

Independent Tree Panel for Sheffield

Simon Green
Executive Director of Place
Sheffield City Council

By email

22 July 2016

Dear Simon

Bowood Road

The Independent Tree Panel has reviewed the City Council's plans for five trees on Bowood Road. We have taken into the account the technical information provided by the Council and the concerns raised by residents in their response to the household survey. We inspected the trees on 24 June 2016. We have referred to the engineering solutions, as presented to the Highway Tree Advisory Forum on 2 September [2015] which are referred to in section 3.2 of the Streets Ahead Five Year Management Strategy 2012 – 2017 dated January 2016.

Household survey

There are 55 households on the street. 13 responded to the household survey, of which 12 objected to the proposed removal and replacement of the trees.

Tree already removed

The tree outside number 28, which we understand was a stump only, has already been removed.

Tree which is dead

The tree outside number 45 is dead. We advise that this tree should be removed and replaced.

Trees which are diseased or damaged

The tree outside numbers 8 (which was not referred to us) and 53 are in terminal decline. We advise that these trees should be removed and replaced.

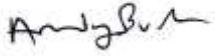
Tree which is healthy

The one other tree, outside number 16, appears to be in good condition; we could see no sign of decay. We advise that there is no arboricultural need to remove this trees.

We have therefore considered whether there are engineering solutions that would prevent the need for removal and replacement of this tree. The tree is causing some damage to the

pavement. We believe this could be resolved with engineering solutions, including 1, 3 and 12,
We advise that the Council could consider this.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andy Buck". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Andy Buck
Chair

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Andrew Walshaw
Independent Tree Panel members