

Palmerston North City Council

Notable Tree Survey March and April 2011

Address	632 Pioneer Highway	
Tree name	Black beech (<i>Nothofagus solandri</i>)	
Location of the tree on the site	Close to the entrance drive, near holiday cabins	
Owner's name		
Date of Inspection	31 March 2011	Inspected by John Wakeling

Dimensions

Height m: 14	Girth @ 1.4m:3.1	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	15
Vigour & Vitality	Poor	Some	Good	Very Good	Excellent	15
Function	Minor	Useful	Important	Significant	Major	15
Age (years)	10+	20+	40+	80+	100+	15
Stature (m)	3-8m	9 - 14m	15 - 20m	21 - 26	27+	9
Subtotal						84

Amenity Evaluation

Points	3	9	15	21	27	Score
Public Accessibility	Private	Visible from Road	Front Yard	Semi Public	Public (free access)	27
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	15
Role	Minor	Moderate	Important	Significant	Major	15
Effect on Climate	Minor	Moderate	Important	Significant	Major	9
Subtotal						93

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

177

Inspection Report

Requested for/by	Routine	Storm Damage	Owner	Developer	DP Review
Pruning History	Has not been pruned for long time				
Built Environment	Small tight dev'pment	Standard suburban	Large house and grounds	Camp ground	
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 scoresheet				
Crown Shape	Typical	Atypical	Wide/spreading/low crown	Influenced by wind	Affected by other trees
Foliage Health	Good	Poor, if so, explain	Some indication of smaller, sparser leaves on the eastward side of the crown. See photo 3		
Limb Structure	Typical or sound	Atypical, if so, explain	Some branch unions with included bark		
Trunk character	Rugged looking trunk much character with bulges, deep interstices between the buttresses.				
Root Zone	Garden	Natural	Lawn/paddock	U/g services apparent?	Hard surface, (if so, explain) – the driveway is being affected by root growth -
Comments	The tree appears quite healthy, but there is a lot of dead wood in the crown, and one dead branch at a lower level – a chain supporting a swing has constricted the sap flow.				

Maintenance Required

Category	Priority	Recommended Action	Timing (from April 2011)	Actioned	Completed
Amenity	urgent	Remove dead wood in the crown.	This year. Then 5 yearly		
Health	-	Apply a layer of mulch	On an annual basis		
Safety	See Amenity section above		ditto		
Overhanging b'dry					

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 dead limbs in upper canopy



Figure 2. trunk appears sound and growing well. Needs mulch



Figure 3. sparser foliage on eastern side. Can be examined during deadwooding programme



Figure 4. the dead lower limb should be removed

