

# St Marys Churchyard, Abbots Ann

Health and Safety Tree Survey walk over on  
behalf of Abbots Ann Parish Council  
12th September 2025

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006615	1	Ilex aquifolium (Common Holly)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190555, -1.528947	/// powers.gifted. after	1	1	10	49	Mature	Normal	Fair	· Churchyard · Fence within falling distance · Footpath within falling distance · Footpath under canopy · Fence under canopy · Grass surround	· Basal suckers · Die back - Apical decline and dead leaders · Low hanging branches	· Lift canopy to 2.5m  · Removal basal growth	Routine within 12 months	
006616	2	Taxus baccata (Common Yew)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190564, -1.528852	/// spine.socket.necks	1	1	9	82	Middle aged	Normal	Good	· Churchyard · Fence within falling distance · Footpath within falling distance · Footpath under canopy · Fence under canopy · Grass surround	· Low hanging branches	· Lift canopy to 2.5m	Routine within 12 months	
006617	3	Ilex aquifolium (Common Holly)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190475, -1.528912	/// riches.status.sing	2	1	6	44	Middle aged	Normal	Fair	· Churchyard · Grass surround · Historic or listed building or wall	· Bifurcated · Low hanging branches · Multiple old pruning wounds · Natural brace	· Prune back or clear from building - prune back from the wall and lift over the wall to achieve 0.5 metres above the wall.  · Lift canopy to 2.5m	Routine within 12 months	
006618	4	Ilex aquifolium (Common Holly)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190424, -1.528901	/// land.chains.equal	1	1	6	43	Middle aged	Low	Fair	· Churchyard · Gravestones · Grass surround · Historic or listed building or wall	· Basal suckers · Die back - Apical decline · Low hanging branches	· Prune back or clear from building - prune back from the wall and lift over the wall to achieve 0.5 metres above the wall.  · Lift canopy to 2.5m  · Removal basal growth	Routine within 12 months	
006619	5	Buxus sempervirens (Box)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190478, -1.528835	/// record.mime.page	1	1	6	20	Middle aged	Normal	Fair	· Churchyard · Gravestones · Grass surround	· Crossing branches · Diseased - Box blight · Low hanging branches	· Lift canopy to 2.5m	Routine within 12 months	
000933	6	Taxus baccata "Fastigiata" (Irish Yew)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church by the Priest's door	51.190445, -1.528786	/// chief.discrepancy.stacks	1	1	4	65	Middle aged	Normal	Good	· Building within falling distance - St Mary's Church · Churchyard · Conservation area (CA) · Footpath within falling distance · Footpath under canopy · Gravestones · Grass surround · Overhead services - lights in tree and overhead cable above tree	· Bark damage - from wire cutting into branches · Crown issues or observations - Branches collapsed out of the crown and are hanging down. Fastigate form opening up. Previously supported by wire which in places is now imbedded wire cables which are now causing bark and branch damage. · Epicormic growth	· Reduce branch - Prune in the branches the are falling out of the crown all round. Trim up the sides to maintain the compact form. (Routine)	Routine within 12 months	
006620	7	Ilex aquifolium (Common Holly)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190377, -1.528866	/// video.tiles.opposite	1	1	4	45	Middle aged	Normal	Fair	· Churchyard · Gravestones · Grass surround · Historic or listed building or wall	· Basal suckers · Crown shape distorted due to group pressure · Ivy or climbing plants · Low hanging branches	· Sever climbing plant and remove 1st 2 metres from trunk  · Prune back or clear from building - prune back from the wall and lift over the wall to achieve 0.5 metres above the wall.  · Lift canopy to 2.5m  · Removal basal growth	Routine within 12 months	
006621	8	Ilex aquifolium (Common Holly)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190352, -1.528859	/// blur.chefs.entertainer	1	1	4	30	Middle aged	Low	Fair	· Churchyard · Gravestones · Grass surround · Historic or listed building or wall	· Bifurcated · Ivy or climbing plants · Low hanging branches · Unable to fully assess due to ivy	· Prune back or clear from building - prune back from the wall and lift over the wall to achieve 0.5 metres above the wall.  · Sever and remove ivy up to 1.5m  · Lift canopy to 2.5m	Routine within 12 months	
006622	9	Taxus baccata (Common Yew)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190571, -1.528782	/// feeds.loss.future	1	1	7	69	Middle aged	Low	Fair	· Churchyard · Fence within falling distance · Footpath within falling distance · Footpath under canopy · Fence under canopy · Grass surround · Street lamp	· Crown reduced - topped historically after if fell · Ivy or climbing plants · Low hanging branches · Stunted	· Lift canopy to 2.5m  · Prune clear of street Lamp	Routine within 12 months	
006623	10	Taxus baccata "Fastigiata" (Irish Yew)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190545, -1.528777	/// pulled.nerve.shakes	1	1	3	70	Middle aged	Low	Fair	· Churchyard · Footpath within falling distance · Grass surround	· Crown issues or observations - wire holding in branches	· Hedge pruning maintenance - trim all round and reduce down by 2 metres to improve lower density.	Routine within 12 months	

