**Environmental Information Regulations Request**

Reference: ECC19036212 09 25
Response: 30 September 2025

I can confirm that Essex County Council does hold some of this information, and where we are able to release this, our response is listed below.

1. Tree maintenance and inspection records for the beech tree located behind the property of [address supplied] since 2015.

Attached is the tree report for the area. Any works listed are currently with a contractor.

You will see that some information has been removed this is due to the exemption below:

I can confirm that Essex County Council does hold this information, but it is exempt from disclosure.

The exemption applicable to the information is Section 40(2) **Personal Information**. Personal data of third parties is exempt if disclosure would breach the principles of the Data Protection Act 2018. We believe that providing you with the information would breach the following Data Protection principles:

* Data shall be fairly, lawfully, and transparently processed

We are applying this exemption because

1. we do not have the consent of the person who is the subject of the information to disclose it to you,
2. we have not identified a legitimate interest for ECC to disclose this information under the Act,
3. disclosure does not meet any of the UK GDPR Article 6 or 9 conditions that would make it “necessary”.

Disclosure under the Act is a disclosure to the world at large and is free from any duty of confidence. We believe that the release of the requested information would cause unwarranted interference to the rights and freedoms and legitimate interests of the data subject(s). Such a disclosure would in our view constitute a breach of Article 8 in the Human Rights Act (the right to privacy and family life).

This is our refusal notice in respect of your request.

1. Confirmation of any other complaints or claims regarding the beech tree located at the rear of [address supplied] since 2015.

We have not received any insurance claims for Parrington Way from 2015 to date.

1. Any technical or engineer evidence, reports or opinions obtained in respect of item 2 above.

Not applicable.

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