



July 2025 - Reactive Tree Works Programme

Introduction

A survey of trees in the North Richmond ward is currently being undertaken; this is being conducted by specialist arboricultural officers as part of the scheduled 4 yearly detailed inspection regime that has been devised for all Council highway and parks trees.

On a monthly basis the Council’s arboricultural officers undertake tree assessments that sit outside of the scheduled 4 yearly inspection programme, generally this is in response to customer enquiries.

These inspections take place to ensure that Council is compliant with the statutory duties which are highlighted within the [Council's Adopted Tree Policy](#).

Recent reactive inspections have identified the need for 122 individual tree work operations to take place. This work will now be issued to the Council’s Arborist Contractor KPS, for completion over the summer and autumn period.

Unfortunately, and as to be expected with surveys of a large treestock with specimen of varying age and condition, we have identified trees that can no longer be safely retained, and we will therefore be carrying out complete removal. The Council will aim to plant replacement trees during the next planting season which runs from November through to March; in some instances, this timing of planting may be affected by the available Highway Management resources that are required to repair disrupted pavements.

We will be erecting notices upon each tree being removed, alerting the public to the proposals giving sufficient time for residents to log enquiries. Prior to the removal taking place signage will be erected informing of a date of works, this is to make vehicle owners aware of the need to leave any parking space free to allow the works to proceed in a safe and timely manner.

The following pages provide the locations of each tree that is to be removed, in addition photographs and descriptions of the inspection findings have been provided.

These trees are exempt from the duty to consult.

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Barnes

Ward	Barnes
Road	Lonsdale Road
Location	Opposite 46
Species	London Plane (<i>Platanus x hispanica</i>)
Height	17.0m
Physiological Condition	Poor
Structural Condition	Fair
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is moribund; removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk, and facilitate replanting.

Site images:



Image shows moribund tree in street scene.

East Sheen

Ward	East Sheen
Road	Church Avenue
Location	Adjacent to Firmston House
Species	Whitebeam (<i>Sorbus aria</i>)
Height	5.5m
Physiological Condition	Good
Structural Condition	Fair
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is excessively leaning across the footway causing an unreasonable obstruction. Removal is required to manage the unacceptable risk of pedestrian injury and facilitate replanting.

Site images:



Image shows leaning tree street scene.

Ward	East Sheen
Road	Fife Road
Location	Sheen common ///damp.fluid.wacky
Species	Lime (Tilia sp.)
Height	12.0m
Physiological Condition	Dead
Structural Condition	Dead
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is dead; removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk, and facilitate replanting

Site images:



Image shows dead tree in park scene.

Ham, Petersham and Richmond Riverside

Ward	Ham, Petersham and Richmond Riverside
Road	Ham Farm Road
Location	Ham Common Woods- ///pillow.glow.kicked
Species	Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>)
Height	14.0m
Physiological Condition	Dead
Structural Condition	Dead
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree has died due to a fungal pathogen called 'sooty bark disease' (<i>Cryptostroma corticale</i>). This fungus disrupts the tree's vascular system, preventing the effective transport of water and nutrients, and leads to the cracking and peeling of bark, exposing masses of black fungal spores and tree death. The establishment of this disease also affects the structural integrity of the affected tree, causing branches to become brittle and predisposed to collapse. Removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk and prevent further release of spores which pose a respiratory risk to humans.

Site images:



Image shows dead tree in woodland scene.

Ward	Ham, Petersham and Richmond Riverside
Road	Ham Farm Road
Location	Ham Common Woods- /// sizes.tags.crew
Species	Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>)
Height	10.0m
Physiological Condition	Dead
Structural Condition	Dead
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree has died due to a fungal pathogen called ‘sooty bark disease’ (<i>Cryptostroma corticale</i>). This fungus disrupts the tree’s vascular system, preventing the effective transport of water and nutrients, and leads to the cracking and peeling of bark, exposing masses of black fungal spores and tree death. The establishment of this disease also affects the structural integrity of the affected tree, causing branches to become brittle and predisposed to collapse. Removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk and prevent further release of spores which pose a respiratory risk to humans.

