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Ask me before Allotments meeting

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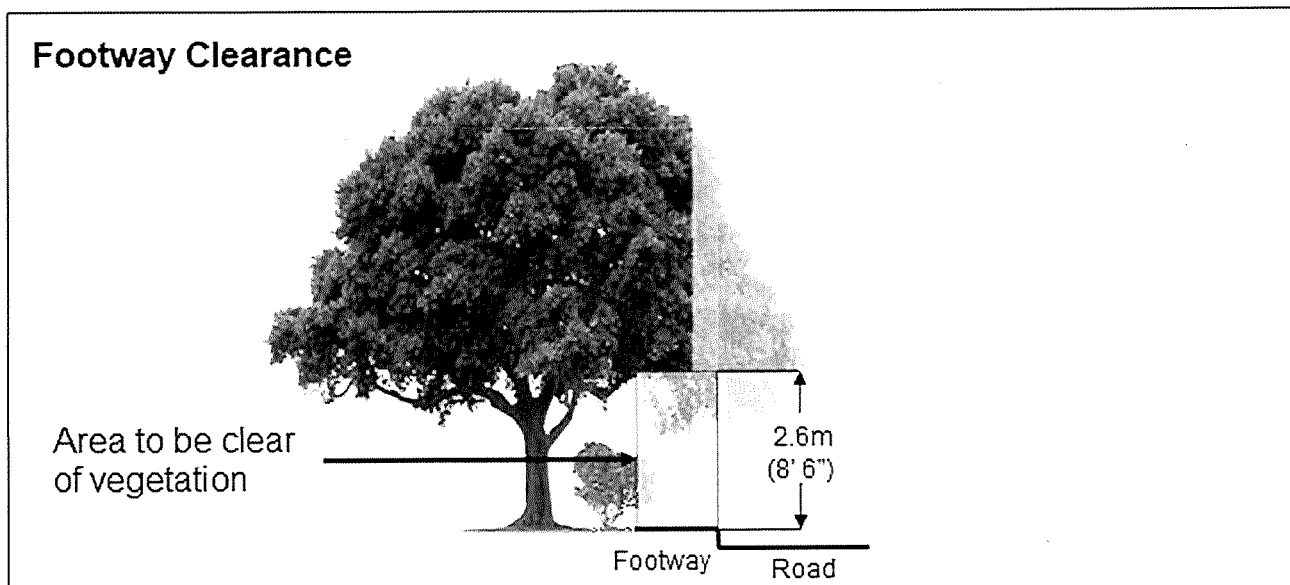
Dear Lowestoft Town Council

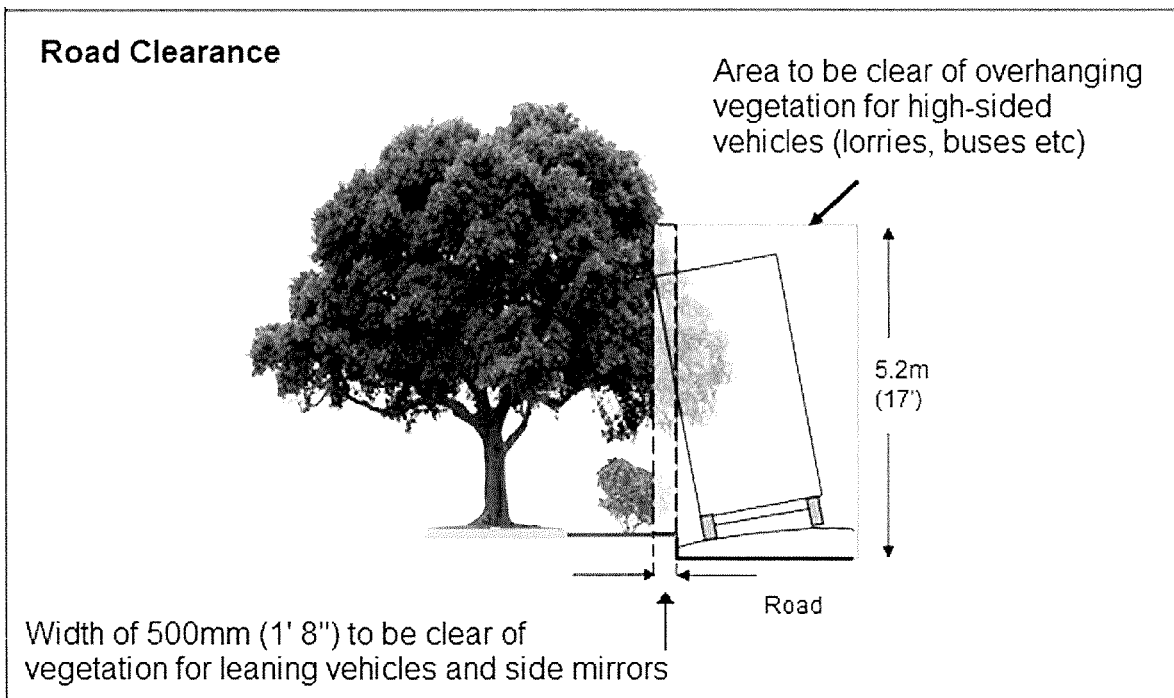
REMOVAL OF VEGETATION OVERHANGING THE HIGHWAY

During an inspection of the highway it was noted that the **hedge** which I believe forms part of your property is encroaching on the **service road** as shown on the attached plan, which is to the rear of the allotments. Please cut back the hedge/vegetation to the property boundary to restore the full width of this access road.

