

Tree Warden- Annual Review 2023-24

Saplings have been planted this year along the inner edge of the Regatta Field which we hope will alleviate some of the drainage issues.

The three trees planted for the Platinum Jubilee in 2022 are all doing well, unlike the tree planted near the Pattern Hall for King Charles' Coronation which was vandalised. This has now been replaced and the vandalised tree replanted in the Regatta Field in the hope it will recover.

We continue to regularly monitor the saplings near Holmbush Arch, towards the Battery and in the Regatta Field. The apple trees at the top of the field are establishing despite deer and footballs.

Ash dieback continues to cause concern with many planning applications requesting felling of affected trees. In all applications we try to ensure that suitable replanting is a planning condition even if the affected tree is not covered by a Tree Preservation Order.

The Duporth CIC continues to monitor the health of trees on the Duporth Estate and the recent purchase of an area of woodland by a private resident will ensure vital tree restoration work will be undertaken.

If anyone is planting trees on their land I will collate the information to submit to Cornwall Council to contribute towards their Forest for Cornwall initiative.

At this time of year trees are just coming into leaf and the mature beeches are looking particularly good. All our mature trees need to be looked after and safeguarded as their environmental benefits cannot be easily replaced.