

NETHER WALLOP PARISH COUNCIL

To decide on action to take regarding the tree surveys quotations.

At the June meeting, it was resolved that Test Valley Borough Council would be asked if they could comment on the condition of the Willows on the Village Green. The following response had been received from TVBC:

"Thank you for your email seeking clarification with regard to tree inspections.

You are correct in your thought that TVBC are not in a position to be able to offer a tree inspection service to parish councils in the way that we once did.

There are a number of local tree specialists of whom you are no doubt aware who would be able to undertake the work you require.

Alternatively you could contact the Arboricultural Association who are the lead body for the arboricultural industry. On their web site www.trees.org.uk the AA maintain a directory of Registered Consultants and a list of Approved Contractors (tree surgeons) any of who will be able to provide the service required. To be listed they will have been assessed for knowledge, professional competency and to confirm they carry appropriate insurance.

Kind regards"

A further resolution from the meeting was that the Clerk would seek an estimate for a survey from a local Arboriculturist if TVBC were unable to help. Estimates have been received for the following tasks at each location.

- A. Surveying Trees and reporting their condition.
- B. Plotting trees on a map.
- C. Recommending any maintenance that should be carried out incl. urgency.

To Survey:	Cost:	
1. The two large willows on the Village Green.	£ 350	IF both surveys are requested the total will be £1,000
2. All trees at the Nether Wallop Playing fields.	£ 800	

COUNCILLORS TO DECIDE ON FURTHER ACTION TO TAKE.