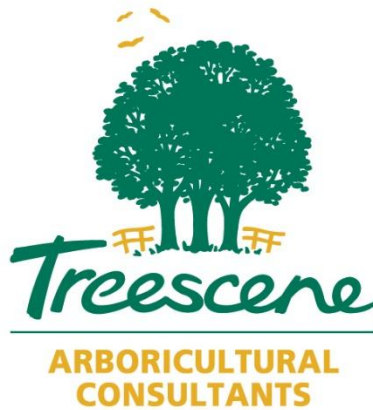




Tree Survey

At

**Hollycroft,
Midway Lane,
Abergavenny**

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Brief

I have been instructed by Ms. Elene Gegeshidze of Amity Planning to carry out a survey on trees at Hollycroft, Midway Lane, Abergavenny.

Scope of Report

This Tree Survey has been undertaken within the recommendations of British Standards 5837:2012 and current good arboricultural practice.

The survey entailed a visual inspection from ground level of all trees.

Each tree has been numbered and, where instructed, have been tagged using small durable metal or plastic tags.

Due to variations of existing ground levels through the site, height dimensions are estimated and are given in metres.

Trunk/stem diameters are measured at 1.5 metres above ground level, or immediately above the root flare for multi-stemmed trees.

Estimated branch spread is taken in metres from the centre of the trunk, at the four cardinal points of a compass, to achieve an accurate representation of crown shape.

An assessment of a tree's age classification is made in terms of its maturity within the site's landscape.

An assessment of a tree's physiological condition is made as good, fair, poor, dead.

Data on the structural condition of the tree has been entered, e.g., collapsing, leaning and the presence of any decay or physical defect has been noted.

Preliminary management recommendations include further investigation of suspected defects that require more detailed assessment or potential for wildlife habitat.

An assessment of a tree's future life expectancy is made as <10, 10-20, 20-40 or >40 etc.

Table 1 – Cascade chart for tree quality assessment

Category and definition	Criteria (including subcategories where appropriate)		
<u>Category U</u> Those in such a condition that they cannot realistically be retained as living trees in the context of the current land use for longer than 10 years	- Trees that have a serious, irremediable, structural defect, such that their early loss is expected due to collapse, including those that will become unviable after removal of other U category trees (i.e. where, for whatever reason, the loss of companion shelter cannot be mitigated by pruning) - Trees that are dead or are showing signs of significant, immediate, and irreversible overall decline - Trees infected with pathogens of significance to the health and/or safety of other trees nearby, or very low quality trees suppressing adjacent trees of better quality NOTE Category U trees can have existing or potential conservation value which it might be desirable to preserve; see 4.5.7		
	1 Mainly Arboricultural values	2 Mainly landscape values	3 Mainly cultural values, including conservation
<u>Category A</u> Those of high quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 40 years	Trees that are particularly good examples of their species, especially if rare or unusual, or essential components of groups, or of formal or semi-formal arboricultural features (e.g. the dominant and/or principal trees within an avenue)	Trees, groups or woodlands of particular visual importance as Arboricultural and/or landscape features	Trees, groups or woodlands of significant conservation; historical, commemorative or other value (e.g. veteran trees or wood-pasture)
<u>Category B</u> Those of moderate quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 20 years	Trees that might be included in category A, but are downgraded because of impaired condition (e.g. presence of significant though remediable defects, including unsympathetic past management and storm damage), such that they are unlikely to be suitable for retention for beyond 40 years; or trees lacking the special quality necessary to merit the category A designation	Trees present in numbers, usually growing as groups or woodlands, such that they attract a higher collective rating than they might as individuals; or trees occurring as collectives but situated so as to make little visual contribution to the wider locality	Trees with material conservation or other cultural benefits
<u>Category C</u> Those of low quality with an estimated remaining life expectancy of at least 10 years, or young trees with a stem diameter below 150mm	Unremarkable trees of very limited merit or such impaired condition that they do not qualify in higher categories	Trees present in groups or woodlands, but without this conferring on them significantly greater collective landscape value, and/or trees offering low or only temporary/transient landscape benefits	Trees with no material conservation or other cultural value

