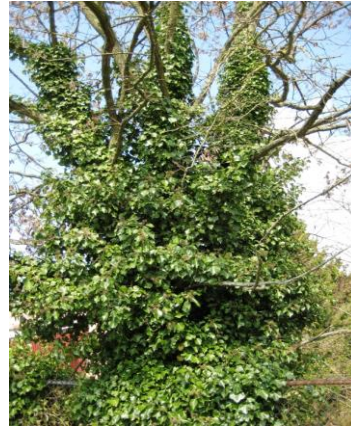


## **SEVEN STEPS TO REMOVE ENGLISH IVY FROM YOUR TREE**

### **You will need:**

- Loppers, secateurs and pruning saw
- Spade or other digging tool
- Rake
- Herbicide- only if desired
- Large containers or re-usable bags to store ivy material

**Wear protective clothing- gloves, dusk mask, boots and long pants and shirt.**



**DO NOT just rip off the vines growing on the tree, as the bark will come off too and this will damage the tree.**

- 1. Starting at the base of the tree, cut an inch or two section out of each ivy stem clinging to the tree and remove it.**
- 2. Immediately paint the cut surface on the attached stem carefully with full strength herbicide, if desired NB- follow instructions on label carefully.**

**\*\* Omit this step if you don't want to use poisons\*\***

- 3. If possible, repeat this process every few feet up the stem of the ivy, as high as you can reach.**
- 4. Leave the stems clinging to the tree. Loose, hanging stems can be cut off if desired.**
- 5. Dig up any ivy growing on the ground. Remove all stems and roots and place in bag.**
- 6. Wait for some time, perhaps several weeks. Once the ivy on the tree has died, take the stems off the tree, as they will now come away easily.**
- 7. Check the ground for any re- growth of ivy and remove it.**

### **Reference**