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TREE FELLING TO COMMENCE AT INVERNESS CASTLE

Work will commence on Monday (21 February) to remove 28 trees from the grounds around Inverness Castle to provide much better views of the city landmark as well as from it.

North-East Tree Services will work between 9.30 am and 4 pm between Monday and Friday 25 February and then return between Monday 14 March and Friday 18 March to complete the contract.

Motorists are advised that Castle Road will be restricted to one carriageway during the time of the works as the lane beside the castle embankment is required for disposing of the felled timber.

During felling, Castle Road will require to be closed to motorists and pedestrians, with traffic being diverted via View Place and Castle Street or via Bridge Street and Castle Street.

The environmental improvements – costing an estimated £10,000 - are part of a programme of works identified by the City of Inverness and Area Committee of The Highland Council, in association with the City Partnership.

Also planned is ground reinstatement works and replacement planting. Shrub areas will also be selectively cut back.

Anyone requiring additional information or with queries should contact The Highland Council's Arboricultural Assistant, Ms Mary MacPherson on 01463 702525 or mary.macpherson@highland.gov.uk

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