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					N	E	S	W							
G1	Group of: Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>)	19	Single and Multi	0.35 (avg.)	6	6	5	7	2	Middle aged	Fair	Trees of generally reasonable form. Some minor mechanical damage to some lower stems.	No action required at this time.	20-40	B
G2	Group of 2: Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>)	20	Single	0.45	8	10	5	9	3	Mature	Good	Prominent specimens of reasonable form and vigour. Main stems colonised by ivy thus preventing full inspection.	No action required at this time.	>40	B
T3	Hawthorn (<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>)	10	Multi	0.35	2	1	1	4	1	Middle aged	Fair to poor	Scrubby specimen leaning to the west. Evidence of thinning of foliage within crown.	Monitor for health.	10-20	C
T4	Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>)	22	Single	0.81	10	9	8	7	3	Mature	Good	Prominent boundary tree of good form and vigour. Dense vegetation prevents full inspection.	No action required at this time.	>40	A
T5	Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>)	21	Single	0.78	8	8	8	9	2	Mature	Fair	Prominent boundary tree exhibiting some slight thinning of foliage on northwestern side of crown. Dense vegetation at base prevents full inspection.	Monitor for health.	20-40	B
G6	Group of: Hawthorn (<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>), Elder (<i>Sambucus nigra</i>), Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>), Holly (<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>), Blackthorn (<i>Prunus spinosa</i>)	2	Multi	0.1	1	1	1	1	0	Middle aged	Fair	Scrubby specimens forming gappy field boundary hedgerow.	No action required at this time.	20-40	C

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T7	Ash (<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>)	21	Single	0.58	8	8	8	6	3	Mature	Poor	Prominent boundary tree exhibiting early-stage symptoms of Ash Dieback Disease.	Remove.	<10	U
T8	Holly (<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>)	12	Multi	0.35	4	2	3	3	1	Middle aged	Poor	Boundary tree exhibiting significant dieback throughout crown. This specimen is in a deteriorating condition.	Remove.	<10	U
T9	Ash (<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>)	20	Single	0.73	8	8	8	10	3	Mature	Poor	Prominent boundary tree exhibiting early-stage symptoms of Ash Dieback Disease.	Remove.	<10	U
T10	Collapsed														U
G11	Group of 1: Hawthorn (<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>), 1: Plum (<i>Prunus</i> spp.), And 1: Elder (<i>Sambucus nigra</i>)	6	Multi	0.3 (avg.)	3	2	2	2	1	Middle aged / Mature	Fair to poor	Overgrown section of hedgerow formed by scrubby specimens of declining vigour. Central Plum exhibits significant defoliation within crown.	Remove Plum. Monitor remaining trees for stability.	10-20	C
T12	Hawthorn (<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>)	5	Multi	0.25	2	2	2	2	1	Middle aged	Fair	Scrubby boundary tree of low vigour.	Monitor for health.	10-20	C
G13	Group of: Hawthorn (<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>)	10	Multi	0.4	3	3	3	3	1	Middle aged / Mature	Fair	Scrubby boundary trees of declining vigour.	Monitor for health.	10-20	C
G14	Group of: Hawthorn (<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>), Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>), Elder (<i>Sambucus nigra</i>)	Up to 8	Single and Multi	0.2 (avg.)	3	2	2	2	0	Middle aged	Fair to poor	Scrubby specimens forming section of gappy overgrown boundary hedgerow. Some yellowing of foliage within selected crowns.	Monitor for health.	10-20	C

