AGENDA ITEM NO. 8A

Bishopston, Cotham and Redland Neighbourhood Partnership

June 18th 2012

Title: Community Tree Planting Programme

Officer Presenting Report: Richard Fletcher, Neighbourhood Engagement Manager

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The Partnership is asked to either:

- 1. Approve a tree planting plan for **St Andrews Park** or
- 2. Propose alternatives that officers can consider against the relevant criteria.

The Partnership is further asked to:

- 3. Advise of those that would like to be involved in drawing up the tree planting scheme.
- 4. Confirm whether TreeBristol can deliver a Community Tree Planting Event on the nominated site between November 2012 and March 2013.
- 5. Offer suggestions for locations for additional tree planting in the Neighbourhood Partnership area.

What is TreeBristol?

TreeBristol is the city council's tree planting campaign. We planted over 1,000 specimen trees across the city last year and aim to plant a similar number this year. We have a budget but welcome contributions from local community groups and businesses, which would allow us to plant even more trees.

We are contacting each Neighbourhood Partnership to ask for:

- 1. Approval to develop a tree planting plan for one park in each area
- 2. Approval to organise one community tree planting event in each area
- 3. Suggestions for tree planting throughout each area

Tree Planting Plans 2012-2013

We select sites for tree planting schemes using the following criteria:

- scope for extensive tree planting of 10+ trees
- community interest
- a need to manage the removal and replacement of trees

and we ensure any new tree planting suits the historical or landscape context of the park.

We are proposing a single site this year to give us sufficient time to produce the planting plans and organise the community tree planting events.

For your Neighbourhood Partnership area we would like to propose **St Andrews Park**.

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Planting trees in our city

We suggest this site because there is a need for a coherent tree replacement programme that suits the character of the site. This is an opportunity to introduce extensive tree planting around the perimeter and along pathways with new tree species for greater seasonal interest.

Please note: In future years we will continue to select sites for new tree planting in your area. We also welcome suggestions from you for sites that meet the above criteria for us to develop.

Community Tree Planting Event

St Andrews Park is suitable for a community tree planting event. TreeBristol can organise this on your behalf, inviting members of the community, schools and corporate volunteers to come and plant the trees. TreeBristol events are great fun, very rewarding and everyone is welcome.

Additional Tree Planting this Winter 2012-2013

Besides the site selected for a tree planting plan and event we welcome applications for additional smaller scale tree planting projects. Applications will be assessed year round on a project by project basis. To be eligible for planting this winter (November 2012 to March 2013), applications must be submitted to TreeBristol by the end of September 2012.

To request a TreeBristol Community Tree Planting application form or if you have any questions contact:

- Your Area Environment Officer Greg Eynon at Greg. Eynon@bristol.gov.uk or 0117 922 1947;
- Josie Sadler, TreeBristol Officer at josie.sadler@bristol.gov.uk or 0117 3525638, or visit www.treebristol.com

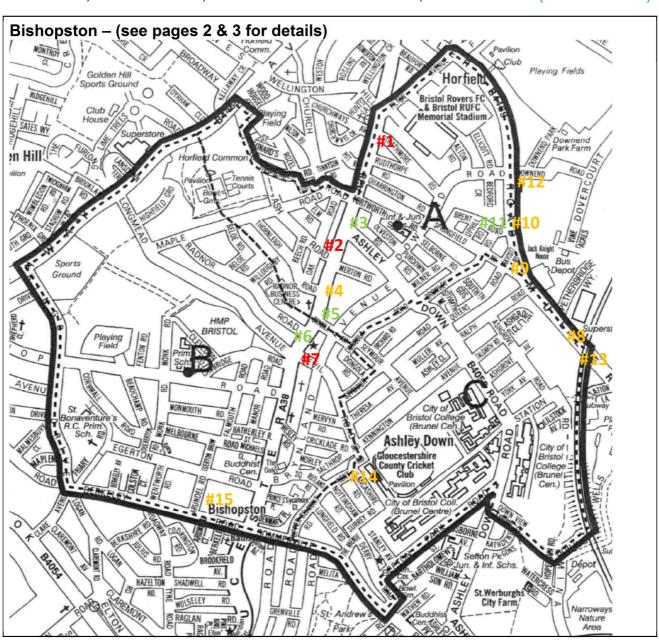


In 2011 the BCR NP Tree Team identified 30 possible street tree sites following their survey of the 49 miles of BCR streets. We thought possibly upto 75 new trees might be planted. The Council are now doing services searches on the remaining sites that are still in this process (green and amber) and we await costs. Once the results are back, then BCR Tree Team will consult residents in the summer, get some "private money" and put in an application in Sept to NP for a grant to add to the private money (currently there is approx. £8k set aside incl. S106 + Well Being + RCAS). At this stage the NP needs to discuss the private financing policy – see text box – and comment on sites. (Note: 6 have been planted due to GBBN & Colston's Girls' School). Please also see the "big picture" at the bottom of page 2.

Financial Policy – BCR Street Trees - for discussion at the NP: New street trees in quiet residential areas should be funded by private money as much as possible, whereas new trees on main trunk roads offering major public amenity are mainly / totally publicly funded?

Key (traffic light colours)

RED = NO, GREEN = YES, AMBER = MAYBE ONE DAY, BLUE = DONE (GBBN & COL.)



