



Bothenhampton & Walditch

Parish Council since 1886

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Via Email

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Dear Nick

## **TREE ISSUES WITHIN OUR AREA**

### **Walditch Village Green Horse Chestnut**

A resident of Walditch (Robin Stapleton) had raised a concern with regards the horse chestnut tree on the Walditch Village Green. Our councillors have been monitoring the tree during the winter months and said that the problem could be clearly seen now that the leaves have dropped. It is believed that it has bleeding canker, although we need an expert to confirm this.

### **Sycamore within Jellyfields Nature Reserve**

There is a large sycamore that has branches overhanging gardens in Howard Close. We believe some branches may have fallen during storms. We need your opinion on this tree and whether it needs to be cut back. Please note that the ownership of Jellyfields has not yet transferred to BTC and therefore we believe the costs should be met by DC, however we need your opinion on the Sycamore in any case.

### **Sycamore within the Valley View Amenity Area / Howard Close**

There is another large sycamore within this area where branches have dropped and have been removed by our grass cutting contractor, however there remains the risk of damage to adjacent properties. We need your opinion on this tree and whether it needs to be cut back.

### **Ash Trees along boundary of Pasture Way**

A resident has informed us that the ash trees along the boundary of this road are infected with dieback and are dangerous to the public. We need your opinion on these trees.

We would be very grateful if you could let me have a quote for the review of these three trees in due course.

Yours sincerely,

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