

<b>FOI REF:</b>	14399
<b>RESPONSE SENT:</b>	11/06/2024

**Request:**

Can you tell me how many trees the council has ordered to be removed in the last 10 years? I would like information on all trees felled by council departments including those on streets and in woodlands. And how many have been replanted in that period? Can you specify how many trees were cut down because they faced insurance claims? Can you specify how many trees were cut down to allow the construction of housing developments? If providing stats going back 10 years is not possible can you provide stats for tree felling for the past 5 or 3 years?

**Response:**

Due to a change in tree survey software we only hold felling data back to 2021. These are for all trees on land owned by Winchester City Council. The following are the numbers for felling of trees and coppicing (felling at ground level and allowing to regrow) for the years 2021 – 2024:

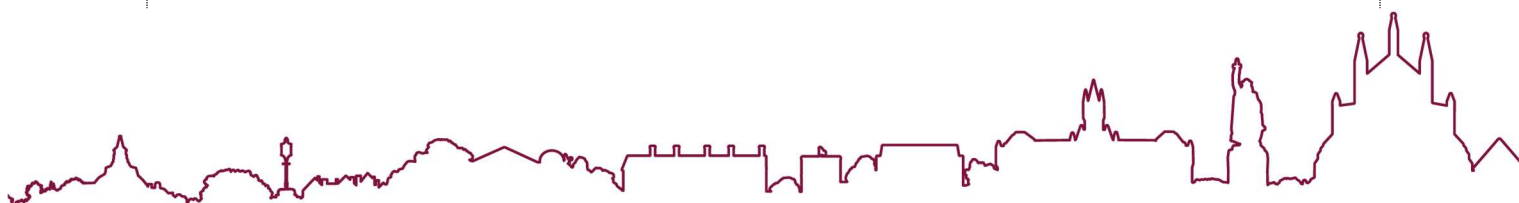
2021 – 328

2022 – 146

2023 – 259

2024 - 48

Total number of fells/coppicing on our tree software is 781. We don't hold the information for specific reasons for the trees being felled for example housing developments as per your request. The trees are surveyed by our tree surveyor, and if they are found to be unhealthy, or dead, then they are removed.



We have tree planting information dating back to the planting season of November 2019 – March 2020.

2019/20

590(Nov 19 - Mar 20)

2020/21

398 (Nov 20 - Mar 21)

2021/22

381 (Nov 21 - Mar 22)

2022/23

77 (Nov 22- Mar 23)

2023/24

226 (Nov 23 - Mar 24)

There are no trees that have been removed due to insurance claims on council owned land, however we do receive these requests for protected tree applications for privately owned trees.

