



**Dear Mrs Millichamp,**

The Parish Council has recently been made aware, through local conversations, that the oak tree situated on the boundary of your property may be causing you some difficulties, particularly due to the large number of acorns it produces each year.

We completely understand how challenging this can be, especially where there is a risk of slipping or where the clearing of acorns becomes a significant task. Your safety and comfort at home are important to us, and we want to ensure you feel supported.

As you may know, this oak tree is a long-established part of the village landscape. Mature native trees such as this one provide considerable ecological value and are an important habitat for many species.

With this in mind, the Parish Council's Environmental Group has kindly offered to assist by arranging volunteers who can help clear acorns during the peak season. This support is offered in good faith to help reduce the burden on you and minimise any risk of falls.

If you would find this helpful, please feel free to contact me and I will coordinate with the volunteers to ensure the area is checked and cleared regularly when needed.

We hope this approach provides some reassurance and helps ease the difficulties the acorns may cause, while also preserving a tree that forms an important part of Highley's natural heritage.

If you have any further concerns or would like to discuss this in more detail, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

**Alison Palmer**

Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer

Highley Parish Council

