

# Highways Ash Dieback Survey Flowchart

Survey Phase: Mid-June to mid-September

Who: Arboricultural Officers/Level 1 Inspectors/Year in Industry Students/Volunteers

Where: Roads, Public Rights of Way, Trails, trees within falling distance of a road

Dieback %  
0%, 0-25%, 25-50%

Dieback %  
50-75%

Dieback %  
75-100%, 100% or tree requires surgery

Survey results passed to Arb team  
No need for specialist Arb inspection  
Trees that appear to have resistance:  
Photograph send details to Arb team  
Re-inspect in line with tree policy

Survey results passed to Arb team for specialist inspection  
Photograph (if appropriate)  
Arb team to mark trees - only if required  
TPO/CA checks (process TBC with district tree officers)

Survey results passed to Arb team for specialist inspection  
If emergency tree work required, carry out in line with Tree Policy and forward details to Arb team  
Mark trees with tree tag or spray paint if required  
Photograph (if appropriate)  
TPO/CA checks (process TBC with district tree officers)

Work Required?

No

Yes  
Report sent to Highways

Arb team to action:

Identify landowner/leaseholder via a land registry search (check with highways boundary team if required)  
Send Chalara advisory letter to landowner/leaseholder who appears on land registry search result (including indicative map locating trees), cc Highways  
Note spreadsheet (N drive) with landowner/leaseholder details/date letter sent and keep updated

Highways to action:

Identify landowner/leaseholder via a land registry search (check with highways boundary team if required)  
Private trees – Initiate Highway procedure and serve notice pursuant to Section 154 Highways Act 1980  
NCC and highway trees – Quotes and order work as per Highway procedure  
Note spreadsheet (N drive) with landowner/leaseholder details/date letter sent and keep updated. Note the deadline for compliance with any s.154 Highways Act 1980 served  
Follow up to check specified work carried out  
If work not carried out contractor to be sent to site within X days and process for re-claiming costs from landowner started

Re-survey the following summer unless the landowner/leaseholder makes contact with survey results/inform us of work carried out  
Repeat process for 50-75% dieback