Residents are reminded that all the trees within our Conservation Area with a trunk diameter greater than 75mm at 1.5m above ground level are protected. This applies to both those in the communal areas and in private gardens. If anyone wishes to carry out works to a tree, they must give six weeks' written notice to Southampton City Council - for further information and an application form, please see <u>https://www.southampton.gov.uk/people-places/parks-open-spaces/trees/protected/</u>

There is no charge to residents applying to SCC for tree work. Pruning of fruit trees is excluded: as it states in our Appraisal and Management Plan 'Notice is not required for the pruning, in accordance with good horticultural practice, of any tree cultivated for the production of fruit'.

The Arboricultural Association [www.trees.org.uk] produces some helpful leaflets on planting, pruning and selecting tree surgeons and, along with the International Society of Arboriculture, maintains a register of quality assured and certified tree surgeons, including several in our area.

New Trees in Ethelburt Avenue

1 Any tree to be donated and planted on the communal areas of the Estate requires the approval of the Tree Group

2 In general, the tree and its location should be in keeping with the overall tree planting scheme on the estate broadly in line with Herbert Collin's vision.

3 More specifically, the following should be observed:

- a] the tree, other than on the greens, should be a type of flowering cherry
- b] it should have a clear stem and defined crown, rather than being bushy
- c] its location should be aligned with other trees trees along the verge, i.e. consider the spacing between the trees and its distance from the front gardens.

4 Any new tree should be watered during dry periods by the donor.