Agenda item 25

Proposal for Tree work on Ashtree Spinney,

This paper addresses the felling of two Ash trees which have previously been agreed by the Council. A moratorium on scheduled work and surveys is in place until the Council's Woodland Management policy is completed. This is scheduled for the October Full Council meeting. Part of this will recommend that when large trees are removed a planting scheme is put in place at the next planting season.

The proposed work needs to be done in September/ October as this is the best time for bats and other species to relocate following the work.

Proposal

To remove trees number 176 & 177

To ameliorate disruption to bat colonies and continued bird nesting to limit light pollution from Chatsworth Ave by asking VIA to put a deflector on the streetlight, reducing light onto the Spinney area.

To agree to ask contractor for a new quotation and to do the work as previously agreed.

If agreed the work is to be done in September or October 2023.

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