



Invicta Arboriculture
Tree and Woodland Consultancy

Arboricultural Condition Report

Memorial Garden
Park Street
Lydd
Kent

10th September 2025



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1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 **Instruction:** I am instructed by Lydd Town Council to undertake a comprehensive hazard assessment tree survey of all trees and hedgerows within the Memorial Garden and to provide an arboricultural report on any trees which are considered to pose an unacceptable risk to the health and safety of users of the site and make recommendations for their immediate and/or future management.
- 1.2 **Qualifications and experience:** I have based this report on my site observations, and I have come to conclusions in the light of my experience as an arboriculturist.
- 1.3 **Documents and information provided:** I was not provided with any documents.
- 1.4 **Relevant background information:** This report was commissioned by Lydd Town Council in order to fulfil its duty of care in relation to its tree stock.
- 1.5 **Collection of data:** I undertook an unaccompanied visit to the site on the 11th September 2024. The inspection was carried out using visual observation techniques from accessible points at ground level. The weather at the time of inspection was warm, still and sunny with good visibility.

The survey was carried out using the following inspection aids:

- Digital clinometer- To calculate the height of the tree.
 - Compass- To determine the four cardinal points.
 - Binoculars- To assess the condition of the upper crown
 - Sounding mallet to detect cavities.
- 1.6 **Scope of this report and limitations:** This report is only concerned with the structural and physiological condition of the twenty-one trees and one hedgerow that are considered to possess noteworthy features, defects or whereby their structural and/or physiological condition is considered to be compromised in such a way that may pose an unacceptable risk to users of the site and those using private dwellings, public highways and rights of way adjacent to the site and are shown on the site plan included at appendix A. These plans are for illustrative purposes only and should not be used for directly scaling measurements. All the relevant information on them is contained within this report. It takes no account of any other trees. It includes a detailed assessment based on the site visit.

This report is only concerned with the twenty-one trees and one hedgerow found that have clear, observable features and detectable defects. All trees present within the site boundaries have been assessed from accessible points at ground level. Trees that are not listed within the schedule were considered to display good overall form and vitality with no significant visible structural or physiological defects; that is not to say that their condition may change over time (for example, internal decay that was undetectable, suspected or otherwise unforeseeable at the time of inspection could quite reasonably advance rapidly between inspections and lead to the structural failure of the affected part), however at the point of inspection they were deemed to pose an acceptable risk.

Trees and shrubs are living organisms whose health and stability can change rapidly especially following extreme weather events and therefore the recommendations given in this report are valid for a period of twelve months.

All tree work should be carried out to B.S. 3998:2010 *Recommendations for Tree Work* or as modified by more recent research. It is advisable to select a contractor from the local authority list and preferably one approved by the Arboricultural Association. Their Register of Contractors is available free from The Malthouse, Stroud Green, Standish, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire, GL10 3DL – 01242 522152 and can also be found on their website: <http://www.trees.org.uk/find-a-professional/Directory-of-Tree-Surgeons>.

- 1.7 **Trees subject to statutory controls:** If these trees are covered by a tree preservation order or located within a conservation area, it will be necessary to consult the relevant local authority (Folkestone and Hythe District Council) before any pruning or felling works other than certain exemptions can be carried out. However, tree owners should appreciate that they may take an alternative point of view and have the option to refuse consent.
- 1.8 **Other Considerations:** The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 as amended by the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 provides statutory protection to birds, bats and other species that inhabit trees. All tree work operations are covered by these provisions and care must be taken before undertaking any works that might constitute an offence.



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Lydd Memorial Garden, Park Street, Lydd

September 13, 2025 |
Total Group Count: 1

Group ID #1	
Group Details	
Common Name:	Common lime
Life Stage:	Mature
Physiological Condition:	Good
Estimated Remaining Contribution:	
Quality Category:	
Recommendations:	Continue with cyclical (three yearly) pollarding.
Comments:	Group of twenty-one Lime trees that are subject to cyclical pollarding. The last cycle was undertaken in 2024. All trees present are considered to pose a broadly acceptable risk to users of the site and neighbouring properties.

Photos

Street View

Map View

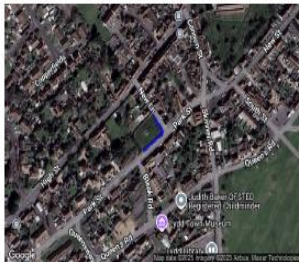




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Lydd Town Council - Memorial Garden

September 13, 2025 |
Total Hedges Count: 1

Hedge ID #1		Photos Street View Map View	
Hedge Details			
Common Name:	Common yew		
Life Stage:	Mature		
Physiological Condition:	Good		
Hedge Width [m]:	1		
Estimated Remaining Contribution:			
Recommendations:	None.		
Comments:	The Yew hedge extends around all boundaries of the Memorial Garden. The hedge is a close clipped formal feature of the garden. There is currently no sound arboricultural or horticultural justification for hard pruning the hedgerow to form a more compact hedgerow as this would result in the exposure of bare wood, which would take a significant amount of time to green back up as demonstrated within the garden where a section was hard pruned for a memorial bench some years ago.		





