Notification of proposed works to trees in North Lancing Conservation Area

This notification is for a limited programme of work on nine trees at 146 First Avenue, Lancing, BN15 0ET, in the North Lancing Conservation Area as follows (see Map 1 for locations, and photos at foot of application)

1. Remove lowest oddly-angled branch from Pin Oak to balance up tree
2. Reduce by 1.5m crown of cypress to shape and allow light to grass path beneath
3. Reduce by 1.5m the crown of a very large deciduous Magnolia that is too close to (and obscuring) the house
4. Remove the lower misshaped limb of a Pedunculate Oak to better balance the shape of the tree
5. Remove a spindly Spruce that is restricted in growth due to being sandwiched between a mature Walnut and Pedunculate Oak. No replant to allow Walnut and Oak space to grow.
6. Remove a spindly ivy-covered Spruce that is overcrowded by a mature Walnut. No replant to allow Walnut space to grow.
7. Remove a Holm Oak that is outcompeting the only Sweet Chestnut in the garden (there are two other mature Holm Oaks elsewhere in the garden). No replant to allow Sweet Chestnut space to grow.
8. Remove the lowest limb of a leaning Ash tree to give it better balance
9. Remove Bay tree which is shading out a mature Bramley Apple tree. No replant to allow Bramley space to grow.
10. Remove dying Red Maple - to be removed and replaced with a native hedge

The garden, which is being managed for wildlife, contains over 30 mature trees, 19 fruit trees (of which five have been planted in the last 5 years), 12 young native trees (of 12 species) planted in the last 5 years, and innumerable large bushes, self-sown saplings and long sections of wildlife hedge.

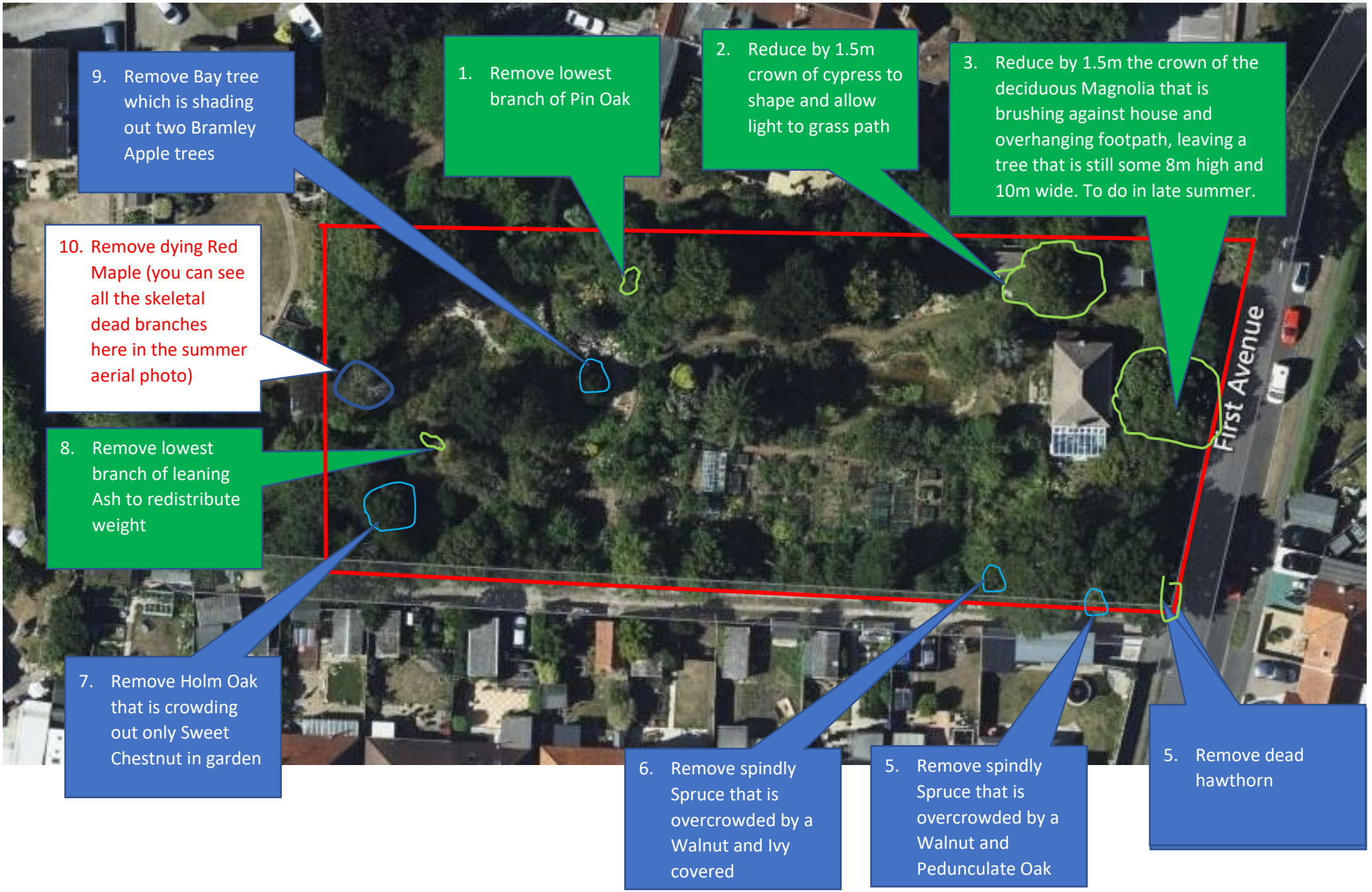
Map 2 shows the location of all the mature trees, fruit trees, and newly planted native trees in the garden, showing how the work due to take place is a tiny fraction of the trees in the garden