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G15	Group of: Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>), Walnut (<i>Juglans regia</i>), Norway Maple (<i>Acer platanoides</i>), Elder (<i>Sambucus nigra</i>), Hawthorn (<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>)	Up to 13	Single and Multi	0.3 (avg.)	2	2	4	3	1	Middle aged	Fair to poor	Scrubby specimens of variable form and vigour, some exhibiting animal damage to base of main stems.	Monitor for health.	10-20	C
T16	Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>)	17	Single	0.29	4	2	4	4	2	Middle aged	Fair to poor	Tree of variable form exhibiting some thinning of foliage within crown.	Monitor for health.	10-20	C
G17	Group of: Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>), Hazel (<i>Corylus avellana</i>)	Up to 16	Multi	0.5	5	5	6	6	0	Middle aged	Fair	Multi-stemmed scrubby specimens of variable form and vigour. Sycamore exhibits some included forks in lower crown.	Monitor for stability.	10-20	C
T18	Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>)	16	Multi	0.45	5	4	4	5	0	Middle aged	Fair	Scrubby multi-stemmed specimen exhibiting slight thinning of foliage within crown.	Monitor for health.	10-20	C
G19	Group of: Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>), Goat Willow (<i>Salix caprea</i>), Hazel (<i>Corylus avellana</i>), Holly (<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>)	Up to 14	Multi	0.35	4	4	4	4	0	Middle aged	Fair	Scrubby specimens forming narrow linear copse.	Monitor for stability.	10-20	C

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G20	Group of: Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>), Goat Willow (<i>Salix caprea</i>), Rowan (<i>Sorbus aucuparia</i>), Birch (<i>Betula pendula</i>), Plum (<i>Prunus</i> spp.)	Up to 10	Single and Multi	0.15 (avg.)	2	2	2	2	0	Young	Fair to poor	Scrubby naturally regenerated specimens creating narrow linear copse. Trees of generally variable form and vigour.	Monitor for health.	10-20	C
G21	Group of: Hazel (<i>Corylus avellana</i>), Holly (<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>), Elder (<i>Sambucus nigra</i>), Goat Willow (<i>Salix caprea</i>)	8	Single and Multi	0.15 (avg.)	2	2	2	2	0	Middle aged	Fair	Scrubby specimens of variable form creating linear feature. Goat Willows are vulnerable to structural failure.	Monitor for stability.	10-20	C
G22	Group of: Norway Maple (<i>Acer platanoides</i>)	Up to 20	Single and Multi	0.5 (avg.)	6	7	6	8	2	Mature	Fair	Linear feature containing some trees exhibiting dieback within crowns.	Prune to remove unstable deadwood of diameter >50mm. Monitor for health.	20-40	B
T23	Norway Maple (<i>Acer platanoides</i>)	22	Multi	0.65	3	7	10	12	4	Mature	Fair	Tree of variable form suppressed on northern side. Crown more heavily developed on southwestern side.	Monitor for stability.	10-20	C
T24	Lawson Cypress (<i>Chamaecyparis lawsoniana</i>)	5	Single	0.29	0	0	0	7	2	Middle aged	Poor	This specimen is dead.	Remove.	<10	U

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T25	Norway Maple (<i>Acer platanoides</i>)	23	Multi	0.9	11	12	12	10	4	Mature	Fair	Prominent twin-stemmed specimen of variable form and vigour.	No action required at this time.	20-40	B
T26	Dead														U
T27	Ash (<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>)	26	Multi	0.9	12	12	12	12	5	Mature	Poor	Prominent twin-stemmed tree exhibiting early-stage symptoms of Ash Dieback Disease.	Remove.	<10	U
T28	Norway Maple (<i>Acer platanoides</i>)	19	Single	0.61	4	2	9	10	5	Mature	Poor	Prominent tree exhibiting significant dieback throughout crown. Evidence of severe basal decay. This specimen is at risk of total structural failure.	Remove.	<10	U
G28	Group of: Hazel (<i>Corylus avellana</i>), Hawthorn (<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>), Elder (<i>Sambucus nigra</i>), Rowan (<i>Sorbus aucuparia</i>), Goat Willow (<i>Salix caprea</i>)	Up to 12	Single and Multi	0.4 (avg.)	6	6	6	6	0	Middle aged / Mature	Fair	Scrubby specimens forming small copse area dominated by Hazel and incorporating a scrubby roadside boundary hedgerow.	No action required at this time.	10-20	C
T29	Apple (<i>Malus</i> spp.)	4	Single	0.3	3	4	2	2	1	Mature	Fair to poor	Fruit tree of declining vigour.	Monitor for health.	10-20	C

