

Birmingham TreePeople The Droplet Street Tree Surveying



Over the weekend, Sunday 25th February, Nina Griffiths – BTP Trustee in charge of the <u>Street Tree Surveys</u> – led the first street tree surveying training session, as well as some emergency tree care for some damaged trees.

The practical workshop in Bordesley Green followed an online introductory session to the theory of street trees and the surveying of them, before the superb group of old and new volunteers headed out to collect this year's data.

New volunteers and enthusiasts included Meena, Jitesh Patel, Qurat al Ain, Abdul Mateen, and Ruth Tetlow (who recently applied and has now planted the first memorial tree with us, through our Treemembrance programme that Julianne Statham leads, in commemoration of Debt Justice).

Deanne Brettle, BTP Trustee for Tree Trails, assisted Nina Griffiths with the session today: here she is pictured with two of our new volunteers, measuring one of the trees.



Deanne Brettle, Nina Griffiths, Ruth Tetlow, Jitesh Patel, and Julianne Statham: all smiles for our underrated street trees!



As previously mentioned, two of the trees found were sick or damaged, so emergency <u>tree care</u> was administered by the heartwarming team.

Even though it rather cold with February's hint of frostiness, the fun was everpresent (see left photo for proof of smiles), and the dedicated team of <u>urban forest volunteers</u> managed to survey ten trees, and with the upcoming Sunday 3rd March session, there'll be more to come!



