

Committee: Leisure and Amenities

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Report: Tree Work at Cambria Bridge Park

Explanation

14 beautiful London Plane trees exist here that are around 50 years old and are medium sized.

London Planes have the capacity to become very large trees.

The proposal is to pollard the trees down, thereby reducing the effects of shade, leaf fall and most importantly the effects of root damage to hard standings and potentially private dwellings. This work is always done in winter, for the health of the trees.

By reducing the canopy of trees you inhibit the growth of roots, thereby giving us the long term solution we need.

The trees will need re-pollarding every 5 years roughly and this will cost around £2,000 each time at current prices.



POLLARDING

South Swindon Parish Council



Proposal

To pollard the trees before the end of February 2020 so that it is complete during winter, for the sake of the trees health and to ensure good management of the park area.

This also ensures the park is clear and ready for the rebuilding of the play park, which is the next phase of redeveloping this park.

Quotes

Company 1	£2,800
Company 2	£4,800
Company 3	£2,755

Recommendation

Instruct company 3 to carry out the work at their earliest possible convenience.

They are a good, reputable company and will do the work safely and to a high standard.