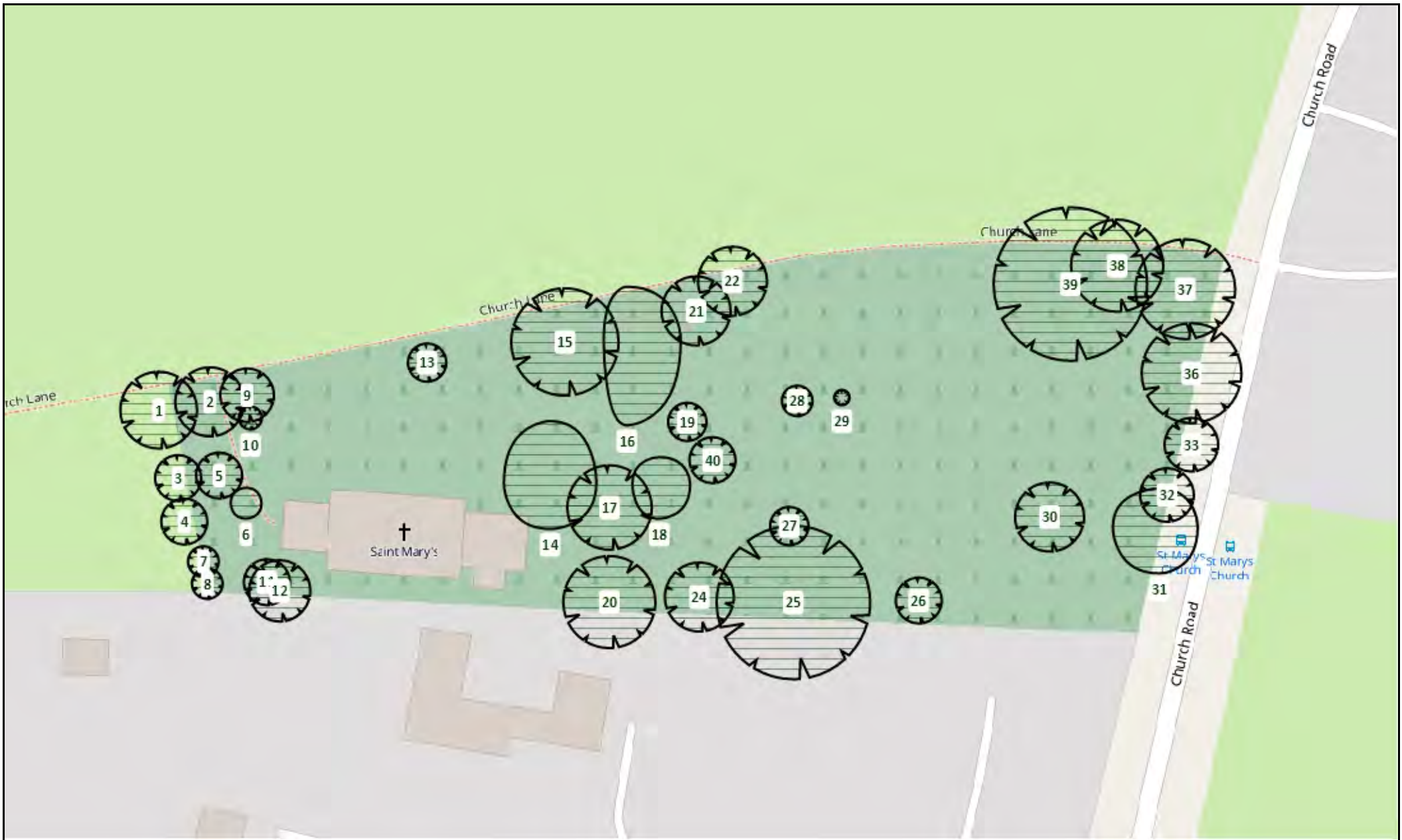
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006624	11	Taxus baccata (Common Yew)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190353, -1.528748	/// loud.rush.galaxy	1	1	6	60	Middle aged	Normal	Fair	<div>· Churchyard</div> <div>· Grass surround</div> <div>· Historic or listed building or wall</div>	<div>· Crown shape distorted due to group pressure</div> <div>· Ivy or climbing plants</div> <div>· Low hanging branches</div>	<div>· Sever climbing plant and remove 1st 2 metres from trunk</div> <div>· Prune back or clear from building - prune back from the wall and lift over the wall to achieve 0.5 metres above the wall.</div> <div>· Lift canopy to 2.5m</div>	Routine within 12 months
006625	12	Taxus baccata (Common Yew)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190343, -1.528724	/// loud.rush.galaxy	1	1	8	60	Middle aged	Normal	Good	<div>· Churchyard</div> <div>· Grass surround</div> <div>· Historic or listed building or wall</div>	<div>· Crown shape distorted due to group pressure</div> <div>· Ivy or climbing plants</div> <div>· Low hanging branches</div>	<div>· Sever climbing plant and remove 1st 2 metres from trunk</div> <div>· Prune back or clear from building - prune back from the wall and lift over the wall to achieve 0.5 metres above the wall.</div> <div>· Lift canopy to 2.5m</div>	Routine within 12 months
006626	13	Taxus baccata (Common Yew)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190608, -1.528448	/// vase.react.joins	1	1	5	40	Middle aged	Normal	Good	<div>· Churchyard</div> <div>· Grass surround</div>	<div>· Low hanging branches</div>	<div>· Hedge pruning maintenance - clip to prune back from the path</div>	Routine within 12 months
000932	14	Tilia x europaea (Common Lime)	Adjacent to the Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190467, -1.528221	/// cape.games.crazy	1	1	13	133	Mature	Normal	Good	<div>· Building within falling distance - St Mary's Church</div> <div>· Conservation area (CA)</div> <div>· Footpath within falling distance</div> <div>· Footpath under canopy</div> <div>· Gravestones</div> <div>· Grass surround</div>	<div>· Bat potential</div> <div>· Basal suckers</div> <div>· Cavities present</div> <div>· Epicormic growth</div> <div>· Fluted buttresses</div> <div>· General observations - Veteran tree characteristics include a large girth minimum of 25% of species age equating to around 140-170 years of age circa 1850's. With potential for internal heartwood decay, large quantities of deadwood, habitat holes and epiphytic plants including lichens. This is an important tree locally as well as historically, culturally, ecologically and environmentally.</div> <div>· Ivy or climbing plants - starting up the trunk and around the buttresses</div> <div>· Live epicormic growth rafting</div> <div>· Major dead wood &gt;50mm</div> <div>· Minor dead wood &lt;50mm</div> <div>· Multiple old pruning wounds</div> <div>· Occluded pruning wounds</div> <div>· Occluding pruning wounds</div> <div>· Surface roots - lifting tarmac path and visible in the grass bank, bark damage to some exposed roots and decay present</div>	<div>· Remove dead wood (&gt;50mm ) - within 1 month for reasons of health and safety</div> <div>· Lift canopy to 3m - over the footpath and graves within 3 months for reasons of health and safety</div>	High priority within 1 month for reasons of health and safety.
006627	15	Taxus baccata (Common Yew)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190631, -1.528192	/// bike.owners.divide	1	1	14	78	Middle aged	Normal	Good	<div>· Churchyard</div> <div>· Footpath within falling distance</div> <div>· Footpath under canopy</div> <div>· Gravestones</div> <div>· Grass surround</div> <div>· Public footpath</div>	<div>· Crown shape distorted due to group pressure</div> <div>· Epicormic growth</div> <div>· Exposed roots / damaged roots</div> <div>· Ivy or climbing plants</div> <div>· Low hanging branches</div> <div>· Mower or strimmer damage</div>	<div>· Lift canopy to 2.5m</div>	Routine within 12 months

