Highways Ash Dieback Survey Flowchart

Survey Phase: Mid-June to mid-September

Who: Arboricultural Officers/Level 1 Inspectors/Year in Industry Students/Volunteers

Where: Roads, Public Rights of Way, Trails, trees within falling distance of a road

Dieback %
0%, 0-25%, 25-50%

Survey results passed to Arb team
No need for specialist Arb inspection
Trees that appear to have resistance:
Photograph send details to Arb team
Re-inspect in line with tree policy

Work Required?

No

Yes
Report sent to Highways

Dieback %
50-75%

Survey results passed to Arb team for specialist inspection
Photograph (if appropriate)
Arb team to mark trees - only if required
TPO/CA checks (process TBC with district tree officers)

Highways to action:
Identify landowner/leaseholder via a land registry search (check with highways boundary team if required)
Send Chalara advisory letter to landowner/leaseholder who appears on land registry search result (including indicative map locating trees), cc Highways
Note spreadsheet (N drive) with landowner/leaseholder details/date letter sent and keep updated

Re-survey the following summer unless the landowner/leaseholder makes contact with survey results/inform us of work carried out
Repeat process for 50-75% dieback

Dieback %
75-100%, 100% or tree requires surgery

Survey results passed to Arb team for specialist inspection
If emergency tree work required, carry out in line with Tree Policy and forward details to Arb team
Mark trees with tree tag or spray paint if required
Photograph (if appropriate)
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