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Arboricultural Condition Report

The Rype
Lydd
Kent

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1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 **Instruction:** I am instructed by Lydd Town Council to undertake a comprehensive hazard assessment tree survey of all trees within The Rype and to provide an arboricultural report on any trees which are considered to pose an unacceptable risk to the health and safety of users of the site and make recommendations for their immediate and/or future management.
- 1.2 **Qualifications and experience:** I have based this report on my site observations, and I have come to conclusions in the light of my experience as an arboriculturist.
- 1.3 **Documents and information provided:** I was not provided with any documents.
- 1.4 **Relevant background information:** This report was commissioned by Lydd Town Council in order to fulfil its duty of care in relation to its tree stock.
- 1.5 **Collection of data:** I undertook an unaccompanied visit to the site on the 10th September 2025. The inspection was carried out using visual observation techniques from accessible points at ground level. The weather at the time of inspection was warm, still and sunny with good visibility.

The survey was carried out using the following inspection aids:

- Digital clinometer- To calculate the height of the tree.
 - Compass- To determine the four cardinal points.
 - Binoculars- To assess the condition of the upper crown
 - Sounding mallet to detect cavities.
- 1.6 **Scope of this report and limitations:** This report is only concerned with the structural and physiological condition of the seven trees that are considered to possess noteworthy features, defects or whereby their structural and/or physiological condition is considered to be compromised in such a way that may pose an unacceptable risk to users of the site and those using private dwellings, public highways and rights of way adjacent to the site and are shown on the site plan included at appendix A. These plans are for illustrative purposes only and should not be used for directly scaling measurements. All the relevant information on them is contained within this report. It takes no account of any other trees. It includes a detailed assessment based on the site visit.

This report is only concerned with the seven trees found that have clear, observable features and detectable defects. All trees present within the site boundaries have been assessed from accessible points at ground level. Trees that are not listed within the schedule were considered to display good overall form and vitality with no significant visible structural or physiological defects; that is not to say that their condition may change over time (for example, internal decay that was undetectable, suspected or otherwise unforeseeable at the time of inspection could quite reasonably advance rapidly between inspections and lead to the structural failure of the affected part), however at the point of inspection they were deemed to pose an acceptable risk.

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The Rype, Lydd, Kent

September 10, 2025 |
Total Tree Count: 7

Holm oak Tree ID #1 10 Skinner Road	
Tree Details	Tree Location
Common Name: Holm oak	Address: 10 Skinner Road
Scientific Name: Quercus ilex	City: Lydd
Tree Height [m]: 5	Longitude: 0.906845
Life Stage: Early-mature	Latitude: 50.949862
Physiological Condition: Dead	
Structural Condition: Fair	
Comments:	
Recommendations:	
Priority:	

The tree has died as a result of its bark being stripped from its main stem.

Remove the memorial bench; Fell the tree to ground level, grind out the stump and reinstate with topsoil and grass seed. Replant with a new tree (of whichever desired species) nearby and reinstall the memorial bench. The new tree should ideally be planted with a minimum stem girth of 12/14cm and be regularly watered and its base kept free of weed and grass growth for the first three years in order to ensure its establishment.

Priority 2 - 3 months

Photos **Street View** **Map View**



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Sycamore Tree ID #2 30 Skinner Road	
Tree Details	Tree Location
Common Name: Sycamore	Address: 30 Skinner Road
Scientific Name: Acer pseudoplatanus	City: Lydd
Tree Height [m]: 8	Longitude: 0.907068
Life Stage: Mature	Latitude: 50.948172
Physiological Condition: Good	
Structural Condition: Good	
Comments:	
Recommendations:	
Priority:	

Two minor cavities are evident at the base of this twin-stem tree on the eastern side measuring 200mm x 125mm and extending inwards by 25mm with minor decay evident. The tree is currently considered to pose an acceptable risk to users of the adjacent memorial bench, users of The Rype and adjacent highway.

None.