All logs from the tree work will be retained as log piles for the Stag Beetle population for which the garden is important; all shreddings will be kept, composted and used around the garden.

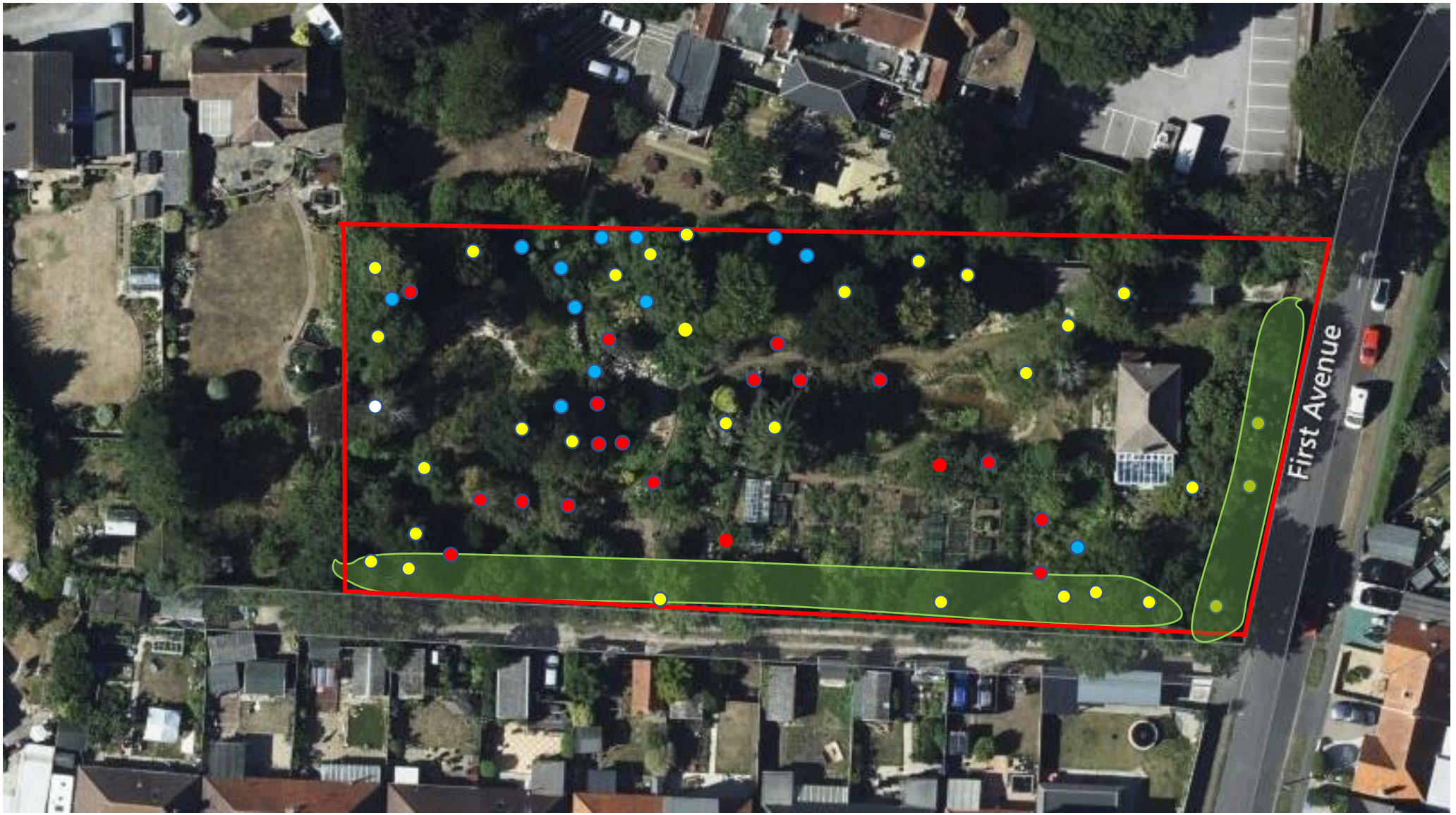
As well as the tree work above, the following work will be undertaken for which we understand no notification is needed, but is included for the sake of completeness:

- three large hedging Hazels will be coppiced (for bean poles)
- two bird-sown Elders will be pollarded to open up light to the front of the house and stop the overshadowing of specimen shrubs

Map 1: Tree work due to take place. Trees to be removed in blue; tree reduction in green



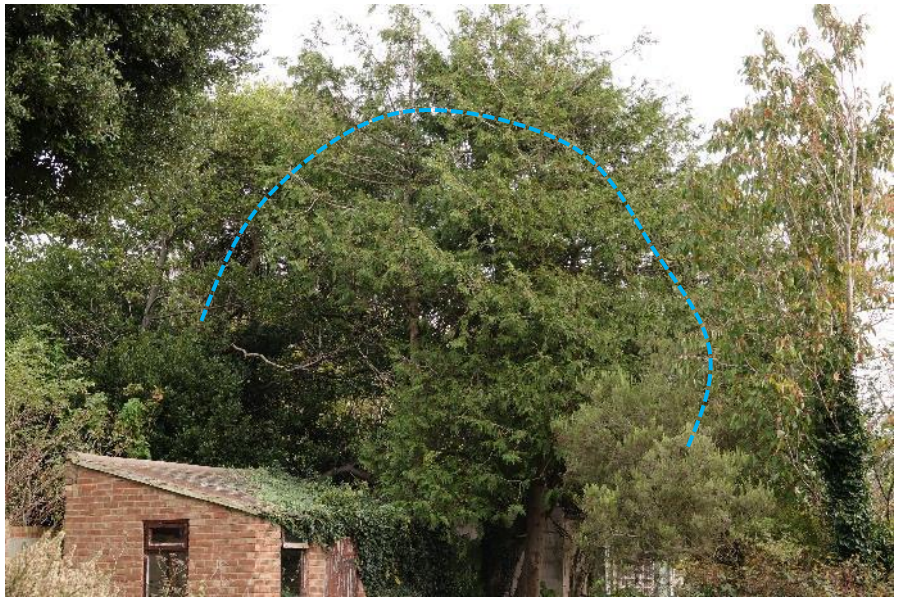
Map 2: Locations of all major trees in the garden: Yellow dots are mature trees; blue dots are recently planted native trees; red dots are fruit trees; green shapes are mature hedges, white is dying Red Maple.



1. Remove lowest oddly-angled branch from Pin Oak to balance up tree



2. Reduce by 1.5m crown of cypress to shape and allow light to grass path



3. Reduce by 1.5m the crown of a very large deciduous Magnolia at the front of the house that is too close to – and obscuring - the house



4. Remove lowest limb of an Oak – one that is overhanging the public pavement, and one that is unbalancing the shape of the tree



5. Remove a Spruce that is stunted due to being sandwiched between a mature Walnut and Pedunculate Oak



6. Remove Spruce that is swamped by Ivy, and impacted by the mature Walnut adjacent



7. Remove a Holm Oak that is outcompeting the only Sweet Chestnut in the garden (there are two other mature Holm oaks already). In the photo it is hidden behind the Ash



8. Remove the lowest limb of a leaning Ash tree to give it better balance.



9. Bay tree: Remove to safeguard mature Bramley Apple tree it is shading out.

