

Committee(s):	Date(s):	Item no.
Open Spaces and City Gardens Committee	22 July 2013	
Subject: Blue Trees	Public	
Report of: Director of Open Spaces	For Information	
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Summary</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">A request has been received by Trees for Cities to extend the Blue Trees art installation at three gardens in the City of London. The blue trees have generated interest from the media and visitors to the gardens.</p> <p>Recommendation</p> <p>That the extension of the 26th July until the 27th September is agreed.</p>		

Main Report

1. Background

In partnership with Trees for Cities, tree at three sites in the City of London have been coloured blue by the Australian artist Konstantin Dimopoulos. Blue Trees are currently in three locations: Festival Gardens, Devonshire Square and Aldermanbury Square.

2. Current Position

The trees were coloured by Konstantin Dimpoulos at the end of June. The trees have attracted interests among visitors and publicity for the City of London's open spaces. A request has been received by Trees for Cities to postpone the removal of the colourant. It is proposed that instead of the colourant being removed on the 26th of July, it remains in place until the 27th of the September.

3. Financial and Risk implications

The extension of the installation does not incur any financial cost to the City of London.

4. Conclusion

Given the popularity of the installation and the absence of any associated costs or risks with postponing the removal of the colourant it is proposed that the request from Trees for Cities is agreed.

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