GRANTS FOR WORKS TO TREES IN CONSERVATION AREAS OR PROTECTED BY TREE PRESERVATION ORDER

The council has a small budget to assist with the costs of carrying out necessary works to protected trees.

**Conditions**

• The grant assistance should be requested by letter at the same time as application is made for permission to carry out the works.

• A minimum of two estimates for the proposed tree works must be provided.

• Subject to the availability of funds, grants will be paid where works are carried out in order to maintain the health and prolong the life of the trees.

• The works must be carried out to the appropriate British Standard for tree work (BS3998: 2010).

• Grants are not available for the felling of trees or removal of deadwood.

• Grants are discretionary; in principle work to trees affected by development will not be eligible for grant aid.

• In order to be eligible for grant aid the work must carried out within 1 year of the date of the application.

• The grant payable will not exceed 50% of the cost of the approved works up to a maximum of £75 per tree and £500 per application.

**Procedure**

1. Request for grant assistance and copies of the estimates for the works to be submitted with the application.

2. Any allocation will be notified when the application has been assessed.

3. On completion of the works the owner sends a copy of the receipted invoice to:

South Gloucestershire Council  
Environment & Community Services (Tree Team)  
PO Box 1954  
Bristol  
BS37 0DD

The Tree Officer will then inspect the trees/s and arrange for the grant to be paid if the works are satisfactory.

Should you wish to discuss any matters concerning the allocation of grants please email Trees@southglos.gov.uk or call 01454 868000.