



HUTTON POPLARS WOODLAND WALK TREE MAINTENANCE RESIDENT UPDATE

Dear Resident,

Firstly, thank you to all those of you who were able to attend the meeting. We wanted to update everyone with a summary of what was discussed at the meeting, the contact details for Alan and what will happen in the woodlands shortly.

Subject to weather the forestry work will start in the next few weeks and continue for about several months, concluding around the end of March. This leaflet contains some of the information discussed and we will be following up with Alan on your tree specific queries over the next couple of weeks.



The Tree Briefing with Mr Marsh held outside Hutton Poplars Hall

Regards,
Cllr Keith Barber & Cllr Sandy Tanner

SCOPE OF TREE WORK

The scope of the work includes the following :

Ash - Removal of the majority of the remaining Ash Trees. The stumps will remain in situ and will either regrow as coppice (small trees) or decay naturally into the soil. New replacement trees will be planted and will be made up of a variety of native species (e.g. oak, hornbeam, wild service and field maple). The replanting will take place in the planting season (Nov 23- Mar 24).

Hornbeam - In addition to the above work will be undertaken to re-coppice the Hornbeam.

Both of these tasks will in the very short term significantly reduce tree cover in the woodland walk however natural regeneration of the ground flora will occur from this summer onwards. Coppice regrowth combined with natural regeneration / planting will ensure woodland cover will return over time.

These works – bringing the woodland into management which overseen by Forestry Commission and Natural England affords greater protection to the ecological status of the area ensuring greater protection over the longer term.

Working Issues

Alan is to obtain a number of signs which will be displayed around the Hutton Poplars area which will complement the signage from the forestry contractors. The contractors are responsible for the signage in the immediate area of works being under taken. Physical barriers will be erected and we would ask everyone to adhere fully to their requests and encourage and friends / visitors to do do likewise so that the work can proceed efficiently and safety. During the progression of the works Alan Marsh will be visiting and is your escalation point in the first instance. 01277 312650 alan.marsh@brentwood.gov.uk

Tree Specific Queries

A number of you raised queries about specific trees near to your properties and Mr Marsh will be walking the woodland walk over the next 1-2 weeks and we will contact you using the details provided. Alan will inspect the trees within the context of the the Council's Adopted Tree Policy which you can find on the council website.

A gentleman from Woodland Avenue also requested details of the Map of Forestry work that was approved. If anyone would like a copy please email keith.barber@brentwood.gov.uk and we will either email or print a copy of this for you.

Kind regards,

Keith and Sandy

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