

## **Questions to Council Request Form**

Please complete all boxes	
Name of Councillor asking Question	Julie Morris
Proposed Title of Question	Tree Planting
Question	Attached
Set out question in full	
Relevant Committee(s) Question might relate to	Environment and Safe Communities Committee

Whilst many members are aware of the problems of securing permission from Surrey County Council for planting trees in highway verges, the Tree Advisory Board (TAB), our own voluntary group in Epsom & Ewell, has put several projects to EEBC over the past two years and has been unable to secure permission to proceed. TAB are willing to record all planting data in order that EEBC can update its records annually. Please could the Chairman explain why and hopefully provide a way forward.

## **Background Information:**

- 1. Auriol Park and Hook Road Arena. 2 mini-orchards are proposed comprising 12 and 18 old native stock fruit trees, apple and pear. Project plan, funding and aftercare all provided by TAB. Final approval still awaited.
- 2. Bourne Hall

PROBUS wish to plant a single tree to commemorate their 25 year anniversary. Funded by PROBUS. Planting plan, location and species put forward. No cost to EEBC. Refused permission.

3. Alexandra Recreation Ground An ambitious planting scheme (refused permission) could be scaled down and resited if agreement can be given in principle.

4. Court Recreation Ground

A project on behalf of Friends of Court Rec to replace Prunus and restock on Oak (8 trees in total). Refused permission.