

Answer to Question**7 Identification of tree and Description of work.**

Pine T 23 to cut down and remove trunk. Replace with a heavy standard pine tree 1,75 to 2m in adjacent location.

For a number of years this particular Pine tree has caused some issues to an adjacent concrete driveway. The roots lifted and broke up the concrete to the extent that the driveway was dug up and a temporary flexible surface installed.

See appendix one, Driveway Root Damage

Now the home owner wants to re install a driveway and is concerned that to achieve the necessary height for a proper flexible surface would lead to a severe hump from the road.

See appendix two, Reason why "No Dig" root overlay is impractical.

Since the last application, the Harefield estate has written a tree strategy which it has been working to for the last several years.

One of the aims of the strategy is to ensure that the existing Pines, which are coming to the end of their lives, are steadily replaced to maintain a diverse age range. The owner of the driveway has offered to pay to fell and replant a suitable tree at their cost which is in line with the strategy, and pay for it.

The access leads to a potential development site.