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Dear Diana **Ref: Your Lime tree in the rear garden**

Following my visit to inspect the tree, I confirm the following findings:

This tree which you inform me was planted in the late 1970s by you and your late husband has evolved into a large spreading tree with substantial buttress roots. It has a trunk which bifurcates at 2 meters in height. The Trunk has a cavity present on the South side approximately 1.5 meters up from where a limb was removed some years ago.

I can conclude that this tree is a dominant vigorous tree in your garden. It is only just getting into maturity and still has plenty of growing to do. As a species it has by no means reached its potential in size. I can agree with you that the tree is dominating for a small garden like yours. The ground to the west of this tree is home to an extensive belt of mature and semi mature broadleaved trees, such as Birth, Cherry and Sycamore.

I confirm that this tree will be best removed before it establishes its self as a tall mature specimen. The bifurcation on the truck is not ideal due to the close proximity to your property. The tree, if left, will need managing to avoid a potential failure at the bifurcation. My advice is to remove the tree in its entirety and replace with a species more suitable for a small garden. The belt of tree to the west will still provide you with a dense tree line to look out on.

I hope the above advice is of help. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions.



John Bentley ND Arb