6TH REPORT OF THE
TREES AND FORESTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on July 23, 2008, commencing at 12:21 p.m.

PRESENT: B. Gilmore (Chair), Councillor J. L. Baechler, C. Benson, C. Joyes, J. Kennedy, J. Ryan and D. Sheppard and B. Mercier (Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: Controller G. Barber, V. Kinsley, I. Listar, A. Macpherson and T. Tchir.


I YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:

"Tree Hero" Recognition Program

1. That a "Tree Hero" Recognition Program BE ESTABLISHED, to recognize Londoner’s who have made voluntary efforts toward helping the Urban Forest.

II YOUR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2009 Budget Submission

2. That the Trees and Forests Advisory Committee (TFAC) received a communication dated June 18, 2008 from the City Clerk, with respect to the 2009 Budget Submissions for Advisory Committees. The TFAC asked that its 2009 Budget be maintained at the 2008 level of $1,000.00.

Gypsy Moth Infestation

3. That the Trees and Forests Advisory Committee (TFAC) reviewed and received a report dated July 14, 2008 from the Director of Roads and Transportation and heard a verbal delegation from I. Listar, Urban Forester, with respect to the Gypsy Moth infestation; it being noted that the TFAC asked staff to provide the TFAC with a copy of the Integrated Pest Management Strategy, once developed, and a verbal presentation with respect to this matter.

20-Year Urban Forestry Strategic Plan Components

4. That the Trees and Forests Advisory Committee (TFAC) reviewed and received a document and heard a verbal delegation from D. Sheppard, with respect to the components of a 20-Year Urban Forestry Strategic Plan; it being noted that the TFAC asked that the above-mentioned document be referred to its Urban Forest Working Group for discussion.

Tree Evaluation Form

5. That the Trees and Forests Advisory Committee (TFAC) reviewed and received a communication and heard a verbal delegation from D. Sheppard, with respect to The Tree Evaluation and Trunk Formula Method forms; it being noted that the TFAC referred the above-mentioned forms to its Working Group for further discussion with respect to their implementation and use.

6. That the Trees and Forests Advisory Committee (TFAC) noted and filed the following:

(a) the 5th Report of the Trees and Forests Advisory Committee (TFAC) from its meeting held on May 28, 2008;

(b) an information report dated July 14, 2008 from the Director of Roads and Transportation, with respect to tree watering during times of drought; and,

(c) a communication from LEAF, with respect to the Three "P"s of Healthy Trees: Preserve, Protect and Plant.

Deferred Item - Emerald Ash Borer Update

7. That consideration of the Emerald Ash Borer update was deferred to the Trees and Forests Advisory Committee (TFAC) meeting to be held on September 24, 2008.
That the Trees and Forests Advisory Committee (TFAC) will hold its next meeting on September 24, 2008.

The meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.