

AREA PANEL 4 18 JANUARY 2006

Report of the Director of Commercial Services

COSMETIC WORK TO TREES

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

The Council Cabinet has decided to allocate £1000 to each of the Area Panels in order to commission tree works in cases where the Arboricultural Officers had not, due to budgetary constraints, been prepared to commission work requested by a resident. This work is restricted to trees on Council owned land and all work requested would have to comply with the conditions stated in the Tree Management Policy. This is a pilot scheme to be reviewed after one year.

REQUESTS TO CONSIDER

Six trees outside 409 to 417 Stenson Road, Blagreaves

Pruning the six Horse Chestnut, Lime and Maple trees that are restricting light will comprise crown lifting and crown cleaning and one requires crown thinning to lighten the crown density. The cost of the work would be £810.

The trees have been heavily pruned in the past, which has resulted in dense regrowth. To achieve any short term benefit all six trees would need pruning again.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

If the Area Panel commissions the work, there will be £190 available for other requests.