

Report to Royton District Executive

Petition regarding trees at Glenn View and All Saints Close, Royton.

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Reason for Decision

To update the District executive regarding progress following the receipt of a complaint about trees at Glenn View and All Saints Close.

1 **Background**

1.1 The council received the attached petition on 27th May 2016.

The petition was submitted as a letter of complaint and outlined the problems residents at Glenn View and All Saints Close have encountered due to trees on land close to their properties. The letter was signed by eighteen residents.

1.2 The land identified is owned by FCHO and they have a contract with Oldham Council for maintenance and management.

2 **Current Position**

2.1 The Council Constitution requires that the District executive meet with 21 days of receiving a petition and make its recommendation. In line with this requirement, the District Executive petition meeting took place on Tuesday 31st May. It was agreed that as Oldham Council are contracted by FCHO to maintain the trees on this piece of land, Nik Anderson, Senior Arboriculture and Countryside Officer would contact the lead petitioner and arrange to meet the residents on site, along with the relevant FCHO officer.

Following this meeting, it was recommended that Nik Anderson would draw up a specification of works, to be agreed with FCHO. This will then be shared back with residents.

2.2 A letter was sent to the lead petitioner on 1st June 2016 explaining that the District Executive had met and outlining what the recommendations were. This was followed by a letter from Nik Anderson and Ric Dawson (FCHO) on 17th June, asking the lead petitioner to make contact, so a meeting could be arranged on site.

3 **Update**

3.1 Ric Dawson, FCHO spoke with the lead petitioner on Monday 4th July to discuss possible meeting dates.

3.2 Once the meeting has been held with the residents, Nik Anderson will submit a proposed schedule of work to FCHO.