



Notice of Motion - Number NM67

Councillor initiating: Cllr Taylor

Committee: Full Council

Date of meeting: 26 May 2026

Our current Tree Policy was brought to the Environment & Climate Committee on 29 September 2025 for update and amendment. Amendments were proposed that would have allowed some flexibility in the policy to allow the pruning of problem trees not currently permitted by the policy. Despite the intent to update the policy having merit none of the proposed detailed amendments were agreed by the committee. The committee did not have the opportunity to further discuss the issue and Standing Order 7a has prevented this issue being raised again for 6 months. It is proposed to set up a small cross-party working group under the supervision of the new Head of Environment to propose amendments to the Tree Policy which will allow greater flexibility in the pruning of problem trees.

Resolution:

This Council instructs officers to set up a cross-party working group of councillors to work with the new Head of Environment and to propose updates to the current Tree Policy which will give officers greater latitude in dealing with specific problems. The working group will provide an initial report to the Environment Committee by 28 September 2026.

Councillor Signed:

Date: