



Ribble Valley
Borough Council

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TREE WORK ASSESSMENT

DATE INSPECTED: 3 September 2026

TPO: 143 – 1996 Calderstones

CONSERVATION AREA: No

APPLICATION NO: 3/2026/0553

SPECIES: Oak & Horse chestnut

BS5837 CAT: B + C

ASSESSOR: A Shutt

SIGNATURE: LH

VISUAL TREE ASSESSMENT / COMMENTS

Trees are of amenity value and form part of a protected linear group that have been retained and protected through two development sites.

The landowners from 6 & 7 Nethertown Gardens have instructed a fully qualified arborist to survey the Councils and other protected trees within 3rd party ownership.

However, the Council have contacted the applicants consultant to minimise the amount to prune as the majority of the suppressed oaks crown is leaning over the neighbours garden and pruning back to the fence line would not conform to BS3998

They have agreed to a change to the description of works below which will enable the tree contractor to clear the house by 1.5m which will alleviate their issue and not affect the overall amenity value or health of the trees.

Tree T003 "Horse chestnut (Aesculus hippocastanum)" _ Prune to clear building by 1.5m."

Tree T004 "Oak (Quercus sp.)" _ Prune to clear building by 1.5m.

The recommended works will not affect the groups overall amenity value and will further minimise risk of failure which the Councils trees at present is tolerable.

The owner of the trees has also had a Tree Health Assessment carried out on both trees which conforms to their Duty of Care and no further works were required.

It Is worth noting at this juncture that mature trees should only be pruned every 3-5 years dependant on species and condition so as not to be detrimental to health, stability, amenity value or stimulate quick, reactionary, regenerative growth.

RELATED ISSUES:	YES	NO		YES	NO
Planning Application		☒	Highway issue		☒
Statutory Undertaker		☒	Damage to property (proven)		☒
Health & safety issues		☒	Nuisance		☒
Other (describe)*	☒				
Tree Management					

AMENITY EVALUATION:	YES	NO		
Carried out	N/A	N/A		
Necessary	N/A	N/A		

Application works appropriate? YES ☒

Why?

The landowners from 6 Nethertown Gardens have instructed a fully qualified arborist to survey the Councils and other protected trees within 3rd party ownership. The changed recommended works will not affect the trees overall amenity value and will further minimise risk of failure and damage to the property.

Alternative works more appropriate? NO ☒

Describe Alternative Works: