

# TOWNSHIP PROJECT BRIEF AND COMMISSIONING FORM



Township Ref	Service Ref
--------------	-------------

<b>Township</b>	Rochdale	Township Ref	TC/34/19	Service Ref	
<b>Name of Request Originator</b>	Richard Whittle				
<b>Project Manager &amp; Ext</b>	Richard Whittle 07976 059 545				
<b>Completed by</b>	Richard Whittle	<b>Date Completed</b>			
<b>A. DETAILS OF SCHEME</b>					
<b>Scheme Name &amp; Location</b>	Veteran Tree Interpretation & Fencing Healey Dell Nature Reserve, Dell Road, Shawclough				
<b>Scheme Description (include as much information as possible)</b>	<p>This scheme is to provide a fence around the area where a veteran cherry tree is growing, both in order to help protect the tree and also to prevent the public from walking under the tree, which is currently supported on one limb and slowly lowering itself to the ground.</p> <p>The scheme will also provide 2 interpretation panels, explaining why the tree is a veteran. (example attached)</p>				
<b>Desired Outcome (what is required by the scheme)</b>	<p>A veteran tree can be defined as: 'a tree that is of interest biologically, culturally or aesthetically because of its age, size or condition'. Veteran Trees: A guide to good management. (Natural England)</p> <p>The Veteran Cherry at Broadley (Healey Dell Nature Reserve) is over 100 years old and fits the criteria of a Veteran Tree in terms of its biological interest, age and aesthetical appeal.</p> <p>Providing a fence will help protect both the tree and visitors to the site, whilst the interpretation will help visitors to understand what a veteran tree is. It is hoped that, if successful, this scheme will be 'rolled-out' to include other veteran trees around the Borough, which in turn will encourage visitors to explore the Borough's wider countryside areas.</p>				
<b>Township Priorities Met</b>	Place				
<b>Land Owner</b>	Rochdale Council				
<b>Public Consultation</b>	No				
<b>Proposed Source of Funding</b>	Township Capital				

## B. ESTIMATE

### Assumptions made during preparation of estimate


All prices correct at time of submission.

### Risks that may change estimate

Increased cost of materials etc.

<b>Total Estimated Fees</b>	£ 324.53		
<b>Total Estimated Works Costs</b>	£3245.28		
<b>Total Cost</b>	£3569.81		
<b>Amount Approved by Township</b>	£		<b>Cost Code</b>

<b>C. TIMESCALES</b>			
<b>Estimated Start Date</b>			
<i>(start date subject to commissioning within three months of application)</i>			
<b>Evidence</b>			
Orders raised			
<b>Completion Date</b>			
<b>Evidence</b>			
Installation of fence & information boards			

<b>D. AUTHORISATION</b>			
<b>I have read the terms and conditions provided with this form and agree to the funds being allocated as approved at Committee</b>			
<b>Date Committee Approved Scheme</b>			
<b>Signature of Head of Service</b>		<b>Date</b>	24/01/2020
<b>Signature of Townships &amp; Communities Manager</b>		<b>Date</b>	
<b>Signature of Township Chair</b>		<b>Date</b>	

**KEY**

	To be completed by whoever receives the original proposal
	To be completed by Service/Provider after discussion with the Township Office
	To be completed by Township Councillor/Officer

# VETERAN TREE



A veteran tree can be defined as: 'a tree that is of interest biologically, culturally or aesthetically because of its age, size or condition'.

*Veteran Trees: A guide to good management.*  
(Natural England)

This Cherry could well be shown on the OS First Edition 1:10,000 map circa 1851, below!