Within the next 21 days, I would be grateful if works can be carried out to remove the obstruction, danger or interference.

As a guide, there needs to be at least 2.6m (8'6") clearance above any pavement and verge and 5.2m (17') above the road. Below such heights the vegetation should ideally be cut back to your property boundary to allow for future growth or otherwise stated above. For more information see diagrams below.





It is recommended that if this trimming cannot be safely carried out from within your own property, the services of a professional tree surgeon are arranged. Please ensure that all cuttings are removed from the highway to avoid causing any further obstruction or nuisance. You are at liberty to carry out this work yourself provided you do so in a way so as minimise any obstruction or nuisance caused to others making use of the highway.

It is the responsibility of you or your appointed contractor, to comply fully with the requirements of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 and European Habitats Directive 2009/147/EC when undertaking works between 1st March to 31st August. This period is known as the 'bird nesting season'.

Some trees are protected by planning legislation, and you should contact your relevant district/borough council for further advice if you have any doubts.

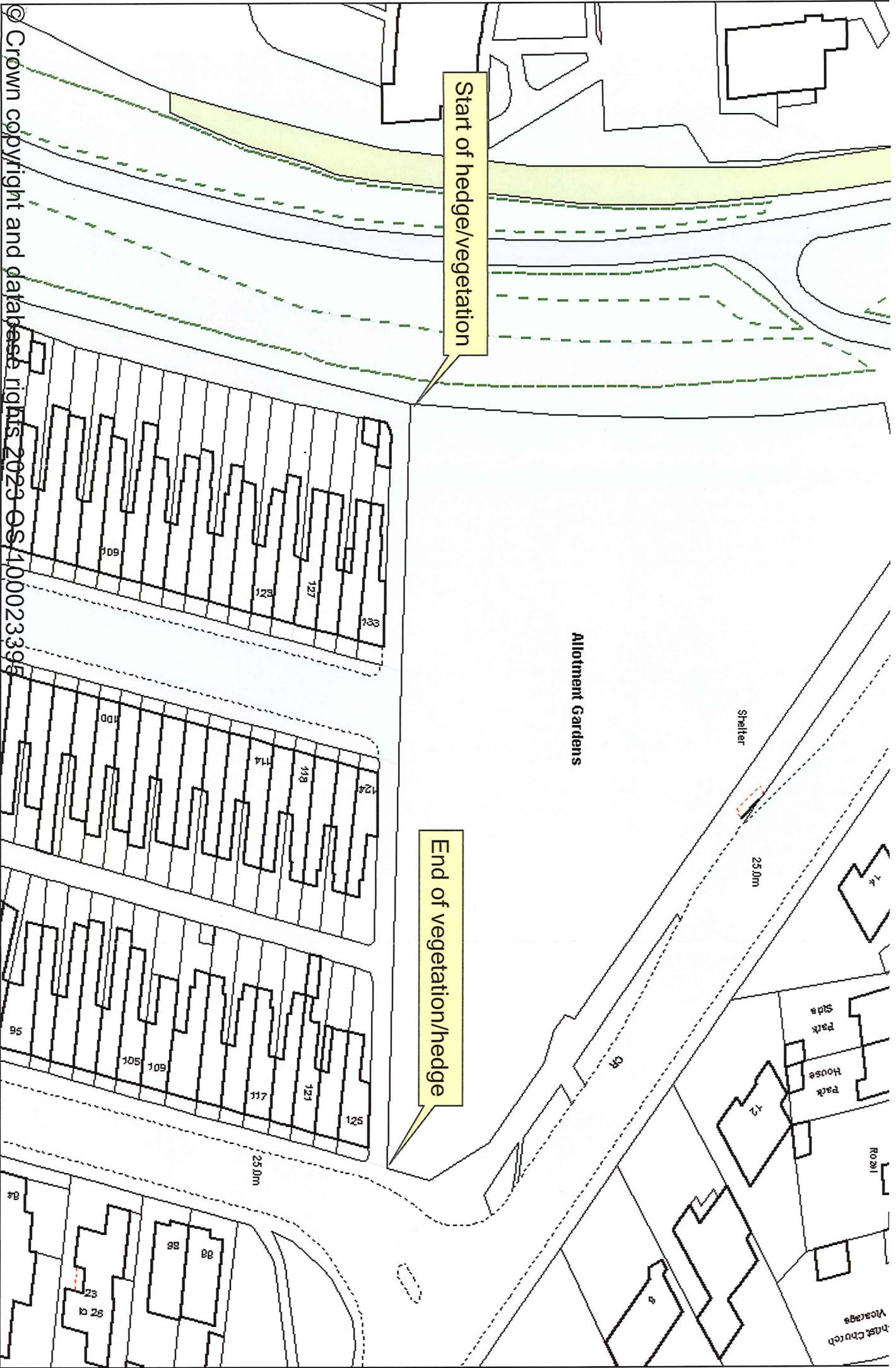
If you have any difficulties in complying with this requirement, please contact us on the telephone number given at the top of this letter to discuss the situation.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation on this matter, and I would be grateful if you could tell me when the work has been completed or if it has previously been undertaken prior to receiving this letter.

Yours faithfully

C. Leach

Craig Leach
Highway Enforcement Officer



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