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000936	16	Taxus baccata (Common Yew)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church by gate and public footpath	51.190632, -1.528077	/// shack.clock.arrows	1	1	14	111	Mature	Normal	Good	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Conservation area (CA)</li><li>Fence within falling distance</li><li>Footpath within falling distance</li><li>Footpath under canopy</li><li>Gravestones</li><li>Grass surround</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Branch stubs present</li><li>Crown shape distorted due to group pressure</li><li>Epicormic growth</li><li>General observations - This is a Veteran Yew tree around 260 - 340 years of age. Yews are one of the longest-lived native trees and are ecologically valuable as well as historically, culturally and environmentally. They are associated with immortality and the ability of the species to renew itself and they are evergreen. Yew is symbolic of everlasting life and rebirth as well as death and resurrection.</li><li>Ivy or climbing plants</li><li>Low hanging branches</li><li>Major dead wood &gt;50mm</li><li>Minor dead wood &lt;50mm</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Remove dead wood (&gt;50mm ) - for reasons of health and safety</li><li>Lift canopy to 2.5m</li><li>Reduce branch - reduce the lowest limb over the churchyard by 3 metres to remove the obpverhang of the grave stones.</li></ul>	Priority within 3 months for reasons of health and safety.
006628	17	Ilex aquifolium (Common Holly)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190437, -1.528111	/// horn.skins.shunts	1	1	11	50	Mature	Low	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Churchyard</li><li>Gravestones</li><li>Grass surround</li><li>Historic or listed building or wall</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Basal suckers</li><li>Low hanging branches</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Lift canopy to 2.5m</li></ul>	Routine within 12 months
000934	18	Ilex aquifolium (Common Holly)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190464, -1.528018	/// impact.vocab.month	3	1	7.8	53	Middle aged	Low	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Conservation area (CA)</li><li>Footpath within falling distance</li><li>Gravestones</li><li>Grass surround</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Basal suckers</li><li>Crown reduced - dead stems previously removed</li><li>Crown shape distorted due to group pressure</li><li>Die back</li><li>Epicormic growth</li><li>Ivy or climbing plants</li><li>Minor dead wood &lt;50mm</li><li>Trifurcated - just above ground level, one stem healthy, remaining two stems in decline</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Lift canopy to 3m</li></ul>	Routine within 12 months
006629	19	Ilex aquifolium (Common Holly)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190537, -1.527965	/// points.toys.taker	1	1	5	42	Middle aged	Low	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Churchyard</li><li>Gravestones</li><li>Grass surround</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Die back</li><li>Ivy or climbing plants</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Sever climbing plant and remove 1st 2 metres from trunk</li><li>Lift canopy to 2.5m</li></ul>	Routine within 12 months
006630	20	Taxus baccata (Common Yew)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190327, -1.528112	/// voice.giant.waving	2	1	12	60	Middle aged	Normal	Good	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Churchyard</li><li>Gravestones</li><li>Grass surround</li><li>Historic or listed building or wall</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Bifurcated</li><li>Ivy or climbing plants</li><li>Low hanging branches</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Sever climbing plant and remove 1st 2 metres from trunk</li><li>Prune back or clear from building - prune back from the wall and lift over the wall to achieve 0.5 metres above the wall.</li><li>Lift canopy to 2.5m</li></ul>	Routine within 12 months
006631	21	Ilex aquifolium (Common Holly)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190666, -1.527948	/// modern.send.knee	2	1	9	40	Middle aged	Normal	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Churchyard</li><li>Footpath within falling distance</li><li>Gravestones</li><li>Grass surround</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Crown shape distorted due to group pressure</li><li>Ivy or climbing plants</li><li>Low hanging branches</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Sever climbing plant and remove 1st 2 metres from trunk</li><li>Lift canopy to 2.5m</li></ul>	Routine within 12 months
006632	22	Ilex aquifolium (Common Holly)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190701, -1.527879	/// myself.them.author	3	1	9	30	Middle aged	Normal	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Churchyard</li><li>Footpath within falling distance</li><li>Footpath under canopy</li><li>Gravestones</li><li>Grass surround</li><li>Public footpath</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Basal suckers</li><li>Crown shape distorted due to group pressure</li><li>Ivy or climbing plants</li><li>Trifurcated - one stem previously removed</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Sever and remove ivy up to 1.5m</li><li>Lift canopy to 2.5m</li><li>Removal basal growth</li></ul>	Routine within 12 months
006634	24	Taxus baccata (Common Yew)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190332, -1.527945	/// joins.cigar.stuck	4	1	9	80	Middle aged	Normal	Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Churchyard</li><li>Grass surround</li><li>Historic or listed building or wall</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Low hanging branches</li><li>Multi stemmed - Sycamore growing in the trunk fused I tothe main stem</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Prune back or clear from building - prune back from the wall and lift over the wall to achieve 0.5 metres above the wall.</li><li>Lift canopy to 2.5m</li><li>Remove stem - Remove the Sycamore stem by cutting it down to 2 metres.</li></ul>	Routine within 12 months

