



TREE OF HEAVEN, VENTNOR PARK

ENVIRONMENT AND
TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

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4 NOVEMBER 2024

1) BACKGROUND

a) At the Town Council Meeting of 13 June 2022, it was resolved to:

- i) confirm the decision of its meeting of 11 April to ban the use of Glyphosate the areas within the Town Council's Grounds Maintenance Contract excluding the Cascade;
- ii) agree the estimated costs of changing to a safe alternative as identified in paragraph 2c of Report 49/22 for this meeting;
- iii) further discuss the arrangements for Ventnor Park with the Grounds Maintenance Contractor.

2) PROPOSAL

A Tree of Heaven has been identified in the Ventnor Park Woodland and has already started to sucker. The advice of the Tree Officer at the Isle of Wight Council is that it needs to be killed with Glyphosate before it becomes a problem. The Tree Officer has advised that there is no alternative substance that can be used to treat the tree.

3) RECOMMENDATIONS

Members are recommended to:

Consider the proposal from the Isle of Wight Council's Tree Officer to treat the Tree of Heaven in Ventnor Park Woodland with Glyphosate bearing in mind the Town Council's decision of 13th June 2022 with regard to Glyphosate use.