

Proposal

To remove large Ash tree at end of garden of 44 Sturges road.

We own the property the tree stands on.

Dates

We do not currently have dates for this but would aim to proceed as soon as possible.

Reason

An Ash tree is not a suitable tree for a built-up area due to its potential growth size and spread. This tree has got very large and is already affecting a brick building in the garden of Sturges road. If it gets any larger it could affect the neighbouring properties in Moles close. In addition, increasing stress in future years due to drier Summers and stormy autumns could increase the risk the tree will either blow over or will shed debris that could cause damage to neighbouring properties given its location.

Plan and biodiversity consideration.

To remove this tree and plant a more suitable or several more suitable smaller native trees such as Rowan trees. We are already committed to planting one of these trees due to removal of another Ash but would commit to planting two more Rowan or smaller native trees in place of this Ash. In addition, the removal of the tree would open up space to dig a wildlife pond, which we will also commit to doing.

This would lead to an overall biodiversity net gain whilst reducing the current and potential issues this tree is causing.

Timeline

We do not have a timeline given there is no permission but if we received permission we would aim to instruct a tree surgeon to remove the tree in the early autumn before the spring nesting season and we would then aim to plant the Rowan trees and dig the wildlife pond next autumn.