

ABOUT

This board provides information on works on trees in this area that will be undertaken in February 2023

DE-VEGETATION WORKS

Devegation works will be undertaken during the bridge replacement scheme. Upon completion of the new structure, the site will be replanted with suitable meadow species to enhance the biodiversity of the area.

PERMANENT WORK BOUNDARY

Trees in this location require felling to allow for the construction of the replacement footbridge. The footprint of the works has been kept to an absolute minimum in order to reduce the number of trees required to be felled.

THE HAIRY TREE (Tree 105)

The “Hairy Tree” at Stanhope Road Bridge is a category B oak tree that is currently covered in a non-native invasive Russian Vine that is impacting on the health of the tree. This tree unfortunately needs to be removed to facilitate the deconstruction of the existing bridge and to re-level the Parkland Walk with the surrounding land (re-leveling is required to increase the headroom of the new structure). Given that the tree could be lost anyway, this was identified as the best location for the Equality Act compliant ramp, thereby ensuring further trees are not lost elsewhere

NEW ACCESSIBLE RAMPS

Both steps and ramps are required to ensure the Council meets its Equality Duty under the Equality Act as well as meets planning regulations. Under the Design Manual for Roads and Bridges, steps are required where a ramp does not present the most direct route.

ECOLOGY

Alongside a new bridge the bio-diversity of the area around Stanhope Road Bridge is being improved through the introduction of additional habitats and an improved planting mix. The planning conditions require 10 street trees to be planted in the vicinity of the bridge - these locations are yet to be identified

The site is suitable for nesting birds and therefore the works need to be carried out in February to avoid bird nesting season which starts in March

- Footway
- Carriageway
- Soft Landscape
- Extent of construction works
- Tree to be felled
- Tree to be retained

EXTRACT FROM TREE SCHEDULE

No	Type	Action	Reason
105	Oak	Fell	Crown in poor condition due to Russian Vine. Within footprint required for new bridge
19	Sycamore	Fell	Within footprint required for construction of new bridge
110	Ash	Fell	Within footprint required for construction of new bridge
110A	Lime	Fell	Within footprint required for construction of new bridge
111	Ash	Fell	Within footprint required for construction of new bridge
112	Ash	Fell	Within footprint required for construction of new bridge
113	Sycamore	Fell	Within footprint required for construction of new bridge
177	Oak	Fell	Within footprint required for construction of new bridge
G173	Group	Felled	
G175	Group	Felled	

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