



Bristol Tree Forum: Planning Applications: 6 part 2. Report A Problem with a Tree

The Council has a page with that name on its website:

It is more to do with being a Tree Champion in its general sense than being vital for Planning issues, but there are references to it in the “Tree Management Policy” pages, and links to it, so it warrants discussion here.

You can find it here:

<https://www.bristol.gov.uk/museums-parks-sports-culture/what-to-do-if-you-have-a-problem-with-a-tree>

According to Tree Officers at the Council using this reporting page is the ONLY way that a resident can communicate with the Tree Dept. at the Council about tree related issues. The Bristol Tree Forum, having half accepted that rule, did manage to get additional pages onto the reporting system - such as “Dead tree”, which amazingly was not there.

Using the system there are links to the Tree Management Policy pages, so you can read before you report. This limits your expectations (save that there is now an apparent issue around “Who Pays?” that we are hoping to get sorted).

When using the pages, you are presented with a drop-down menu of things that can bother residents about trees. Work your way through if you have an issue, or you can advise a resident similarly. If you cannot find a suitable issue that fits your needs in the drop-down menu, then contact your Councillor, or the Bristol Tree Forum.

Photographs can be uploaded as part of your report and can be of great assistance for Tree Officers - so upload some if you can. You also need to give them an accurate location please.

Every Council owned tree in Bristol is mapped. The next Module describes to you how to find and use the mapping.