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006635	25	Acer pseudoplatanus (Sycamore)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190325, -1.527770	/// social.about.ties	4	1	20	55	Mature	Normal	Good	· Churchyard · Gravestones · Grass surround	· Ivy or climbing plants · Low hanging branches · Multi stemmed · Multiple old pruning wounds	· Lift canopy to 2.5m	Routine within 12 months
006636	26	Quercus robur (English Oak)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190327, -1.527537	/// stove.solid.smile d	1	1	6	12	Young	Normal	Fair	· Grass surround · Memorial tree - Planted by the WI in 2000	· Crown shape distorted due to group pressure · Developing young tree · Epicormic growth	None currently required.	No tree work required
006637	27	Chamaecyparis sp. (Cypress spp)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190414, -1.527777	/// method.loveing.o pens	10	1	5	20	Over mature	Low	Poor	· Churchyard · Gravestones · Grass surround	· Die back - browning foliage, collapsing branches, reached maturity · Multi stemmed	· Fell Conifers	Routine within 12 months
006638	28	Chamaecyparis lawsoniana (Lawson Cypress)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190561, -1.527761	/// wink.violin.scam	1	1	4	60	Mature	Normal	Good	· Churchyard · Gravestones · Grass surround	· Low hanging branches · Multi stemmed	None currently required.	No tree work required
006639	29	Chamaecyparis sp. (Cypress spp)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190564, -1.527678	/// cove.drain.cure	1	1	2	25	Middle aged	Normal	Fair	· Churchyard · Gravestones · Grass surround	· Multi stemmed	None currently required.	No tree work required
006640	30	Quercus rubra (Red Oak)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190423, -1.527293	/// clean.riders.yard	1	1	9	28	Young	Normal	Good	· Churchyard · Fence within falling distance · Fence under canopy · Gravestones · Grass surround	· Developing young tree · Low hanging branches	· Lift canopy to 2.5m	Routine within 12 months
000931	31	Aesculus hippocastanum (Horse Chestnut)	St Mary's Church adjacent to Church Road	51.190410, -1.527090	/// topic.venue.soon	1	1	11	96	Mature	Normal	Fair	· Conservation area (CA) · Fence within falling distance · Fence under canopy · Gravestones · Grass surround · Road under canopy - Church Road · Road within falling distance	· Basal decay - decayed heartwood visible at bark wounds on lower trunk · Bird box - plus natural bird nest on trunk in ivy · Bleeding canker · Birds nest · Bat potential · Basal suckers · Branch stubs present · Cankers on branches · Cankers on trunk · Cavities present - decay present in the old pollard heads · Crossing branches · Crown issues or observations - Leaf blotch and leaf miner · Epicormic growth · Fluted buttresses · Ivy or climbing plants - around buttresses · Minor dead wood <50mm · Multiple old pruning wounds · Occluded pruning wounds · Occluding pruning wounds · Pollarded · Stem issues or observations - flaking and delamination bark · Veteran tree - Notable old pollard circa 115-120 years of age. Potential veteran, with Veteran tree characteristics including deadwood habitat, old large breakout wounds and cavities, decaying heartwood, water pools, bark loss, and the potential for fungi but none currently observed. · Wildlife habitat	None currently required.	No tree work required
006641	32	Aesculus hippocastanum (Horse Chestnut)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190448, -1.527075	/// just.snack.impact	3	1	7	25	Sapling	Normal	Fair	· Churchyard · Fence within falling distance · Fence under canopy · Grass surround · Road within falling distance	· Basal suckers (x3) · Crown issues or observations - Horse Chestnut leaf miner and leaf blotch affecting leaves. · Ivy or climbing plants · Low hanging branches · Multi stemmed	· Lift canopy to 2.5m  · Removal basal growth - remove 3 basal growths less than 15cm (x3)	Routine within 12 months
006644	33	Fraxinus excelsior (Common Ash)	outside fence of Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190507, -1.527029	/// tidy.invent.prompting	2	1	7	20	Young	Normal	Fair	· Fence within falling distance · Fence under canopy · Grass surround · Road under canopy · Road within falling distance	· Ash dieback · Ash stage 1 = 76-100% canopy remaining · Bifurcated	· Fell - Self seeded	Routine within 12 months

