



InfoSheet 12



NPEL

Park Maintenance & Trees

The Problem

We have a wide variety of trees on The Park, some of them being the best specimens within the area. They do require constant maintenance, but they are one of the factors which make The Park Estate such a unique place to live and for some of us to work. There are over 650 street trees in The Park Estate. They are all covered by a blanket Tree Preservation Order (TPO) which means if work is carried out on them it must be under an agreement with the City Council.

The Solution

If you feel there is an issue with a street tree, such as a dead or damaged branch, growth getting too near to streetlights or other structures, please inform the NPEL office.

Clearing away leaves from roads and footway is an important task during the autumn and it is estimated that 200 tonnes of leaves are collected up each year by The Park maintenance team. Sweeping or blowing leaves from trees in private gardens onto streets is not permitted as this increases the costs of their collection for everyone else. Please compost your leaves or use the regular garden waste bin collections, or you can take vegetation to the City Council waste and recycling site at Lenton Lane.

The Process

Street trees

The Park team are constantly reviewing The Park trees and a Chartered Arboriculturist surveys the trees on a regular basis to give advice on their health, and to highlight any work required. Tree Surgeons carry out general maintenance works, to maintain the health of the trees and to try and keep branches around 1.5 meters clear of buildings. Every 5 years NPEL applies to the City Council for consent to allow them to carry out such work on all of the street trees in a manner which complies with the requirements of the Tree Preservation Order, a process which saves the need to make numerous individual applications.

General Park maintenance

The NPEL also maintain the green spaces and shrub beds across The Park, including the steps on Park Valley, carry out regular spraying of roads and pavements to suppress weed growth and collect up leaves from the street trees every autumn. The full extent of this work can be seen on the NPEL website. www.nottinghaparkestate.co.uk