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These trees make a significant contribution to the character of the street scene. The Grove has always been known for its leafy nature. Indeed, looking at the 1869 25 inch Ordnance Survey map, you can see that trees have always been planted along the full length, Unfortunately, a couple of street trees fell recently and that, coupled with the loss of vegetation at the front of numbers 12 and 13 The Grove and the recent thinning and felling at number 11, have left this end of The Grove sadly depleted of greenery.

The two limes are somewhat isolated but are the more significant for that. As such, and in light of the TPO, careful consideration should be given to their management. Removal of epicormics growth is good management and the limes will respond well to some crown reduction but we consider 2.5 metres would be excessive and raising the crown to 5 metres would detrimentally alter the form and shape of the tree. No justification has been given for this major lifting of the crown which we judge to be unnecessary.

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