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006645	36	Tilia cordata (Small-leaved Lime)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190590, -1.527028	/// sound.shaped.excuse	1	1	13	54	Young	Normal	Good	· Churchyard · Fence within falling distance · Fence under canopy · Grass surround · Road within falling distance	· Basal suckers · Epicormic growth · Low hanging branches	· Lift canopy to 3m - over churchyard · Lift canopy to 5m - over road	Priority within 3 months for reasons of health and safety.
006646	37	Tilia cordata (Small-leaved Lime)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190688, -1.527038	/// take.odds.camp	1	1	13	67	Middle aged	Normal	Good	· Bench · Churchyard · Footpath within falling distance · Grass surround · Parking within falling distance · Road under canopy · Road within falling distance	· Basal suckers · Hanging broken branches - small ones roadside · Low hanging branches · Minor dead wood <50mm · Stem issues or observations - stake embedded in trunk	· Lift canopy to 3m - over churchyard · Lift canopy to 5m - over roadside	Priority within 3 months for reasons of health and safety.
006647	38	Prunus cerasifera (Cherry Plum)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190716, -1.527165	///post.logs.serve	1	1	12	50	Middle aged	Normal	Good	· Bench · Churchyard · Footpath within falling distance · Footpath under canopy · Grass surround	· Bifurcated · Crown shape distorted due to group pressure · Exposed roots / damaged roots · Girdling roots · Low hanging branches · Major dead wood >50mm · Mower or strimmer damage	· Remove dead wood (>50mm ) · Lift canopy to 3m	Priority within 3 months for reasons of health and safety.
006648	39	Prunus cerasifera (Cherry Plum)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190695, -1.527252	/// aside.dance.chip	1	1	20	67	Middle aged	Normal	Good	· Churchyard · Footpath within falling distance · Footpath under canopy · Gravestones · Grass surround · Public footpath	· Branch stubs present · Exposed roots / damaged roots · Low hanging branches · Minor dead wood <50mm · Mower or strimmer damage · Narrow or tight forks	· Lift canopy to 3m	Routine within 12 months
006650	40	Buxus sempervirens (Box)	Churchyard of St Mary's Church	51.190492, -1.527919	/// invent.prep.dices	1	1	6	15	Middle aged	Low	Fair	· Churchyard · Gravestones · Grass surround	· Die back · Diseased - Box blight · Ivy or climbing plants · Multi stemmed	None currently required.	No tree work required





