# Independent Tree Panel for Sheffield

Simon Green
Executive Director of Place
Sheffield City Council

By email

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Dear Simon

## Wayland Road

The Independent Tree Panel has reviewed the City Council's plans for eight trees on Wayland 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.

### Trees which are diseased or damaged

The trees outside numbers 54, 63, 65, 75, 98 and 106 are significantly diseased or damaged, and in generally poor condition with limited life expectancy. We <u>advise</u> that it would be prudent to remove and replace these trees.

The tree outside number 54 (further away) is damaged and has some decay, with compromised life expectancy. We <u>advise</u> that it would be reasonable to remove and replace this tree.
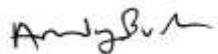
### Trees which are healthy

The tree outside number 100 is in reasonable condition. We <u>advise</u> that there is no arboricultural need to remove this tree.

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 significant disruption to the pavement. Whilst engineering solutions could be considered, we <u>advise</u> that it would be reasonable to remove and replace this tree.

We also <u>advise</u> that the Council may wish to give further consideration to the location of the replacement trees, with a view to them being more evenly spaced along this street.

Yours sincerely

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Chair

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