**NAWTON PARISH COUNCIL**

TREE SAFETY POLICY FEBRUARY 2021

Statement

The Council takes tree safety seriously and will implement a strategy of inspection and remedial action that is in line with current legislation and guidelines.

1. References:

National Tree Safety Group booklet The Common Sense Management of Trees, published 2011 Forest Research

1. Health and Safety Executive: Management of the risk from falling trees or branches, Published Online resource.

* The Council is responsible for the trees in

Howl Woods, The Tip, Marrs Pond

* The Council will adopt a zoning policy – High Risk, Medium Risk and Low Risk

See attached pdf

* The inspection of the tree stock will follow these procedures
* High risk – formal inspection yearly, detailed inspection every 3 years
* Medium risk – Formal yearly
* Low risk – informal inspection yearly

All formal inspections will be carried out by a Level3 tree inspector or equivalent experienced Arboricultural Contractor with public liability.

* Following inspections The Council will take the following action
  + - * + Extremely hazardous trees to be made safe as soon as practically possible.
        + Hazardous trees to be made safe within 1 month.
        + Precautionary work to be completed in 1 year.
* All tree inspections and remedial work will be recorded.

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