

WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 S96A

**FELLING OF 2 NO. TREES AT ST JOHN'S,
COVENTRY ROAD COTON END JUNCTION, WARWICK**

Warwickshire County Council hereby gives notice of its decision to fell 2 no. existing trees as part of a scheme to improve the St John's junction, Warwick. Further details are described in the Schedule below.

A copy of this notice, the full decision and a plan showing the location of the trees to be felled can be inspected at Warwickshire Direct in Shire Hall, Market Place, Warwick during opening hours. and on the website at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/major-transport-construction-projects/warwick-town-centre---better-place/4 or use the contact details below to request copies.

Any complaints regarding the decision to fell the trees may be addressed to Dee Mitchell, Communities Directorate, Shire Hall Post Room, Rear of Shire Hall, Northgate Street, Warwick, CV34 4RL, or sent by email to warwicktc@warwickshire.gov.uk using the subject heading "St Johns".

SCHEDULE

2 no. street trees located between D4129 St Johns (service road) and A429 St Johns are to be removed to accommodate a shared footway / cycleway facility through the area and to help minimise conflict between cyclists and pedestrians moving through the area via the adjacent crossings. The removal of the 2 no. street trees and associated root retention systems above ground will also provide an opportunity for enhancement of the footway area to help deliver an overall improvement in the quality and appearance of the street.

ALTERNATIVES TO FELLING

Alternatives to tree felling were considered, such as altering the proposed alignment of the cycleway, but to ensure there is sufficient space for both pedestrians & cyclists to pass through the area safely & comfortably and with good visibility to meet design and safety standards the removal of the 2 trees is necessary.

REPLANTING

To offset the removal of the existing street trees in St Johns, 4 no. replacement trees are proposed to be provided in the immediate vicinity. The location, number, size and species of the proposed replacement trees is shown on drawing 9.2-A429--068-038

CONSULTATION RESPONSES & DECISION MAKING REASONS

25 responses were received stating the trees should not be removed. An arboricultural report was produced in August 2022 by the WCC Forestry team which concluded the two trees proposed to be removed are of 'low quality'. There is an electric cable in each tree, and both have been grown in concrete containers which provides for a limited lifespan and limited future potential. The proposals include for the planting of four new trees which will be of a suitable maturity and species for the area.

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Director of Strategy, Planning & Governance

Shire Hall, Warwick
1 September 2025