

Strong Laura

From: Mike Ferguson
Sent: 29 July 2019 09:59
To: Strong Laura
Cc:
Subject: TPO created on tree in Rothley Church churchyard (Your Ref PT/34 - TPO 2019)
Importance: High

Dear Ms Strong

I am one of two churchwardens for Rothley Parish Church.

Towards the end of June this year I was informed by the owner of 9 Church Street, Rothley (Dr D Spencer) that there was a planned visit to the Rothley Parish Church to examine a tree overhanging the adjacent property. I telephoned Charnwood Borough Council (Mr James Lee) on 26th June and 1st July asking him to speak to him so that I could be present when he undertook the examination. On both occasions he was not available, and messages were left asking him to contact me. Emails were also sent to him. Despite this, no response happened. I object to the fact that no discussion occurred prior to the visit and that a preservation order has been placed on a tree within the churchyard without any involvement of the church.

The tree in relation to this TPO implies that the church is restricted in ensuring the safety of this tree. The trees within the church property are inspected regularly, but if this tree causes damage the liability now resides with the Borough Council.

Churchwarden
Mike Ferguson

