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Mr & Mrs Wadlow
Lodge Cottage
The Street
Walberton
Arundel.

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Dear David and Julie

Thank you for inviting me to look at and discuss the various tree and hedge issues you have at Lodge Cottage.

I am happy to submit the necessary planning application on your behalf for work which we discussed.

It is a lovely enclosed walled garden within the Walberton conservation area. The two main trees of significance are the Magnolia grandiflora and the Fig, both on the west boundary wall. These two trees are in need of minimal pruning due to the weight of recent growth causing the trees to come away from the wall.

Works to Fig and Magnolia: Prune back easterly lateral growth by 1.5 Metres

Either side the gate are two small Leylandii blocks of hedging. These hedges have large dead areas where they have been smothered by other growth and possibly cut back too hard in the past. I don't see these Leylandii as being in keeping with the style of your garden. I recommend that they are removed to allow for new planting.

Work to Leylandii: Fell and grub out. Replant with 1 metre high Yew and/or Beech.

Purple Malus, in the lawn area. This tree is a poor specimen and the foliage colour very dominant for its central location. I recommend this small tree is removed and replaced with a Malus floribunda, with a finer pale green leaf and smaller fruit more appealing to birds.

Work to Purple Malus: Fell

Finally along the wall next to the street, I recommend you could plant approximately five standard Beech. These are good for topiary. Keep a clear stem and box hedge the tops. The beech hedge theme is strong in this area of the village and this would match in well.

I hope you find the above of help in structuring your plans for this walled garden.

If you require more details they will gladly be provided. Please do get in touch if I can be of any further help.

Yours sincerely

John Bentley NDarb