

# Independent Tree Panel for Sheffield

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Simon Green  
Executive Director of Place  
Sheffield City Council

By email

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Dear Simon

## **Northfield Avenue**

The Independent Tree Panel has reviewed the City Council's plans for two trees on Northfield Avenue. 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 1 July 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 12 households on the street. Seven responded to the household survey, of which seven objected to the proposed removal and replacement of the trees.

## **Trees which are diseased or damaged**

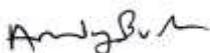
The tree outside number 41 has reduced vitality, impact wounds and infection. The tree is also causing damage to the pavement. We advise that this tree should be removed and replaced.

## **Trees which are healthy**

The tree outside number 9 is in good condition We advise 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 some damage to the pavement. We consider that engineering solutions 7 and 10 could enable this tree to be retained. We advise the Council to consider this.

Yours sincerely



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Chair

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