From:
To: Abi Williams

**Subject:** RE: 5 Day Notice - Removal of Dead Birch Tree at The Vicarage, Melbourn

**Date:** 23 October 2025 08:39:02

## Morning

Thaks for the emails.

Yeah, nearly 3 weeks down the tree remains in the garden, and I have a broken fence, broken garden furniture and smashed flowerbed. SCDC have thankfully taken the lead now in getting the tree removed but as you will have seen there are delays to that too.

I will contact ELS and help them understand the urgency to getting the tree removed. As this is in the Vicarage, there is no requirement to contact the Diocese.

Could I ask that this situation is brought to the attention of the parish council please at the next meeting. I have been met with 'not our responsibility' from all three councils, and I think that this is probably because no one 'owns' the foot or so of land between the footpath and the fence, which is just simply odd. SCDC resurfaced the path and the parish council cut back the vegetation each year, but who owns it.

Can the council perhaps in response to this incident.....

- Look to adopt this section of footpath and the borders of it.
- Identify who owns the trees on public land and maintain a register.

**Thanks** 

**From:** Abi Williams <parishclerk@melbournparishcouncil.gov.uk>

Sent: 22 October 2025 15:31

To:

Subject: RE: 5 Day Notice - Removal of Dead Birch Tree at The Vicarage, Melbourn

My apologies but this is the first time I have seen a 5 day notice for a tree – the tree is on private property and not the responsibility or under the ownership of the Parish Council.

I would imagine you need to contact Greater Cambridgeshire Planning tree officers and the owner of the land. Try <a href="mailto:planning.trees@scambs.gov.uk">planning.trees@scambs.gov.uk</a>

I believe you have email details and I have bcc'd him into this reply.

You can contact the relevant people at Planning through planning@greatercambridgeplanning.org

I believe as this tree is within a conservation area and part of the Church (?) you may need to contact the Diocese of Ely as stated here: <u>Tree preservation orders and trees in conservation areas</u>

I hope this has answered your query – if you need any further help please contact me and I will reach out for further information.

Kind regards

## Abi Williams | Parish Clerk

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From:

**Sent:** 22 October 2025 14:56

To: Abi Williams parishclerk@melbournparishcouncil.gov.uk>

Subject: 5 Day Notice - Removal of Dead Birch Tree at The Vicarage, Melbourn

Dear Abi,

Would you please be able to help or guide me in the right direction for who to contact regarding a 5 day notice to carry out tree work to a dead tree please? Our 5 day notice below:

Please accept this email as a 5 Day Notice for a dead Birch tree we located at:



SG8 6DY

The proposed works are as follows:

• Fell and clear

Photo attached for reference.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information.

Thank you in advance.

Best wishes,

