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Date 19.05.2016
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Dear Councillor

Re: Large and overhanging trees impacting upon residents of Glen View and All Saints Close in Royton North

I am writing on behalf of the residents of both Glen View and All Saints Close regarding the continuing year round problems in relation to the large trees adjacent too and to the rear of our properties.

Over the past few years residents of both streets have complained on numerous occasions to the council about the size, and impact that these trees have on our daily lives throughout the year. These are now approximately 60 foot in height.

The trees have been minimally trimmed in the past; however this has made no noticeable difference to the array of problems they cause. As a group of residents we would like to see this problem resolved and significant action to be taken by the council.

See below for photo illustration of the problem outlined.



The key problems that the trees are causing are as follows:

- Extremely limited sunlight during the months of the year (some houses remain completely in shade). This causes low mood and upset to residents who are not able to use and enjoy their gardens.
- Lawns and plants are ruined due to the continual shade, not only does this look unattractive but forces residents to spend additional money each year in the attempt to maintain our gardens.
- Excessive amounts of leaf fall each year that result in pathways and steps becoming very slippery. This creates a hazard for all residents, in particular to elderly residents or those with mobility issues.
- Excessive leaves continually block garden drains and guttering, leaving resident with no choice but to pay for these to be regularly cleared.
- Residents identify that the trees impact on the quality of the TV signal they receive, with a number of residents having to fit new aerials on their properties.
- Residents identify that their home insurance premium continues to rise as a result of the increasing size of the trees.

We understand that the trees cannot be completely removed, but as a group of residents we would request that the trees are significantly trimmed down to ensure we can continue to enjoy our homes as would be expected.

The group request a response in writing to the address at the top of this letter. This response will be circulated to all residents who share these concerns.

Yours Sincerely

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Our Ref : Glen View Trees
Your Ref :
Ask for : Ric Dawson
Date : 13/06/16
Direct Line : 0161 393 5442
Fax :
E-mail : ric.dawson@fcho.co.uk

Dear [REDACTED]

I write to in response to your letter regarding the trees around Glen View and All Saints Close. I would like to arrange a meeting with myself, Nik Anderson (the arboricultural officer from Oldham Council) and yourself to look at the issues you are having with the trees.

I have tried contacting you by telephone a number of times but had no answer, could you please contact me on 0161 393 5442 as soon as possible so we can arrange a date to meet and come to a decision on the work that is needed.

I look forward to hearing from you,

Yours sincerely,

Ric Dawson
Environmental Officer