

## Agenda item 29 Purchase of Larger Chainsaw.

Further the inspection of Squires Pond Spinney there have been two trees spilt and fall onto adjoining trees.

These were inspected by the groundstaff, with the Chair of the Town Environment Committee and the Clerk present.

The ground staff also identified a dangerously leaning tree .

The leaning tree was cut down by the ground staff but the other two could be the worked on due to the size of equipment available.

Presently STC have to 14" chainsaws for small tree work. For work to be carried out on larger trees then a larger chainsaw is required .

The addition of a larger 20" blade saw would enable the ground staff the carry out more 'in house ' tree work, including the 2 trees in the Squires pond area. Over a short period of time this will be a cost saving efficiency for the Town Council .

This chainsaw would be used with Aspen Fuel.

The purchase of this chainsaw does not negate the need for contractors as STC insurance only covers chainsaw work from the ground.

### **Proposal**

The allocate £495 from the Squires Pond Reserve to fund the purchase of a 20" Chainsaw.

Proposed

Cllr L Harris

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