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G30	Group of: Hazel (<i>Corylus avellana</i>), Walnut (<i>Juglans regia</i>), Medlar (<i>Mespilus germanica</i>), Apple (<i>Malus</i> spp.), Cherry (<i>Prunus</i> spp.), Plum (<i>Prunus</i> spp.)	Up to 12	Single and Multi	0.35 (avg.)	5	5	5	5	0	Middle aged / Mature	Fair to poor	Scrubby specimens forming overgrown woodland area containing some dead and dying specimens.	Remove dead, dying and dangerous trees.	20-40	C
T31	Copper Beech (<i>Fagus sylvatica</i> 'Purpurea')	24	Single	1.08	14	16	12	8	5	Mature	Good	Prominent specimen of reasonable form and good vigour. Historically suppressed on western side by presence of former tree that has been subsequently removed. Some minor storm damage in lower crown on western side.	No action required at this time.	>40	A
T32	Ash (<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>)	26	Multi	0.85	11	12	12	9	5	Mature	Poor	Prominent tree exhibiting early-stage symptoms of Ash Dieback Disease.	Remove.	<10	U
G33	Group of: Goat Willow (<i>Salix caprea</i>)	21	Single and Multi	0.55	10	9	9	9	3	Mature	Fair to poor	Prominent trees of a species that is vulnerable to structural failure. Evidence of several weak forks in lower crowns that are vulnerable to structural failure as these specimens mature.	Monitor for safety.	10-20	C

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T34	Goat Willow (<i>Salix caprea</i>)	15	Single	0.48	1	3	8	7	4	Mature	Fair to poor	Tree of variable form with crown developed on southwestern side only.	Monitor for stability.	10-20	C
T35	Ash (<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>)	21	Single	0.64	9	11	10	10	5	Mature	Poor	Prominent boundary tree exhibiting advanced symptoms of Ash Dieback Disease.	Remove.	<10	U
T36	Ash (<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>)	18	Single	0.43	5	7	7	6	3	Middle aged	Poor	Prominent tree exhibiting symptoms of Ash Dieback Disease.	Remove.	<10	U
T37	Ash (<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>)	17	Single	0.41	5	6	6	5	3	Middle aged	Poor	Prominent woodland tree of variable form exhibiting advanced symptoms of Ash Dieback Disease.	Remove.	<10	U
T38	Douglas Fir (<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i>)	18	Single	0.38	0	3	10	4	6	Middle aged	Poor	Misshapen woodland tree leaning excessively to the south.	Remove.	<10	U
T39	Highclere Holly (<i>Ilex × altaclerensis</i>)	12	Multi	0.4	4	5	4	6	3	Mature	Fair	Prominent boundary tree of reasonable form and vigour. Some evidence of slight thinning within crown.	Monitor for health.	10-20	C
G40	Group of: Holly (<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>), Hazel (<i>Corylus avellana</i>), Apple (<i>Malus</i> spp.), Elder (<i>Sambucus nigra</i>), Yew (<i>Taxus baccata</i>), Plum (<i>Prunus</i> spp.)	Up to 9	Single and Multi	0.25 (avg.)	3	3	3	3	0	Middle aged	Fair to poor	Dense woodland area containing some fruit trees exhibiting significant dieback within crowns.	Remove dead, dying and dangerous trees.	10-20	C

