

Independent Tree Panel for Sheffield

Simon Green
Executive Director of Place
Sheffield City Council

By email

16 May 2016

Dear Simon

Blackamoor Road

The Independent Tree Panel has reviewed the Council's plan for one tree on Blackamoor 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 tree on 5 February 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.

Location of tree

The trees you propose to remove is one of two outside number 52. There is a Council notice on the right hand tree (facing the house). We believe this to have been placed on the wrong tree, and so inspected the left hand tree.

Household survey

There are 33 households on Blackamoor Road. Six responded to the survey, of which four objected to the proposed removal and replacement of the tree.

Tree which is healthy

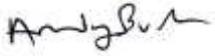
The tree is a cherry, in good condition, with 10 to 20 years life expectancy. We advise that there is no arboricultural need to remove this tree.

We therefore considered the engineering options for this tree.

The tree is causing some disruption to the pavement and to the boundary wall of number 52. We advise that owing to the damage to the boundary wall the Council would be justified in removing and replacing this tree.

I have enclosed a tabulated summary of our conclusions.

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

Copy:
Dave Caulfield
Andrew Walshaw
Independent Tree Panel members

Fell Ref	Tree Position	Road	Existing Tree	Already removed	Dead, diseased, damaged - remove	Damaging - remove	Damaging - alternative solution	No identifiable issue
12019747	O/S 52	BLACKA MOOR ROAD	Prunus Kanzan			YES		