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Profile:

I am a Certified Surveyor of Japanese Knotweed and a qualified Building Surveyor. I have vast experience in dealing with this Invasive Non-Native Species. I attended the Property Care Association surveyor training course after many years of treating/surveying Japanese Knotweed. The Certified Surveyor of Japanese Knotweed training course is taught by leading industry experts. The rigorous examination process included written papers, oral questions with answers and a plant identification module. On passing the exams, I am now permitted to use the designation CSJK (Certified Surveyor of Japanese Knotweed) after my name. Since completing the course, I attend regular industry relevant continuing professional development webinars, complete further reading and attend the PCA's annual Invasive Weed Group Conference.

I am also a member of the Property Care Association, Invasive Weed Control Group, the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, the Chartered Association of Building Engineers and the Academy of Experts which keep members up to date with legislation and changes in my field of expertise.

During my career I have visited hundreds of sites infested with Japanese Knotweed, both on a large-scale commercial basis and smaller residential gardens. I often consult for professionals such as Solicitors, Surveyors, Ecologists, Conveyancers and Planning Consultants. My advice has been trusted by Local Authorities such as Trafford Council, Cheshire East Council, Tameside Council as well as many large blue-chip developers, pension funds and smaller SME's such as housing estate developers, property developers and environmental consultancy firms.

Whilst being committed to keeping up to date with the latest research into Japanese Knotweed, I am able to take a practical approach to my field of expertise by working in the industry daily. It is important to remember that Japanese Knotweed is a living organism, theory does not always account for the conditions that are present on individual sites. I pride myself on taking a site-specific approach and my knowledge of the invasive sector and built environment work hand in hand to provide rational reasoning whilst aiming to keep the language simple and easy to understand for everybody.

Experience:

2009-2017

Belair Grounds Maintenance- Landscape Maintenance Supervisor

Key Roles

- Maintaining large industrial scale developments to a high standard.
- Invasive Weed contracting.
- Managing teams of operatives to carry out specified duties.
- Liaising with property managers and clients to ensure a high standard was maintained.

2017-Present

Solutions 4 Japanese Knotweed-Director

Key Roles

- Surveying properties for Japanese Knotweed and preparing reports/proposals for remediation works on large scale projects such as housing developments, retail complex developments and redevelopment projects.
- Carrying out surveys for domestic clients and implementing management plans that are accepted by mortgage providers such as Nationwide Building Society, NatWest Bank, The Mortgage Works and many more.
- Speaking with clients and advising of growth patterns/legalities of Japanese Knotweed.
- Working as an independent Expert Witness.
- Providing consultancy services for industry professionals such as Quantity Surveyors, Planning Consultants, Structural Engineers, Town Planners from large blue-chip organisations, smaller SME's, and Local Authorities such as Wigan Council, Cheshire East Council and Trafford Council.
- Carrying out remediation works for both commercial and residential sites which range from smaller domestic properties to large commercial projects.

Key Achievements

- My Expert Witness reports being used in several winning cases regarding Japanese Knotweed disputes.
- Passing my CSJK (Certified Surveyor of Japanese Knotweed) examination.
- Assisting many clients in obtaining mortgages in a clear and concise way through our Japanese Knotweed Management Plans.
- Gaining admission into the prestigious Academy of Experts

Relevant Courses and Qualifications Include

- CSJK (Certified Surveyor of Japanese Knotweed)
- NPTC PA1
- NPTC PA6 & PA6AW (Around water)
- NPTC PA6INJ for Injection based treatment
- Various CPD webinars from the Property Care Association, Chartered Association of Building Engineers, Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and many more.
- On Site Containment and Cell Burial Strategies for Japanese Knotweed
- Level 6 Diploma in Building Surveying and Valuation
- Associate Member of the Academy of Experts