

## English Oak MRN 4462 - felled 27 March 2015

A large vertical crack down the centre of the trunk was reported on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2015 (when these photos were taken). It had clearly been there for some time and there were signs of fresh splitting. The crack reached to ground level. Thick ivy was preventing the full or partial collapse of the tree, but since the tree was by a public footpath and in imminent danger of falling, the decision was taken to fell it. The tree split further overnight on 26<sup>th</sup> March, with the fallen part in the field and the remaining section looking rather precarious. Hence it was felled as a matter of urgency on 27<sup>th</sup> March. As much of the stump as possible will be retained as a wildlife habitat.