Photos **Street View** **Map View**



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Sycamore Tree ID #3 81 Manor Road	
Tree Details	
Common Name:	Sycamore
Scientific Name:	Acer pseudoplatanus
Tree Height [m]:	7
Life Stage:	Mature
Physiological Condition:	Fair
Structural Condition:	Good
Comments:	Early signs of bark delaminating at base of tree on the north side. Large diameter (>50mm) dead wood scattered throughout canopy. The tree is currently considered to pose an acceptable risk to users of The Rype, adjacent memorial bench And highway. No change since the 2024 inspection report.
Recommendations:	Prune out all large diameter deadwood.
Priority:	Priority 2 - 3 months
Tree Location	
Address:	81 Manor Road
City:	Lydd
Longitude:	0.908669
Latitude:	50.948345
Photos Street View Map View	
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Sycamore Tree ID #4 55 Manor Road	
Tree Details	
Common Name:	Sycamore
Scientific Name:	Acer pseudoplatanus
Tree Height [m]:	6
Life Stage:	Mature
Physiological Condition:	Good
Structural Condition:	Good
Comments:	A cavity measuring 250mm x 125mm is evident at the base of tree on the northern side. The cavity extends inwards by 300mm; the tree has a diameter at base of 330mm. Minor decay is evident within the cavity. The tree has a small compact canopy that is biased to the north and does not exert too much strain on the overall structure and as such the tree is currently considered to pose an acceptable Risk to users of The Rype.
Recommendations:	None.
Priority:	
Tree Location	
Address:	55 Manor Road
City:	Lydd
Longitude:	0.909619
Latitude:	50.949393
Photos Street View Map View	
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Monterey Pine Tree ID #5 23 Manor Road	
Tree Details	Tree Location
Common Name: Monterey Pine	Address: 23 Manor Road
Scientific Name: Pinus radiata	City: Lydd
Tree Height [m]: 10	Longitude: 0.910347
Life Stage: Mature	Latitude: 50.950234
Physiological Condition: Good	
Structural Condition: Good	Photos Street View Map View
Comments: A large concentration of large diameter (>50mm) deadwood is evident throughout the mid canopy of the tree on the south eastern side some of which has snapped out and is hung up within the canopy.	
Recommendations: Prune out all large diameter deadwood.	image.jpg 10/09/2025
Priority: Priority 2 - 3 months	

Monterey Pine Tree ID #6 13 Manor Road	
Tree Details	Tree Location
Common Name: Monterey Pine	Address: 13 Manor Road
Scientific Name: Pinus radiata	City: Lydd
Tree Height [m]: 4	Longitude: 0.910211
Life Stage: Mature	Latitude: 50.950661
Physiological Condition: Dead	
Structural Condition: Fair	Photos Street View Map View
Comments: This small Pine tree has died.	
Recommendations: Fell to ground level; grind out the stump and reinstate with topsoil and grass seed.	image.jpg 10/09/2025
Priority: Priority 3 - 6 months	

Monterey Pine Tree ID #7

1 Mill Road

Tree Details	
Common Name:	Monterey Pine
Scientific Name:	Pinus radiata
Tree Height [m]:	9
Life Stage:	Mature
Physiological Condition:	Good
Structural Condition:	Good
Comments:	Snapped large diameter (>50mm) branch hanging down at children's eye level on the eastern side of the canopy.
Recommendations:	Prune out snapped branch.
Priority:	Priority 2 - 3 months

Tree Location

Address:	1 Mill Road
City:	Lydd
Longitude:	0.909582
Latitude:	50.950587

Photos

Street View

Map View



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Arboricultural Condition Report

Lydd Cricket Ground
Dennes Lane
Lydd
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Report on trees at Lydd Cricket Ground, Dennes Lane, Lydd, Kent.
Invicta Arboriculture Ref: IA25/1104 – 10th September 2025

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Lydd Cricket Club, Dennes Lane, Lydd

September 10, 2025 |
Total Tree Count: 3

Swedish whitebeam Tree ID #1	
Dennes Lane	
Tree Details	
Common Name:	Swedish whitebeam
Scientific Name:	Sorbus intermedia
Tree Height [m]:	6
Life Stage:	Mature
Physiological Condition:	Good
Structural Condition:	Good
Comments:	Wound at base on north side of main stem measuring 600mm x 300mm with minor decay evident. Good wound wood formation is evident around the circumference of the wound. The tree is currently considered to pose an acceptable risk to Users of the site.
Recommendations:	None.
Priority:	
Tree Location	
Address:	Dennes Lane
City:	Lydd
Longitude:	0.903788
Latitude:	50.955286
Photos Street View Map View	
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English elm Tree ID #2	
Tree Details	
Common Name:	English elm
Scientific Name:	Ulmus procera
Tree Height [m]:	8
Life Stage:	Early-mature
Physiological Condition:	Dead
Structural Condition:	Poor
Comments:	Dead roadside tree.
Recommendations:	Fell to ground level.
Priority:	Priority 3 - 6 months
Tree Location	
Address:	
City:	
Longitude:	0.903435
Latitude:	50.955815
Photos Street View Map View	
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English elm Tree ID #3

Dennes Lane

Tree Details	
Common Name:	English elm
Scientific Name:	Ulmus procera
Tree Height [m]:	7
Life Stage:	Early-mature
Physiological Condition:	Dead
Structural Condition:	Poor
Comments:	Group of small dead Elm trees that are now beginning to collapse.
Recommendations:	Fell all dead Stems to ground level.
Priority:	Priority 2 - 3 months

Tree Location

Address:	Dennes Lane
City:	Lydd
Longitude:	0.903264
Latitude:	50.955895

Photos

Street View

Map View



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