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G41	Group of: Hazel (<i>Corylus avellana</i>), Mulberry (<i>Morus</i> spp.), Hawthorn (<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>), Plum (<i>Prunus</i> spp.), Elder (<i>Sambucus nigra</i>), Highclere Holly (<i>Ilex × altaclerensis</i>)	6	Single and Multi	0.15 (avg.)	2	2	2	2	0	Young / Middle aged	Fair	Scrubby specimens forming dense wooded area.	No action required at this time.	20-40	C
T42	Sawara Cypress (<i>Chamaecyparis pisifera</i>)	6	Multi	0.2	1	1	1	1	1	Middle aged	Fair to poor	Twin-stemmed ornamental specimen of variable form that has suffered poor quality pruning in lower crown.	Monitor for safety.	10-20	C
T43	Laburnum (<i>Laburnum anagyroides</i>)	6	Multi	0.25	4	4	2	1	0	Mature	Fair to poor	Heavily suppressed ornamental specimen with crown developed on northeastern side only. Evidence of some potentially weak forks in lower crown.	Monitor for stability.	10-20	C
T44	Yew (<i>Taxus baccata</i>)	10	Multi	0.4	4	4	4	4	0	Middle aged	Fair	Boundary tree of slightly scrubby habit.	No action required at this time.	20-40	B
T45	Laburnum (<i>Laburnum anagyroides</i>)	7	Single	0.17	2	2	3	2	2	Middle aged	Poor	Stem emanating from historical stump. This specimen is vulnerable to structural failure.	Remove.	<10	U
G46	Group of: Apple (<i>Malus</i> spp.), Pear (<i>Pyrus</i> spp.)	3	Single	0.1 (avg.)	1	1	1	1	1	Middle aged	Fair	Fruit trees of variable form.	No action required at this time.	20-40	C

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T47	Laburnum (<i>Laburnum anagyroides</i>)	6	Single	0.2	3	4	3	4	1	Mature	Fair to poor	Ornamental tree exhibiting potentially weak forks in lower crown.	Monitor for stability.	10-20	C
T48	Yew (<i>Taxus baccata</i>)	12	Single	0.53	5	5	4	3	1	Middle aged	Fair	Heavily suppressed specimen leaning to the east.	Monitor for stability.	10-20	C
T49	Hornbeam (<i>Carpinus betula</i>)	14	Multi	0.7	4	4	8	7	4	Mature	Fair	Prominent boundary tree that is slightly suppressed on northern side.	No action required at this time.	20-40	B
T50	Irish Yew (<i>Taxus baccata</i> 'Fastigiata')	11	Single	0.53	3	5	4	3	1	Mature	Fair	Woodland tree of upright habit typical of this species.	No action required at this time.	20-40	B
T51	Wellingtonia (<i>Sequoiadendron giganteum</i>)	26	Single	>1.25	9	9	9	9	6	Mature	Good	Prominent tree of good form and vigour.	No action required at this time.	>40	A
T52	Ash (<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>)	16	Single	0.43	1	3	5	4	6	Middle aged	Poor	Prominent boundary tree exhibiting symptoms of Ash Dieback Disease.	Remove.	<10	U
T53	Douglas Fir (<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i>)	24	Single	0.44	3	5	5	3	8	Mature	Fair to poor	Woodland tree of variable form and vigour.	Monitor for health.	10-20	C
T54	Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>)	24	Multi	1.2	10	12	10	12	6	Mature	Good	Prominent tree of good form and vigour.	No action required at this time.	>40	A
T55	Norway Maple (<i>Acer platanoides</i>)	19	Single	0.42	2	3	10	10	5	Mature	Fair	Woodland edge tree with crown more heavily developed on southwestern side.	Monitor for stability.	20-40	B

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G56	Group of: Highclere Holly (<i>Ilex × altaclerensis</i>), Lawson Cypress (<i>Chamaecyparis lawsoniana</i>), Walnut (<i>Juglans regia</i>), Hazel (<i>Corylus avellana</i>), Yew (<i>Taxus baccata</i>), Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>), Irish Yew (<i>Taxus baccata</i> ‘Fastigiata’), Elm (<i>Ulmus</i> spp.)	Up to 12	Single and Multi	0.2 (avg.)	3	3	3	3	1	Middle aged	Fair	Dense woodland area dominated by specimens of Holly.	No action required at this time.	20-40	B
G57	Elder (<i>Sambucus nigra</i>)	7	Multi	0.25	1	3	3	1	0	Middle aged	Fair to poor	Scrubby specimens with significant thinning of crown.	Monitor for health.	10-20	C
T58	Holly (<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>)	12	Multi	0.35	2	1	2	3	0	Middle aged	Fair	Tree of reasonable form and vigour.	No action required at this time.	20-40	B