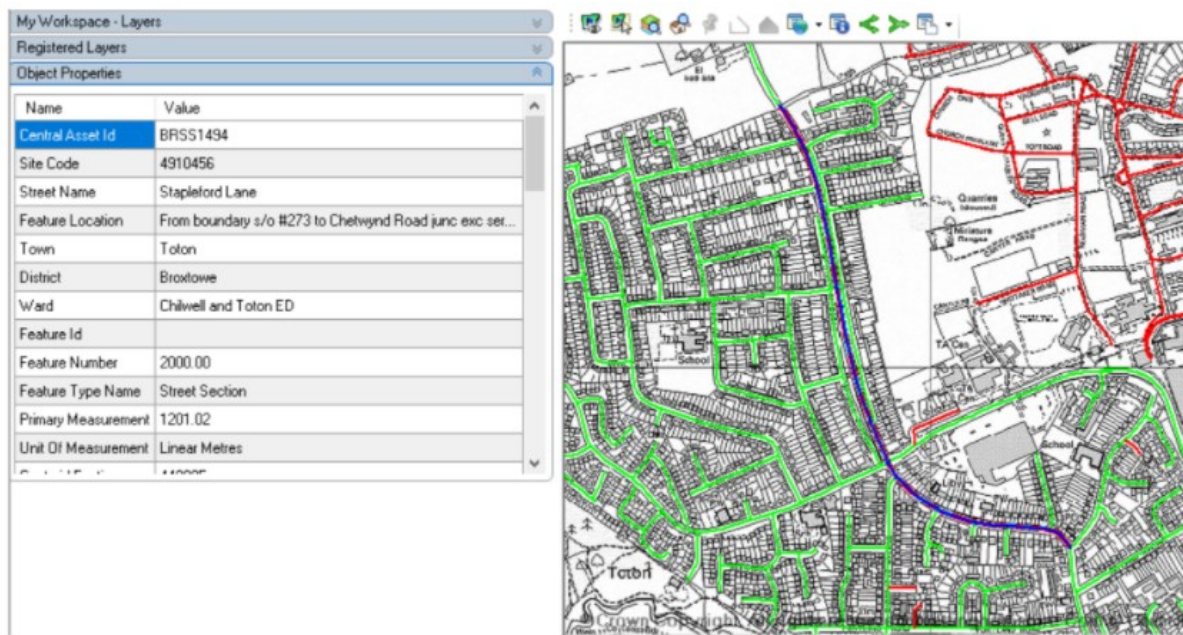


Further to your recent enquiry regarding Stapleford Lane and highway inspections, overhanging vegetation and reports relating to number ##### Stapleford Lane, Toton.

Information relating to inspection, enquiries, works and noticing is recorded and managed through the County Councils Highway Asset Management System (HAMS) and as such we will answer your enquiry using reports from this system.

Attached is a Street History Report for Stapleford Lane, Toton (4910456, 2000) covering 01/04/2020 to 01/04/2021. The Street History Report (Inspections, Works, Enquiries) attached is for the Street Section shown on the plan below:



You will see from page 16 of the report that an enquiry was received and categories as overhanging vegetation/trees in the vicinity of number ##### Stapleford Lane (Enquiry number 96781). There are no other reports for the period looked at for overgrown vegetation at or near number #####

We have attached the enquiry trace form for this enquiry and whilst some of the data is redacted in accordance with the GDPR/DPA we can say that this followed receipt of a letter. The letter reported several overgrown cherry tree branches that had allegedly broken off and fallen to the ground outside the property numb ### (Dated 23rd March. Received and logged 29th March). Three photographs were included in the letter with the following being the best example of the branch(es) and the letter reported that a high sided vehicle parked on the footway had caused the damage and struck the tree above.



Given the contents of the reporting letter a 'Maintenance of Vegetation' letter was sent##### (attached) based on the information provided. This then led to discussions between the residents##### and the officer investigating the matter (not recorded but implied by the recorded text). The site was checked (8th April, 2021) following receipt of the letter and the officer undertaking the visit reported that there was no encroachment from the neighbouring property's trees that was considered an obstruction at the time of the inspection and

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The branch(es) originally reported did not appear to be from the neighbouring tree(s) and as such Broxtowe Borough Council were asked to remove the branch(es) as they appeared to have been deposited on the Highway by some other means. The enquiry is still open in HAMS as we await confirmation that the branch(es) have been removed.

Regarding the subsequent questions in your enquiry:

[The recent routine inspection report of property and its contents – who attended/times/photos.](#)

Covered by the Street History Report and the information above. This matter was not identified through the planned Highway Inspection regime but via a separate letter to the County Council.

[The recent report of Stapleford Lane NG9 6FZ as there are several other properties with more severe overhangs#####](#) so a full report must have been done at the same time.

Overhanging encroaching vegetation issues are identified by Highway Inspectors and individual enquiries from the public. Generally, those enquiries from the public are inspected on site unless there is sufficient information (photographs) which means this is not necessary. In this case, the information presented meant that the resident was contacted through the 'Maintenance of Vegetation' letter, and this then helped us understand the matter. Stapleford Lane is regularly inspected, as can be seen from the Street History report, and any areas of concern are acted on accordingly. If you believe there are properties that have trees which are affecting the use of the Highway, please report these so we can provide a specific response. ([Report a tree or vegetation problem | Nottinghamshire County Council](#))

[Any external correspondents reporting### property vegetation over hangs.](#)

The external communication that triggered this matter arose from a letter sent to Nottinghamshire County Council. We do not provide names nor copies of such letters, but we agree that the information contained in the letter was misleading and the alleged cause of the branch(es) being deposited on the Highway was incorrect.

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We think this provides you with all the information you require however, if it raises any further questions, please let us know.