

**Request:**

1. How many roadside ash trees are there within your council boundary? If a total number is not known, have any surveys of numbers of roadside ash been carried out within your boundary and if so, what were the results? (For clarity, by "roadside ash" I am referring to ash trees (any *Fraxinus* species) that are close enough to a road that they could potentially fall onto or drop debris onto the road.)

The total is not known, the Council are working towards a detailed borough wide tree survey.

2. How many urban ash trees are there within your boundary, and what is the breakdown of these between public and private property? If this is not known, how many trees of any species are there within your boundary?

We manage circa 140,000 trees within the borough of these 40,000 are street trees.

3. If known, what is the total area of parks, gardens, greens and common land within your boundary?

A figure for the precise breakdown provided is not available, however an indicative figure is the area we grass cut which is 13.48 sqkm.

4. What was the total amount of money spent by your council on insuring trees in the last financial year (2016-17)? And what was the total amount spent on public liability insurance overall?

The Council do not insure Trees on a stand-alone policy, the Council has blanket Public Liability cover. The annual Public Liability premium cost for 16-17 was £281,679.32 + 10% Insurance Premium Tax.