MOTION ON NOTICE



Date of Council Meeting: 15 September 2025

Title of Motion: Introducing a fair system of assessing trees suitable for a Tree Preservation Order.

Motion Narrative:

In recent years Plymouth has seen the loss of many important trees owned by Plymouth City Council. Their significance was never recognised as the treatment of City Council owned trees compared with those privately owned, has meant that Tree Preservation Orders have not been considered necessary in order to protect them. As a result, the public's trust in Plymouth City Council protecting its own trees is now minimal.

Action Required:

That Council resolves:

- I. That trees in Plymouth that are worthy of protection should be considered for Tree Protection Orders irrespective of land ownership.
- Request the Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change to prepare and
 publish a schedule of City Council owned trees that are worthy of being protected by
 Tree Preservation Orders and arrange for such Orders to be processed by the City
 Council in the next 6 months.

Proposer: Councillor Maddi Bridgeman

Seconder: Councillor Patrick Nicholson