

Arboricultural Assessment of Sycamore at 54 Sea Way

The sycamore tree (T1 on the outline plan) is a healthy but very large tree – approximately 20 metres high from ground level. The tree overhangs neighbouring gardens and annoys neighbours by shading them partially and providing a potential hazard when there are high winds. The neighbour (Kevin Seaman of 56 Sea Way) has continually requested that the tree is reduced.

There are other trees in the vicinity – especially an oak tree in the garden of 54 Sea Way – that are much more interesting specimens and already provide a large degree of amenity value. The sycamore T1 does not. It has grown very substantially over the past 30 years and now presents a size and scale that presents a threat to garden walls and neighbouring properties, especially the garden shed at 56 Sea Way.

The proposal is to reduce the branches and crown of the tree by up to 30%. The tree will be reduced by a professional tree surgeon to ensure the ongoing safety and balance of the tree.

The 2 tree surgeons consulted both felt this would be advantageous for the long term health of the tree.