Urban Green Newcastle Ouseburn Parks Visitor Centre, Red Walk, Jesmond Dene, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE7 7BQ URBAN GREEN NEWCASTLE

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Dear Residents.

We are writing to let you know about some work that will be carried out to the trees on the boundary of Littlemoor Allotments, adjacent to the properties on Moorfield Road on the 9^{th} / 10^{th} March.

Unfortunately, following a technical assessment, the trees require urgent works as a matter of health and safety. Four Salix trees (Willows) have structural faults, due to them being too top heavy and overgrown, with a number of these trees suffering snapped limbs in the canopy, and limbs that are under a lot of tension.

The extent of the problems requires that two of these need to be pollarded, and two more, which are both weighted over the pathway, have significant rot in their basal cavities and are largely unbalanced and at risk of collapsing and causing injury. A small number of Prunus trees at the main gates to the site are also overhanging the highway and will need to be raised and the canopy's reduced.

It is always disappointing when trees need to be removed, and it is our policy not to remove, or even prune trees if there is not an ecological or health and safety need to do so.

I have attached a small plan below showing Salix circled blue and Prunus circled red which require works.

Thank you for your patience and consideration. If you have any questions in advance of these works, or have any concerns while works are underway, please contact Mark Todd, Allotment Officer, on 0191 814 4584.

Yours sincerely, Urban Green Newcastle 0191 814 4574

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