

**Reason for Work Statement:**

As advised by the local TPO officer following a site visit requested by ourselves, due to the tree's close proximity to main dwellings and highways, routine structural safety inspections are vital. Unlike many species that only produce shoots when stressed or damaged, Lime trees are genetically predisposed to prolific epicormic and basal growth even when completely healthy.

Stripping the dense, heavy matting of epicormic and basal shoots is necessary to expose the root flare and main trunk stem. This allows for an unobstructed, clear visual assessment of the lower tree structure for any signs of decay, defects, or fungal pathogens.