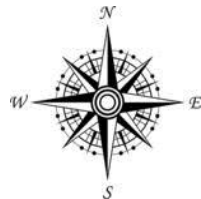
**Overview Tree Survey Plan for St Marys Church Abbots Ann**

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Date

12/09/2025





## Photographic record of the trees in St Marys Churchyard, Abbots Ann

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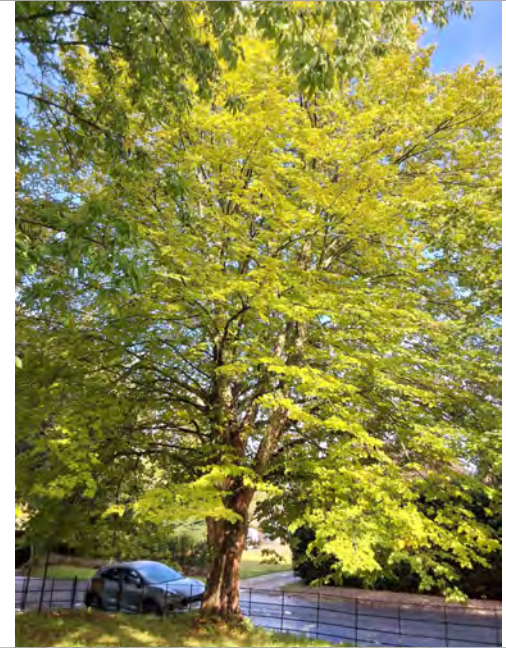
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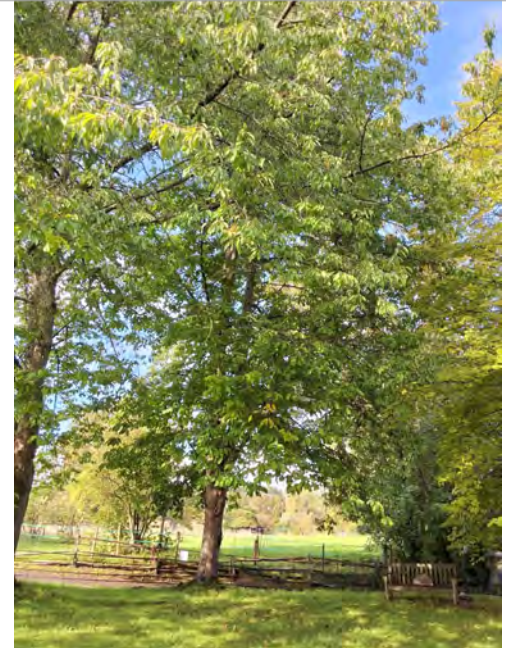
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# Tree survey general guidance notes

