

Palmerston North City Council

Notable Tree Survey March and April 2011

Address	127 Fitzherbert Avenue	
Tree name	Oak (<i>Quercus robur</i>)	
Location of the tree on the site	Street frontage	
Owner's name		
Date of Inspection	29 March 2011	Inspected by John Wakeling

Dimensions

Height m: 12	Girth @ 1.4m: 2.72	Spread m: 12
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Condition Evaluation

Points	3	9	15	21	27	Score
Form	Poor	Moderate	Good	Very Good	Specimen	15
Occurrence	Predominant	Common	Infrequent	Rare	Very Rare	9
Vigour & Vitality	Poor	Some	Good	Very Good	Excellent	21
Function	Minor	Useful	Important	Significant	Major	9
Age (years)	10+	20+	40+	80+	100+	5
Stature (m)	3-8m	9 - 14m	15 - 20m	21 - 26	27+	9
Subtotal						68

Amenity Evaluation

Points	3	9	15	21	27	Score
Public Accessibility	Private	Visible from Road	Front Yard	Semi Public	Public (free access)	21
Visibility	No view	Visible from local road	Visible from collector rd	Visible from principal rd	Visible from arterial rd	27
Proximity	Forest	Parkland	Group of 10+	Group of 3+	Solitary	21
Role	Minor	Moderate	Important	Significant	Major	15
Effect on Climate	Minor	Moderate	Important	Significant	Major	15
Subtotal						99

Notable Evaluation

Recognition Points	3	9	15	21	27	Score
Stature						
Feature	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Form	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Historic						
Age 100+	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Association	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Commemoration	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Remnant	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Relict	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Scientific						
Source	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Rarity	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Endangered	Local	District	Regional	National	International	
Subtotal						0

Total Points

167

Inspection Report

Requested for/by	Routine	Storm Damage	Owner	Developer	DP Review	
Pruning History	Cleared from the roof and to give more light					
Built Environment	Small tight dev'pment	Standard suburban	Large house and grounds	Motel and grounds		
Garden environment	Solo tree	Few trees	Many trees	Mainly exotic/native		
Local Environment	Few trees	Some trees	Well treed neighbourhood			
Age Class	young	Semi mature	Mature	Post mature		
Special value	Horticultural	Landscape	Specimen	Historical	Botanical	
Structural Character	Single leader	Double leader	Multi-stemmed	Included bark unions	Typical	Atypical
Form	Refer to STEM score sheet					
Crown Shape	Typical	Atypical	Wide/spreading/low crown	Influenced by wind	Affected by other trees	
Foliage Health	Good	Poor, if so, explain				
Limb Structure	Typical or sound	Atypical, if so, explain	Some asymmetry due to the wind pruning effect			
Trunk character	Pronounced lean tow the building. No signs of root damage or fungi.					
Root Zone	Garden	Natural	Lawn/paddock	U/g services apparent?	Hard surface, if so, explain	
Comments	A pleasant tree, with a considerable role in the landscape.					

Maintenance Required

Category	Priority	Recommended Action	Timing (from April 2011)	Actioned	Completed
Amenity	routine	The tree had been regularly crown lifted and cleared from the roof. The inner crown is quite twiggy – it would benefit from some crown thinning.	Carry out thinning and roof clearance every 5 years.		
Health	-				
Safety	-				
Overhanging b'dry		Reduce some of the longer branches – it is not desirable to reduce the crown by a large amount.			

Standard procedures	Deadwood – crown lift – reduced crown width – thin crown – height reduction (not rec'nded for notable trees) - other
Special Measures and recommendations	Mulch base – irrigate – improve drainage – underplant – cable brace - other
Timeline	Now - 5 years - 5 yearly - As required

Changes noticed in last five years	Die-back/health – developments nearby – excavations nearby
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Photographs.



Figure 1. the tree in its setting



Figure 2. the tree in the overall street scene



Figure 3. The overhanging branches could be reduced to give more clearance from the windows.