

## Tree Survey: Bay Tree

**Tree Species:** Laurus nobilis (Bay Tree) – Category C: Tree of low quality and value

**Height:** Approx. 4 meters

**Canopy Spread:** Approx. 2.5 meters (calculated based on the typical spread-to-height ratio of mature bay trees in similar conditions)

**Condition:** Good – The tree is healthy with no visible structural or disease-related issues.

### Observations:

- The tree is overgrown and has outgrown its current space.
- Its size has the potential to exert pressure on the nearby retaining wall over time.
- The dense canopy obscures natural light from entering adjacent windows, impacting the interior ambiance of the property.

**TPO Status:** The tree is not protected by a Tree Preservation Order (TPO).

### Recommendation:

We propose removing the bay tree to mitigate potential structural risks to the retaining wall and to allow more natural light to pass through to the windows. In its place, we suggest planting a selection of tall shrubs or ornamental plants to maintain greenery in the area while complementing the newly designed bin storage. These plants will be selected for their suitability to the site, low maintenance, and aesthetic contribution to the overall design.



