

HOLLOW WOODS: PURFLEET

SURVEY:

Thursday 31 October 2019: 12noon – 4pm

Friday 1 November 2019: 9am – 12 noon

LOCATION:

Hollow Woods are located in the town of Purfleet Essex within the ward of West Thurrock and South Stifford electoral division which is in the constituency of Thurrock.

Nearest postcode location is RM19 1QR. The site can accessed by a private resident non-tarmac vehicular dirt path from London Road which leads to Hollow Woods.

The site (Hollow Woods) are bounded by London Road to the South, Church Lane to the West, Caspian Way to the North, and Cornwall House Carpark to the East.

PURPOSE OF SURVEY:

To observe and monitor the use of land (Hollow Woods) during a set period of days and times.

DESCRIPTION OF LOCATION:

Situated within a conservation area and covering approximately 9050 square meters the land is predominantly densely overgrown low grade green space covered by varying heights of unmanaged shrubs, bushes and trees.

No purpose built man made paths can be seen and no historic trodden walkways are evident.

Because of the extremely dense foliage almost all of the location are unable to be accessed and the ability to walk into most parts of the location is not possible.

The topography over the land ranges from between ground level to approximately 2/3 metres in height toward the boundary of London road.

No specific ongoing maintenance of the land is evident other than sporadic places of minor clearance where soil ground surveys have taken place for soil investigation purposes. (See photos)

Parts of the land have been and are being used to dump rubbish around its periphery and could pose a health and safety risk.

SURVEY OUTCOME:

The survey took place over 2 days with dates and times specified in the report.

Two officers from Thurrock Council were based directly at the location and positioned to observe any movement and use over the land.

During the time of the survey, officers did not observe any members of the public either accessing the land or attempting to use the land for enjoyment or recreational purposes.