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Briefing Note

Tree Works Resulting from Sonic Tomography Survey

Introduction

In 2023 a Tree Risk assessment was carried out in Hurst Meadows and the Ancient Woodland by Nicholas Jones Consultants Ltd. As a result of this survey, five of the trees surveyed required a further Sonic Tomography Survey to determine the health of the tree and if the tree required any works. The results of this survey, carried out in May 2023 stated that four of the five trees required works within one year of the survey.

The works include the reduction of two trees in Ladies Walk by 50% (ref.379, ref.381), the reduction of one tree in Wilderness Wood by approx.10m (ref. 360) and one tree located in Tilley's copse, which requires dead wood removal (ref. 351).

Quotes

Two quotes have been received from Tree Surgeons, as set out below: -

James Wilson Tree Care

Ref. 351 – Dead wood removal - £ 550 ex. VAT
Ref. 360 – Reduction to 10m - £850 ex. VAT
Ref. 379 + Ref. 381 – 50% Reduction - £4,850 ex. VAT

Total Cost **£6,250 ex. VAT.**

J Lee Trees

Ref. 351 – Dead wood removal – Free, due to working on this tree previously.
Ref. 360 - Reduction to 10m - £750 ex. VAT
Ref 379 - 50% Reduction - £1,750 ex. VAT
Ref 381 - 50% Reduction - £1,250 ex. VAT

Total Cost **£3,750 ex. VAT.**

Funding

It is proposed to book these works in to be completed in or shortly after 1 April 2024, using allocated funding from the Hurst Meadows Earmarked Reserve (350) Budget Code 5550-210), in the new financial year.

Recommendation

The recommendation is to appoint J Lee Trees to carry out the works to all four trees at a total cost of £3,750 ex. VAT. The works will be programmed for April 2024, using funding from the 2024/2025 financial year.

RECOMMENDATION: The Committee is asked to AGREE to proceed with appointing J Lee Trees to carry out the tree works on all four trees at a total cost of £3,750 ex. VAT.