

From: Matt Harridge matt_harridge@talktalk.net
Subject: Re: Recreation Ground tree
Date: 9 September 2018 at 18:06
To: Morag Birch clerk@stedhamwithiping-pc.gov.uk



Hi Morag,

Yes, I have had a look. The red prunus to the left of the tree in question looks as if the drought has killed it off. All the leaves have dropped off ! Occasionally they can recover but would need to wait until next spring to see. The larger Prunus to the right has its root system joined to the Red Prunus, which may result in this one dying off as well. There are a couple of weak branches, but is difficult to know if the fallen branch was a result of a child swinging on it or a symptom of a problem with the tree itself.

It has grown with a leaning stem which may encourage kids to try to climb it. The branches are weak and will break easily if enough weight is applied.

I would suggest either reducing the green Prunus by 50% and see if it recovers, (all trees will be highly stressed following the drought and major reductions can kill them off) or removing both trees entirely.

If you could advise which way the council wish to proceed I will get an estimate sent out.

Many thanks

Matt

On 07/09/2018 13:01, Morag Birch wrote:

Hello again Matt,

Have you had chance to have a look at the tree? Could you let me know, thanks. Apologies if you're on holiday.

Regards,

Morag Birch
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On 26 Aug 2018, at 13:03, Morag Birch <clerk@stedhamwithiping-pc.gov.uk> wrote:

Hello Matt,

Please see note below - could you please have another look when you can. I think this probably becomes chargeable now - could you let me know. Thank you.

Regards,

Morag Birch
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Begin forwarded message:

From: Lucy Petrie <lucy.petrie@stedhamwithiping-pc.gov.uk>
Subject: Fwd: Recreation Ground tree
Date: 25 August 2018 at 21:35:10 BST
To: Clerk <clerk@stedhamwithiping-pc.gov.uk>
Cc: John Wheelhouse <elizcottagejohn@aol.com>

Hi Morag

See below. Could you kindly ask Matt Harridge to take another look

Thanks

Lucy

Begin forwarded message:

From: William Crawshaw <williamcrawshaw1@aol.com>
Date: 26 August 2018 at 00:02:11 GMT+10
To: lucy.petrie@stedhamwithiping-pc.gov.uk
Subject: Recreation Ground tree

Hi Lucy - just thought I should let you know that the first go at pruning the tree on the Rec seems to have been only partially successful as another fairly large branch has come down and there are a couple more that are broken/dead and require removal. Sorry to bother you with this but probably a good idea to get the tree man back.

Regards
Bill

Sent from my iPhone