodge:

Reduce apical and lateral spread by a maximum of c.2.0m

Current height 6.0m

Finished height 4.0m

	<u>Current branch length</u>	<u>Finished branch length</u>
North	3.0m	2.0m
East	3.5m	2.0m
South	3.5m	2.0m
West	3.0m	2.0m

Prune off the roof to clear the fabric of the building by 1m

General maintenance to maintain a small tree for a restricted area

T3 Horse Chestnut opposite 52 Gateway Lodge:

Sectional fell

The path around the southwest aspect of Gateway Lodge has been constructed tight to the basal area of the tree resulting in issues relating to path lifting, surface cracking and the resulting trip hazard.

The issue has been remedied in the past with new surfacing laid over the top of the lifting area, however, the problem has returned with further lifting and surface cracking.

On the lower stem, exudations were noted emanating from areas of bark suggesting an underlying condition.

Within the upper crown, a cavity appears to be forming at the point of a failed union – its depth and condition is unclear from the ground.

The residents of Gateway Lodge are elderly with some using walking sticks and wheelchairs for mobility.

Although the loss of the tree would be unfortunate, there is scope to plant a replacement tree in the lawn area to the south thus allowing the path to be reinstated with a level surface.