## Tree survey notes and guidance

The tree survey is a brief assessment of the trees at the time of the inspection from ground level for health and safety and to provide guidance on the short and long-term management of the tree stock within the site. It is not intended to be a guarantee of tree safety in any form, as trees are living changing dynamic organisms. Estimates for dimensions were used where access was restricted. General descriptive details were noted about trees including tree work recommendations. All the data gathered is recorded on a tablet using Ezytreev tree management software.

## Full code

Each tree, group, hedge or woodland surveyed will be assigned a **reference number** which will relate to its location on a tree survey plan e.g. individual trees start with **Sgl** and have a numerical number, groups have **Grp** at the start, shrubs have an **Shr**, and hedges have **Hdg** and Woodlands have a **Wd** and Woodland Compartments start with **Wdc**.

## Sequence number

This is a user-defined sequence number applied to the tree survey order after the code above.

## Species

Tree species will be in both a **common name** and a **botanical Latin** name.

## Group species

Where groups or hedges are recorded with more than one species present, a count if possible will be carried out and associated with each tree and shrub species present.

## Tree position and additional position

This is the reference location for where the tree is located within a site with additional information on the exact location. The locations of the trees are also plotted against the mapping system on Ezytreev.

### **Canopy Spread**

This is taken in **metres** as a diameter across the width of the whole canopy or calculated from the cardinal points based on pacing the distance on the ground.

### **Trunk**

Trunk/stem diameters are measured in **cm** at 1.5 metres above ground level for single-stemmed trees, or immediately above the root flare for multi-stemmed trees, using a specialist tape for converting the girth to a diameter measurement. Where access to the stem is not feasible an estimate will be made.

### **No. of stems**

The number of stems for a tree is recorded and also this relates to the number of trees or stems in a group, hedge or woodland.

### **Age**

An assessment of a tree's age classification is made in terms of its maturity within the site's landscape and recorded thus: **Sapling / Young / Middle Aged / Mature / Over Mature / Veteran.**

### **Vigour**

Is an assessment of the annual growth of the tree and the categories are low, normal, and strong.

### **Condition**

An assessment of a tree's overall **condition** is to be made as **Good, Fair, Poor, or Dead.**

<b>Good</b>	Generally in healthy condition and no structural defects observed
<b>Fair</b>	Condition satisfactory with minor structural defects that could be remediated with pruning or tree shows adaptation
<b>Poor</b>	Tree in decline, of poor structural form or of low health
<b>Dead</b>	Not alive



### **Site features and targets**

These are a description of the location of where the tree, group or hedge is situated.

### **Tree conditions and observations**

Tree attributes and observations are key descriptions of the individual tree, group, hedge, woodland or compartment including defects, problems and previous tree works.

### **Tree Work Recommendations**

Preliminary tree management recommendations are recommended based on the assessment of the tree and will have a **time scale** for when the works should be carried out or within a set time. All tree work to be carried out in accordance with BS3398:2010 and taking into account the timing of year to avoid nesting birds and protected species like bats.

### **Statutory designations**

Before proceeding with any of the recommendations made within the tree survey, it is essential to carry out a check to see if any statutory designations apply. If the trees are within a Conservation Area or the subject of a Tree Preservation Order, the permission of the Local Authority will be required before carrying out any tree works. Furthermore, if the works exceed 5 cubic metres in timber volume within one calendar quarter this may require a felling licence. In addition, it is important to note key ecological and wildlife considerations for example the potential for trees to be bat roots, or the nesting bird season and wildlife habit and only carry out works in the appropriate season unless the works are urgent.

### **Priority**

Timescale for carrying out any recommended works. They are colour coded to make it clear that red is high priority within 1 month or less, orange is priority for within 3 months for reasons of health and safety. Green is for routine work within 12 months. Yellow is for monitoring within 12 months.

### **Ivy as a tree survey limitation on site**

Where ivy is present it is not possible at the time of the survey to fully assess the condition of the stem or stems and when ivy covers the tree the same applies. A follow-up re-inspection would be recommended following the severance or removal of ivy to enable a further assessment.

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**Arboricultural Consultant, Chartered Arboriculturist and Company Director**



Amelia is the principal arboricultural consultant and company director of The Arboricultural Company, which she founded in February 2020. She has over 20 years of experience in arboriculture and previously ran her own tree consultancy company earlier in her career and has gained a wide range of knowledge and experience in all her previous roles. She is also an assessor for the Institute of Chartered Foresters (ICF) as well as an active member of various strategy task and finish groups of the ICF.

She holds the following accreditations, memberships and qualifications relevant to arboriculture:

## **Chartered status**

- Chartered Arboriculturist (MICFor)
- Chartered Environmentalist (CEnv)

## **Professional memberships**

- Professional Member of the Institute of Chartered Foresters
- Professional Member of the Arboricultural Association

## **Qualifications**

- BSc Degree in Geography and Environmental Management (Royal Holloway University of London)
- Veteran Tree Specialist Consulting Level (2023)
- Professional Diploma in Arboriculture (Royal Forestry Society) (Dip Arb L6)
- Technicians Certificate in Arboriculture (Arboricultural Association) (Dip Arb L4 ABC)
- Certificate in Arboriculture (Royal Forestry Society)
- Aspire To Excellence leadership and management training NCFE (Level 5) Certificate
- Safety, Health and Environmental Management (Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (IOSH))
- City and Guilds Certificate in Further Education Stage 3 (Level 4) (Cert Ed. F.E)

Before then she was the Arboricultural Officer for Test Valley Borough Council for over four years within Community and Leisure Services. She was responsible for the tree management of all trees and woodlands on council-owned land, including reactive enquiries of around 700 per annum. The tree survey programme includes visual tree assessments and health and safety monitoring with a recent focus on ash dieback, oak processionary moth and tree planting. She used Ezytreev tree management software to enable the holistic tree management of around 21,000 assets, equating to around 66,000 trees with an annual target of 6,000 assets on a resurvey programme. She was responsible for the delivery of all the tree works, and the tree contractor management focused on the health and safety of the delivery, with an annual budget responsibility of around £400k for tree works and replacement tree planting.

Her role previously for ten years was the Pan Garrison Trees, Grounds and Gardens Manager for Aspire Defence Services Limited, managing their tree and woodland management and maintenance plus the grounds maintenance and garden service delivery across seven garrisons on behalf of the

Ministry of Defence. The main focus of her role involved managing the £2.3 million evergreen contract for all three service areas and ensuring that this was delivered in accordance with the specifications and service level agreements.

Prior to that, she was an arboricultural consultant based in Hampshire and the director of Amelia Williams Ltd alongside her role initially and, prior to that, the director of Arborsphere Ltd since 2007.

Prior to starting her first company, she was working as a senior consultant for CBA Trees in Twyford in Hampshire from 2004 to 2007, assessing a wide range of arboricultural issues for projects across the UK, and reached associate-level partnership. The main focus is related to carrying out tree surveys in accordance with BS5837:2005 and development sites.

Before becoming an arboricultural consultant, she was a lecturer in arboriculture at Moulton College in Northampton for two years, teaching both the theory and practical aspects of the RFS Certificate in Arboriculture, the Higher National Diploma in Urban Forestry, the National Diploma and National Certificate in Arboriculture and the National Diploma in Horticulture.

Amelia started her arboricultural career in 2000 as a tree surveyor/tree officer for Test Valley Borough Council, where she undertook the task of reviewing the status of all Tree Preservation Orders, including converting the paper-based system to that of a computerised system on a GIS package. She also designed the Access database to manage existing and new Tree Preservation Orders.

## **Range of arboricultural specialisms**

- Arboricultural consultancy
- Tree management plans for a single tree up to large tree collections (over 40,000 trees)
- Tree survey work for a wide range of sites and for a wide range of clients (residential gardens, parish and town councils, local authorities, private estates)
- Veteran tree surveys and management plans
- Tree inspections and hazard risk assessments, including health and safety issues around risk management
- Tree contract management and tree work compliance monitoring
- Tree Preservation Order advice and trees in Conservation Areas and felling licences
- Arboricultural constraints and implications assessments and method statements
- Arboricultural site and project management, including arboricultural supervision
- Arboricultural design, including tree planting projects on both small and large scales
- Leadership and management, including running my own consultancy business
- Arboricultural lectures and presentations and general training and guidance

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