

IMPORTANT NOTICE



**WOKINGHAM
BOROUGH COUNCIL**

NOTIFICATION OF ARBORICULTURAL SAFETY WORKS: FELLING OF AN OAK TREE ON COUNCIL LAND IN MERCURY AVENUE, WOOSEHILL, WOKINGHAM

Following an inspection by the Council's Tree and Landscape Officer and an investigation by an Arboricultural Consultant using decay detection equipment, this tree has been assessed to be exhibiting signs of internal decay caused by the decay fungi *Laetiporus sulphureus*, also known as 'Chicken of the Woods'.

This fungus causes brown cubical rot and embrittlement which in later stages can lead to the collapse of the host tree as it can no longer flex and bend in the wind.

In view of this and given it's location in a public place, the tree cannot be safely retained by pruning and therefore must be removed on the grounds of health and safety.

The Council's tree contractor Calibra Tree Surgeons, will undertake the safety work on **TUESDAY 10th FEBRUARY 2015**

To minimise any disruption, the work will be completed as quickly as possible with chainsaws not being used during unsocial hours.

If you have any questions, please contact the Council's Tree Team on:
(0118) 974 6464 / 974 6503

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION