



# RESCOM COMMUNIQUE

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## Arbor day Report Back

Dear residents,

I hope you have all noticed what a difference the Arbor Day pruners have made!

26 residents turned up on Saturday and after a briefing and organising into teams, got on with the job. What I had thought would be a small job that would be done by 12.00 turned out to be anything but that! The trees and shrubs had been left for far too many years without a pruning and despite a magnificent effort by all, the job isn't done.

Before looking forward to "What next" I'd like to thank all those involved in the day's activities: the pruners, the braaier, the Hospitality ladies who organized the food etc., and the water and orange carriers - you all did a great job that is very much appreciated!

But the job isn't done! Most of the pruners I spoke to said we need another morning so I'm suggesting we meet again on Saturday 26th September to finish it off. Unless I hear from you I will understand that you're will be available to continue where you left off. Everybody I spoke to said that despite the hard work it was a fun day so if anybody else would like to join, please let me know. We won't need another briefing so we can go straight into the pruning at 08.30.

Looking longer term, somebody suggested that we should plant trees one year, and then prune the next so that we don't again end up with such a big job. That sounds like a good idea that I'll try to remember going forward.

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