



MEMORANDUM

TO: HOWELL DAVIES
COMPANY: RACE, ACC
FROM: STACY COLYER
DATE: 11 MARCH 2005
SUBJECT: CHURCHILL PARK
ARBORICULTURAL REVIEW OF TREECARE SERVICES LIMITED REPORT

Dear Howell,

In respect to the requested independent review of the Treecare Services Limited arboricultural report relating to the Pine belt growing within the western aspect of Churchill Park, Glendowie, the following comments are applicable.

A review of the Treecare Services Limited report by Gerard Collet has been undertaken. The Treecare Services Limited report provides details and a number of recommendations in relation to the belt of mature Pine trees growing within the western aspect of Churchill Park, south of Evesham Avenue, to a wire fence cutting through stand near to the rear yards of No.56/58 Robley Crescent, Glendowie. There is also reference in the report to a number of Pine trees that are growing within the western aspect of the park, to the south of the aforementioned wire fence.

A site visit has been undertaken to assess the trees in question. The site visit involved a visual inspection of the trees in question, including portions of a number of failed specimens that are on the ground.

Given the number of trees, the terrain and the concerning condition of the Pine belt, I am of the opinion that Mr Collet has been very thorough in his assessment of the Pine trees in question. I am also of the opinion that the range of recommendations detailed in Mr Collet's report is indicative of the complexity of the issue, i.e. detection of the condition of the trees, tree removal management/options, visual amenity issues, etc.

It is clear to me that, given the present condition of a number of the Pine trees in question, uncontrollable and relatively undetectable tree failure will continue to occur. This in turn means that controlled tree removal is an unavoidable requirement when considering effective tree management and health and safety issues.

I recommend that you seriously consider the recommendations contained in Mr Collet's report and act accordingly. Given the condition of the trees in question and the fact that their current health and safety status has been identified, prudent and timely action is recommended to be undertaken.

Please call me on (09) 623-3514 if further comment is required.

Kind regards

Stacy Colyer
Greenscene Limited