

# MEETING REPORT

**Meeting:** Assets Committee, 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024  
**Agenda item:** AS24/018  
**Report subject:** Recommended Tree Works for Ivybridge Town Council's Parks and Open Spaces  
**Report author:** Julie Gilbert, Assistant Town Clerk

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## PROPOSAL:

To consider the quotations to provide tree management works in accordance with the proposals, as recommended in the Quantified Tree Risk Assessment

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## Background

Following the committee's decision at the last meeting on 02.09.24 AS24-008, to approve urgent tree works and bring back quotations for the remainder of the works recommended in the Quantified Tree Risk Assessment (QTRA) conducted in June, three Arb Approved contractors were invited to provide quotations for the works. It was requested that quotations are broken down for budgeting purposes, prioritising the works in accordance with the risks and recommended timescales.

It is advised that the tree works as recommended in the QTRA are approved in accordance with the Council's health and safety policy.

The recent storms have affected the quotations slightly as some trees listed in the quotations have failed and required clearance by a tree contractor.

The landowners of off-site trees which could pose a risk on Town Council land have been provided with a copy of the relevant QTRA highlighting trees on their land and including the risk threshold chart.

## Resources/implications

### Financial

Quotations received from

**Contractor A** (who also carried out the QTRA)

Quotation: 14526 Various sites – 6 months timescale £18,766 plus VAT

Quotation: 14458 Various sites – 1 year recommended works and management £14,806 plus VAT

Quotation: 14559 Victoria Park – Soil treatments £5,119.90

All arisings removed from site and returned to premises for recycling

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Quotation 770: Filham Park  
6 months timescale £4,150 plus VAT      1 year timescale £1,100 plus VAT

Quotation 765: Holman Way  
6 months timescale £550 plus VAT

Quotation 773: Land along the Western Side of the River Erme  
Urgent timescale £1,1250 plus VAT

Quotation 772: Land along the Western Side of the River Erme  
6 months timescale £1,900 plus VAT

Quotation 771: Longtimber Wood  
6 months timescale £6,650 plus VAT

Quotation 766: MacAndrews Field  
6 months timescale £4,950 plus VAT      1 year timescale £150 plus VAT

Quotation 767: Orchid Avenue  
6 months timescale £480 plus VAT

Quotation 764: South Western Edge of Wadland Wood  
6 months timescale £600 plus VAT

Quotation 768: St Peters Way  
6 months timescale £300 plus VAT

Quotation 769: Victoria Park  
6 months timescale £4,450 plus VAT      1 year timescale £900 plus VAT

Urgent quotation £1,250 plus VAT  
6 months quotation £24,030 plus VAT  
1 year quotation £2,150 plus VAT

No soil management works included  
Arisings mostly removed except in case of woods where left on woodland floor

## Contractor C

The contractor has been unable to provide quotations within the specified timescale and decided to withdraw.

Funds for this work to come from EMRs Tree Surgery and Parks, Woods & Open Spaces.

## Staffing

Staff will liaise with the tree arborists and consultants. The QTRA data will be updated by recording tree management works as they are undertaken.