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| Date received: | 15 th May 2025 |
| Date responded: | 11 th June 2025 |
| Subject: | Trees at Ballanard Green, Barule Road and Manor Road |

Question:

"looking for information regarding Ballanard green, Barule road and Manor Road Correspondence, surveys, meetings held and ecological issues. I am concerned for the trees in this area and would like to obtain any information on file for this.

I was looking for information regarding the trees in the above areas and what assessments and meetings were carried out between DCC and DEFA that they have been deemed dangerous and were to be removed."

Response:

In January 2025, Storm Eowyn struck the island and caused the loss of numerous trees, including two pine trees at Baldwin Road (Ballanard Green). The trees uprooted and fell onto semi-detached bungalows resulting in significant damage to the roofs and complete collapse of the conservatory.

Following a site review conducted by the Department of Environment, Food and Agriculture (DEFA) and the Council's in-house Parks Services arborist team it was concluded that the loss of these trees has left the remaining pine trees vulnerable to future storm damage due to the thinning group. DEFA advised that given the height of the remaining trees and their proximity to residential properties, they should be removed. The Council has subsequently applied for a tree felling license and intends to replace the trees with 39 native trees that are safer, more ecologically robust and better prepared for future environmental changes.

Meetings with the Department of Environment, Food and Agriculture took place on the following dates;

- **4th February 2025** – Initial post-storm site inspection and risk review;
- **11th February 2025** – Follow-up meeting at Ballaughton Nursery to discuss removal proposal and outline replanting strategy;
- **25th April 2025** – Tree felling licence submitted TF-1244;
- **6th May 2025** – Joint site visit and discussion on licence application alignment. Site layout plan showing planting locations of each new tree provided to DEFA.

There are no assessments or correspondence regarding trees at Barrule or Manor Road.