



Ribble Valley
Borough Council

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TREE WORK ASSESSMENT

DATE INSPECTED: SEPTEMBER 2026

TPO: WHITEACRE LANE 1984

CONSERVATION AREA: N/A

APPLICATION NO: 3/2026/0717

SPECIES: BLACK POPLAR

BS5837 CAT: U ASSESSOR: D HEWITT

SIGNATURE: LH

VISUAL TREE ASSESSMENT / COMMENTS

Felling of three large mature black poplar and one low amenity value suppressed black poplar trees that are all interdependent on each other for stability under wind loading, all are in a condition that has already resulted in branch drop with the real risk of partial or complete failure of one or more of the trees in question, all trees are within target range of property/road/access drive.

In some situations, a pollard regime for poplars can be implemented but in this instance because of the nature of the circumstances surrounding the site, the size of the trees and their condition this would not be a long-term solution for the risk posed to the target areas identified.

Whilst initially this will have significant impact on the visual amenity value of the tree-scape however the planting of an avenue three standard hornbeam trees, which is the maximum number that space will allow, eventually will create a sense of arrival that will also contribute to the visual amenity value of the tree-scape in the local and wider context.

RELATED ISSUES:	YES	NO		YES	NO
Planning Application		NO	Highway issue	YES	
Statutory Undertaker		NO	Damage to property potential	YES	
Health & safety issues	YES		Nuisance	YES	
Other (describe)*		NO	Diminishing amenity value	YES	

AMENITY EVALUATION:	YES	NO		
Carried out	yes		Visual on inspection	
Necessary				

Application works appropriate?

Why?

To remove the risk of further branch drop as well as the risk of complete tree failure within target range of garden and property

Alternative works more appropriate? NO

Describe Alternative Works: