

**TREE SURVEY REPORT
HEYFORD PARK
On behalf of
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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This amended tree removal schedule has been prepared by Paul Crofts of Pegasus Planning (Dip LA, CMLI, Tech. Arbor A). This schedule is based by comparing the original Tree Survey Plan produced by Nicholsons in 2006 with the drawing entitled 'Trees Which could be Lost Through Development' produced by MacGregor Smith (Appendix 5).
- 1.2 It was agreed verbally with Mr John Brewin (Cherwell Tree Officer) that although the Tree Survey produced by Nicholsons in 2006 is slightly out of date the trees are unlikely to have changed dramatically over the intervening period. It was therefore considered that a complete revised tree survey of approximately 3,000 trees would not serve any useful purpose at this stage of the planning process and that surveys relating to each phase of development could be more usefully carried out at the detailed planning application stage. There also seemed to be little benefit from carrying out a random survey of selected trees. Mr Brewin specifically expressed a desire that the previous schedules should be reorganised with just one schedule, in numerical order, of trees to be removed due to development rather than three (one for each category A, B and C).
- 1.3 This document lists all trees which would have to be removed for arboricultural reasons (Category R), those which would be lost to the proposed development and the phasing out of exotic conifers and trees which have already been felled (Appendices 1, 2 and 3). There is also a schedule of trees which would be retained (Appendix 4).
- 1.4 The Upper Heyford site is a conservation area and as a consequence all trees over 75mm diameter (measured at 1.5 metres above ground level) are protected. Before full planning permission is obtained it will be necessary to obtain prior approval from the local planning authority before carrying out any tree work or removing any trees on the site. On receiving notification of such works the planning authority have six weeks in which to respond and they have three options available as follows:
- To respond allowing the works to proceed
 - To not respond within six weeks in which case the works can proceed by default
 - To respond not permitting the works in which case they must place a Tree Preservation on the trees/trees

- 1.5 Failure to obtain the appropriate approval before carry out works to protected trees can result in a substantial fine. However, if full planning permission is obtained it is not necessary to obtain consent to remove or carry out works to trees if required in order to implement the permitted development.