

19. QUEEN ELIZABETH II DRIVE TREES

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The purpose of this report is to advise the Board on proposed consultation with residents adjacent to a section of Queen Elizabeth II Drive.

Over the past four to five years, a number of complaints have been received regarding the shadow cast onto properties by the large Chinese poplars on the south side of Queen Elizabeth II Drive between Burwood Road and the Shirley Golf Course.

Some of these poplars have been removed in the past and a tree, which had been ring-barked, had to be removed.

After another recent complaint, Parks and City Streets representatives met and it was agreed that a questionnaire be distributed to the residents and various proposals offered, so that the concerns of the residents could be identified and their wishes conveyed to the Council through recognised channels.

The proposals will include removal or retention of the trees and will offer various treatments to the wide grass strip, such as planting in shrubs and groundcover as has been successfully undertaken outside the Fairway subdivision on the corner of Marshland Road and Queen Elizabeth II Drive.

These proposals are due for distribution late January or February. The results will be reported to the Board and, if necessary, the City Services Committee once replies have been received.

Recommendation: For information.

Chairperson's Recommendation: That the information be received.