

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

OFFICER DECISION RECORD

The following decision was taken on 13 January 2023 by the Director of Streetscene and Regulation.

Date notified to all members: 31 January 2023

1. **TITLE**

Street Tree Service Outcomes Amends

2. **DECISION TAKEN**

That the Director of Streetscene and Regulations approves the proposals to vary the Highways Maintenance Contract as set out in this report to:

- remove the requirement for a five-year tree management strategy and replace this with a requirement to co-operate with the Street Tree Partnership.
- add a new requirement to provide health and safety training and equipment for the Street Tree Wardens.
- remove the quantities of 200 trees per year and 17,500 trees by the end of the term from Performance Requirement 6.38 of Schedule 2 Part 6 (Service Standard 6).
- align the selection of replacement street trees to species as detailed in the Sheffield Street Tree Strategy.
- make any necessary consequential amendments to give effect to the changes above.

3. **Reasons For Decision**

To ensure the contract reflects the strategic approach for the Council with the Sheffield Street Tree Partnership.

4. **Alternatives Considered And Rejected**

The option to 'do nothing' is not considered to be a viable option. The Council is a committed partner of the Sheffield Street Tree Partnership. As the Amey contract is the delivery route for street tree maintenance, it is necessary to amend the contract to clarify the new requirements to Amey arising from the Sheffield Street Tree Partnership Strategy.

5. **Documents used in making decision:**

Approval of the Sheffield Street Tree Strategy as a supplement to the Sheffield Trees & Woodlands Strategy 2018-33 (Report to Cabinet 17th March 2021).

6. **Any dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service**

None

7. **Respective Director Responsible for Implementation**

Richard Eyre, Director of Streetscene and Regulation

