

## **Duty to Consult on Felling Street Trees**

This is a notification that this tree is proposed to be removed. From the date of this notice there is a 28-day period in which you can provide comments on the proposed tree removal. This notice meets the duty to consult requirements set out in section 115 of the Environment Act 2021.

Notice Date: 12 December 2025

**Reference:** PMC010 – Walpole Gardens, Structural Footway

Maintenance Scheme

Parish/Ward: Town Close, Norwich

**Location:** Walpole Gardens, Norwich, Norfolk, NR2 1RU

**Position:** Outside number 27, What3Words: oasis.landed.arrow

Outside number 23, What3Words: lace.assets.vows Outside number 21, What3Words: comet.erase.across Outside number 1, What3Words: toger.tanks.jump

**Species:** 4x Liquidambar Styraciflua (Sweet gum)

Reason for removal:

Root heave from mature highway trees has caused the footway surface to become cracked and uneven, creating safety risks for those walking, wheeling, or cycling. Following assessment by Norfolk County Council's Highway Tree Officer, four trees along the southern side of Walpole Gardens have been identified for

removal.

Solutions Considered:

This is not just a felling programme. The four trees on the northern side will be retained, with the existing hard surfacing carefully removed and replaced with grass to create a softer environment. Suitable replacement species will be planted to ensure the location retains its character and continues to flourish

in the years to come.

**Replacement:** 2x Paulownia tomentosa (Foxglove Tree)

2x Amelanchier lamarckii (Juneberry)
2x Cercis canadensis (Eastern Redbud)

To be planted at suitable locations along Walpole Gardens.

To provide comments on this proposal please visit our consultation website Citizen Space at https://norfolk.citizenspace.com/environment-transport-and-development/walpole-gardens-tree-felling

For further information about Council tree management please visit our website at https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/trees.

Facilities are also available to view this notice online at libraries.

Alternatively, comments may be posted to Stuart Blake, Norfolk County Council Highways, Martineau Lane, Norwich, Norfolk, NR1 2UD.

Any comments should be made by 8 January 2026