Bishopston – Gloucester Road – was 7 sites/14 trees (now 5 large & 1 medium trees)

#1 Gloucs Rd / Filton Ave Junction



#2 Gloucs Rd o/s The Church

#3 Gloucs Rd / Church Rd buildout



#4 Gloucs Rd (Merton to Dongola)



#5 Gloucs Rd (at Dongola, either side of Lloyds



#6 Gloucs Rd Sainsburys (Longmead Rd)



#7 Gloucs Rd / Neville Rd (Sth)



OTHER PLANTING – BCR wide

- Developers e.g. Cricket Club, Memorial Ground, Bannatynes...
- Residents
- Schools...

THE BIG PICTURE..BCR wide...

This proposal is now 12 large trees, 1 medium and say 10 small (Kings Drive). Our (very) long term target is to plant 445 large or proportionately more for medium and small to increase the tree canopy cover of BCR NP total by 1% (just with street trees). Note that ADRd has 17 new ones, WLRD about the same (all large) and Gloucs Rd has 2. Additionally Manor Rd has been re-treed I hear. The council also have fully surveyed Redland Rd and Gloucs Rd and will have some further proposals to put to us.

Bishopston – Muller Rd – 4 Sites, 20 trees (now just 2 large trees)

#8 Muller Rd (Grass Bank o/s B&Q) #9 Muller Rd / Draycott Rd triangle





#10 Muller Road o/s Brunel Ford

#11 Muller Road opposite Brunel Ford





And 2 new sites on Ashley Down Road (was 6 trees) NOW none (all amber)

#12 (Visionary plan) with Downend Rd #13 ADRd and Dirac Rd

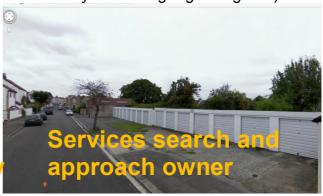


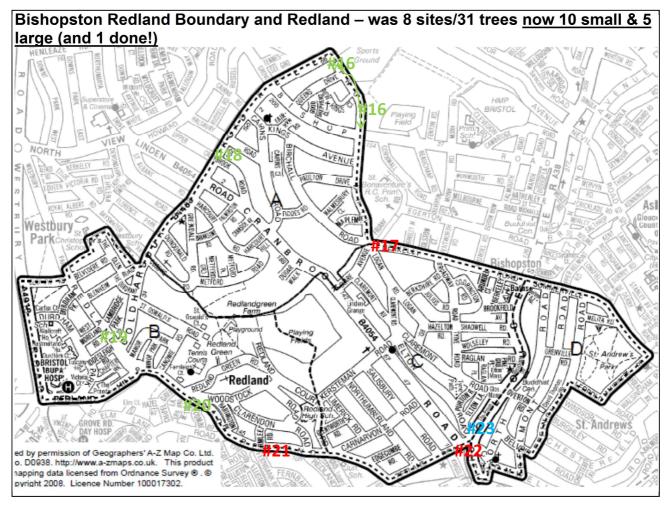


And more trees in Bishopston? #14 Nevil Rd/Kent Rd

#15 (opp14 Arundel Rd, replace a rather sad Cherry with 1 larger growing tree)







Redland/Bishopston Boundary

#16 Kings Drive – plenty of opportunity for low planting along verges – maybe 20+ trees



17Berkeley Rd



Redland

#18 Coldharbour Rd (opp 158) 2 or 3 trees



#19 Coldharbour /Redland Rd (Elworthy's)



#20 Redland Rd o/s Stones Court - 3 trees





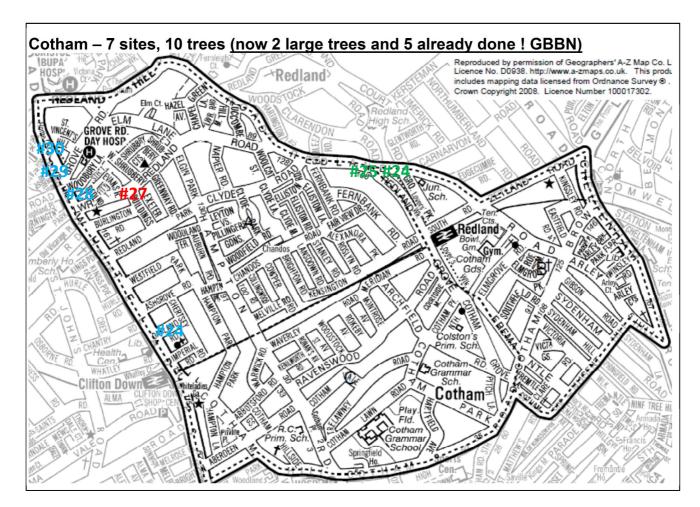


#22 Gloucs Rd (Zetland Rd) - 1 tree

#23 Gloucs Rd (near advertising hoarding)







#24 Redland Rd / Grove (Traffic Island)





#26 Whiteladies Rd (o/s Tyndale Church) # 27 Burlington Rd / Exeter Buildings – 1 tree





#28 Whiteladies Rd (o/s Tesco) - 1 tree



29 Whiteladies Rd / Grove Rd - 1 tree



30 Whiteladies Rd (Central reservation opp. Grove Rd) – 2 or 3 trees

