

Hi Baseema,

Here is my submission on behalf of CHLB.

Thank you for allowing me to submit my submission re The New Tree Policy for the City.

We all take great pride in our Wonderful Green City and its beautiful Parks and Green spaces.

I read with great interest your Terms of Reference for the Task and Finish Group, particular interest

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Health and Well being and the importance of the trees.

Valuing our tree stock and how we manage the Birmingham Forest over the long term.

Where responsibility lies for monitoring trees in various locations and sites around the city, conservation areas and street trees.

What the Council can and cannot do about issues with neighbouring trees

Where residents can find clear advice, guidance and signposting in relation to issues with trees.

Planning new development, mature trees etc the future we are clearly interested in air pollution is of the greatest importance to us and the next generation.

CHLB Street Scene Task and Finish Group already cover many of these aspects when reporting HLB monthly walkabouts in our areas. It would be more effective to have a direct line of reporting and some involvement. We record all our findings onto our websites and so have yearly records.

I have discussed this submission with Carl Hide our Lead Officer from BCC who is attending your meeting today and he is in full agreement and can answer any questions etc.

Joan Goodwin

Chair CHLB