

Decision Notice: Tree removal and replacement



Site name: Union Street /
Haymarket/ Lewins Mead junction

Number of trees: 3

Date of notice: Monday 19 January
2026

Type of tree: Silver Maple

Consultation Period:

Monday 3rd November 2025 until Monday 1st December 2025.

Outcome of public consultation:

Following consideration of all the comments, the outcome is that the 3 trees are to be removed.

Reason for removal

The removal of the trees is necessary to enable improvements for walking, wheeling, cycling and public transport in this area as part of the City Centre transport improvement project. The design chosen is the only feasible arrangement due to space constraints around this already very busy junction.

Due to the size of the trees to be felled, it is not possible for them to be replanted elsewhere and survive. The whole project is aiming to install circa 30 new trees, plus new planting beds, which is beyond the standard set in the Bristol Tree Replacement Standard. These trees will be planted when the main construction works for the project commence. The species of the new trees to be planted is yet to be determined, and the choices will align with Bristol City Council's existing policies and strategies.

The felling will be scheduled outside of bird nesting seasons where possible. Should felling be necessary within the nesting season, the trees will first be examined by an ecologist to assess whether felling can take place, with felling delayed if any bird nesting is identified.

The trees being felled will initially be left with a 1.5-metre stump, which will be removed when the main construction works take place.

For further information, visit the consultation hub:

www.bristol.gov.uk/tree-management-hub

