

Case Study



Case Overview	
Litigation	✓
Acting for Claimant/ Defendant	✓
Recovery Action	✓
>£100,000 Claim	X
Court Representation	X
Part 36 Offer	✓

Neighbour Dispute

It is not uncommon for us to be instructed when communications between neighbours have irretrievably broken down. In this case damage was quite clearly being caused by a 14m tall Leyland Cypress only 1.4m from the main area of damage. The neighbour refused to accept the damage was attributable to their tree.

Patio Construction

There is no British Standard on the form of construction of a patio. However, there is a widely accepted process and in this case the poor original construction of the patio had contributed to the ease with which the root damage had occurred.

Root Pruning

Removal of the underlying surface roots was a possibility but following their exposure it was clear they provided structural support. We successfully negotiated a conclusion to the case by emphasising the significant growth potential and ongoing pruning costs to the tree owner if the tree remained.

The tree was removed and the patio repaired with the tree owners meeting that cost.