Site images:

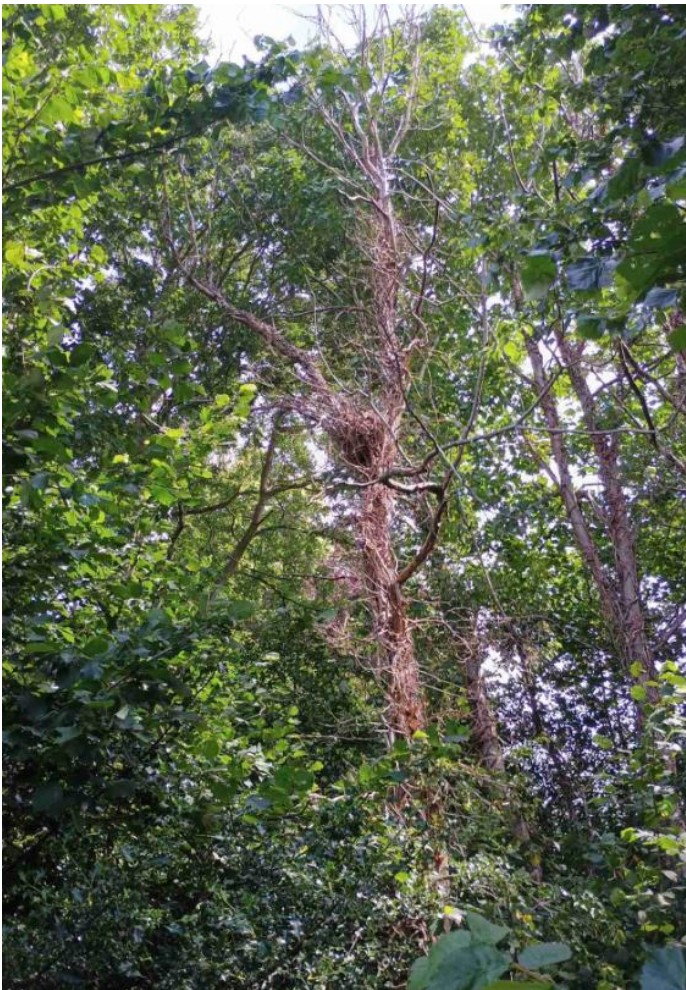


Image shows dead tree in woodland scene.

Ward	Ham, Petersham and Richmond Riverside
Road	Ham Farm Road
Location	Ham Common Woods- /// ruler.jukebox.aura
Species	Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>)
Height	10.0m
Physiological Condition	Dead
Structural Condition	Dead
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree has died due to a fungal pathogen called ‘sooty bark disease’ (<i>Cryptostroma corticale</i>). This fungus disrupts the tree’s vascular system, preventing the effective transport of water and nutrients, and leads to the cracking and peeling of bark, exposing masses of black fungal spores and tree death. The establishment of this disease also affects the structural integrity of the affected tree, causing branches to become brittle and predisposed to collapse. Removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk and prevent further release of spores which pose a respiratory risk to humans.

Site images:



Image shows dead tree in woodland scene.

Hampton Wick and South Teddington

Ward	Teddington
Road	Udney Park Road
Location	Outside 83
Species	Silver maple (<i>Acer saccharinum</i>)
Height	20.0m
Physiological Condition	Poor
Structural Condition	Fair
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is moribund with over 70% of the crown being dead; removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk and facilitate replanting

Site images:



Image shows moribund tree in street scene

Kew

Ward	Kew
Road	Marksbury Avenue
Location	Opposite 3
Species	Cherry (<i>Prunus sp.</i>)
Height	7.5m
Physiological Condition	Fair
Structural Condition	Poor
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	Investigation with a probe and a resonance test with a sounding hammer has revealed an unacceptable amount of decay beyond the visible cavities at the base of the trunk. Removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk, and facilitate replanting.

Site images:



Image shows tree in street scene.



Image shows prob in cavity at base of trunk circled.

Mortlake and Barnes Common

Ward	Mortlake and Barnes Common
Road	Sheen Lane
Location	Mortlake Green- ///farmer.deflection.double
Species	Black locust (<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>)
Height	12.5m
Physiological Condition	Fair
Structural Condition	Poor
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	Investigation with a probe and a resonance test with a sounding hammer has revealed an unacceptable amount of decay beyond the visible cavities at the base of the trunk. Removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk, and facilitate replanting.

Site images:



Image shows tree in park scene.



Image shows prob in cavity at base of trunk circled.



Image shows prob in cavity at base of trunk circled.

North Richmond

Ward	North Richmond
Road	Carlton Road
Location	Outside 8
Species	Tibetan cherry (<i>Prunus serrula</i>)
Height	5.0m
Physiological Condition	Poor
Structural Condition	Poor
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	A fungal fruiting body of the decay fungus <i>Ganoderma sp.</i> is present on the trunk above a historic bark wound caused by a vehicle strike. Colonisation by this fungus results in white rot affecting the stem and root system, which can lead to structural failure through fracture or windthrow. Crown dieback is evident and correlates with the presence of the decay fungi. Removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk, and facilitate replanting.

Site images:



Image shows tree in street scene.



Image shows fungal fruiting bodies circled in red.

Ward	North Richmond
Road	Carlton Road
Location	Outside 12/14
Species	Tibetan cherry (<i>Prunus serrula</i>)
Height	6.0m
Physiological Condition	Poor
Structural Condition	Fair
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is moribund with over 50% of the crown being dead; removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk, and facilitate replanting

Site images:



Image shows moribund tree in street scene.

Ward	North Richmond
Road	Graemesdyke Avenue
Location	Outside 2
Species	Birch (<i>Betula sp.</i>)
Height	4.0m
Physiological Condition	Dead
Structural Condition	Dead
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is dead; removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk, and facilitate replanting

Site images:



Image shows dead tree in street scene.

Ward	North Richmond
Road	Graemesdyke Avenue
Location	Outside 54
Species	Swedish whitebeam (<i>Sorbus x intermedia</i>)
Height	6.0m
Physiological Condition	Poor
Structural Condition	Fair
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is moribund with over 50% of the crown being dead; removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk, and facilitate replanting.

Site images:



Image shows moribund tree in street scene.

Ward	North Richmond
Road	Graemesdyke Avenue
Location	Outside 23
Species	Wild cherry (<i>Prunus avium</i>)
Height	9.0m
Physiological Condition	Poor
Structural Condition	Poor
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	A fungal fruiting body of the decay fungus <i>Ganoderma sp.</i> is present at the base of the trunk. Colonisation by this fungus results in white rot affecting the stem and root system, which can lead to structural failure through fracture or windthrow. Crown dieback is evident and correlates with the presence of the decay fungi. Removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk, and facilitate replanting.

Site images:



Image shows moribund tree in street scene.



Image shows fungal fruiting body circled.

Ward	North Richmond
Road	Denehurst Gardens
Location	Outside 17
Species	Rowan (<i>Sorbus aucuparia</i>)
Height	6.5m
Physiological Condition	Dead
Structural Condition	Dead
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is dead; removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk, and facilitate replanting

Site images:



Image shows dead tree in street scene.

South Richmond

Ward	South Richmond
Road	Paradise Road
Location	St Mary Magdalene church ///like.cabin.quarrel
Species	Cherry (<i>Prunus</i> sp.)
Height	6.0m
Physiological Condition	Dead
Structural Condition	Dead
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is dead; removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk, and facilitate replanting

Site images:

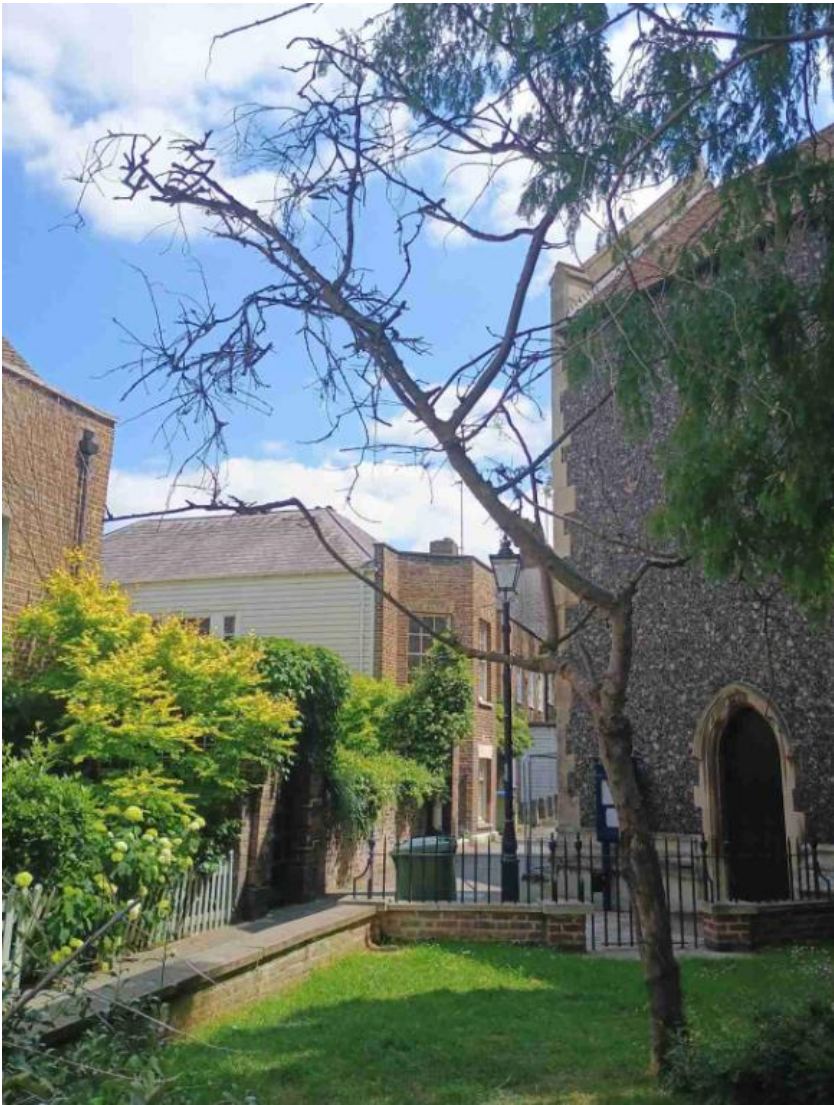


Image shows dead tree in church scene.

Ward	South Richmond
Road	Paradise Road
Location	St Mary Magdalene church ///defeat.fines.anyone
Species	Birch (<i>Betula</i> sp.)
Height	10.0m
Physiological Condition	Poor
Structural Condition	Fair
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is moribund; removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk, and facilitate replanting

Site images:



Image shows moribund tree in church scene.

Ward	South Richmond
Road	Paradise Road
Location	St Mary Magdalene church /// mount.lift.shaky
Species	Cherry (<i>Prunus</i> sp.)
Height	6.0m
Physiological Condition	Dead
Structural Condition	Dead
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is dead; removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk, and facilitate replanting

Site images:



Image shows dead tree in church scene.

Ward	South Richmond
Road	Paradise Road
Location	St Mary Magdalene church /// orbit.income.grin
Species	Cherry (<i>Prunus</i> sp.)
Height	6.0m
Physiological Condition	Dead
Structural Condition	Dead
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is dead; removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk, and facilitate replanting

Site images:

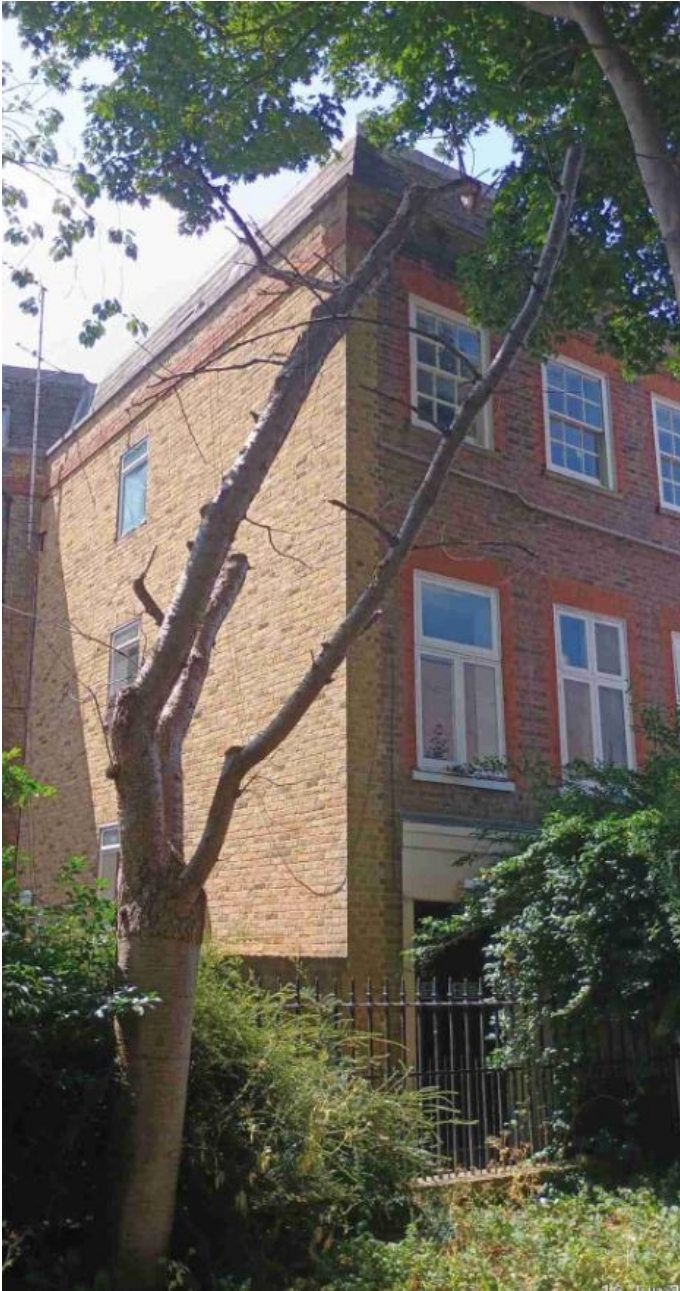


Image shows dead tree in church scene.

Teddington

Ward	Teddington
Road	Clarence Road
Location	Outside 51
Species	Horse chestnut (<i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i>)
Height	16.0m
Physiological Condition	Poor
Structural Condition	Fair
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is moribund with over 50% of the crown being dead; removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk and facilitate replanting

Site images:



Image shows moribund tree in street scene.

Ward	Teddington
Road	Ferry Road
Location	St. Marys Church- ///seats.salt.email
Species	Sycamore (<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>)
Height	17.0m
Physiological Condition	Dead
Structural Condition	Dead
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is dead; removal is required to prevent natural failure and manage risk.

Site images:



Image shows dead tree in churchyard scene.

Twickenham Riverside

Ward	Twickenham Riverside
Road	Heath Road
Location	Outside 58
Species	Ash (<i>Fraxinus sp.</i>)
Height	7.5m
Physiological Condition	Poor
Structural Condition	Fair
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is moribund with over 40% of the crown being dead; removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk and facilitate replanting

Site images:



Image shows moribund tree in street scene

Ward	Twickenham Riverside
Road	Claremont Road
Location	Outside 19/21
Species	Norway maple (<i>Acer platanoides</i>)
Height	16.0m
Physiological Condition	Poor
Structural Condition	Fair
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is moribund with over 60% of the crown being dead; removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk and facilitate replanting

Site images:



Image shows moribund tree in street scene

Ward	Twickenham Riverside
Road	Sion Road
Location	Outside Lebanon Court- /// frames.sports.direct
Species	Black alder (<i>Alnus glutinosa</i>)
Height	12.0m
Physiological Condition	Dead
Structural Condition	Dead
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is dead; removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk and facilitate replanting

Site images:



Image shows dead tree in street scene

Whitton

Ward	Whitton
Road	Hazel Close
Location	Outside 68
Species	Cherry (<i>Prunus sp.</i>)
Height	5.0m
Physiological Condition	Dead
Structural Condition	Dead
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	This tree is dead; removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk, and facilitate replanting

Site images:



Image shows dead tree in street scene.

Ward	Whitton
Road	Grasmere Avenue
Location	Outside 42/44
Species	Cherry plum (<i>Prunus cerasifera</i>)
Height	6.5m
Physiological Condition	Poor
Structural Condition	Fair
Inspection findings/reason for exemption	Fruiting bodies of the cushion fungus (<i>Phellinus pomaceus</i>) are present on the main stem of this tree. This fungus causes a crumbly white rot, which commonly leads to stem failure in this species. Dieback in the crown correlates with the presence of the pathogen on the trunk. Removal is required to prevent natural failure, manage risk, and facilitate replanting

Site images:



Image shows tree in street scene.



Image shows fruiting bodies circled on trunk.