

Tree of the Month



June 2021

Is awarded by **Wild About Barrow** to
Horse Chestnut (*Aesculus hippocastanum*)
At Millennium Park
Nominated by Mr Keith Thomas Lewis

This tree stands in the millennium Park Barrow on Soar. Trees don't have to be in full leaf to look beautiful. During lockdown I've seen it gain its leaf, lose them and now springing back to life again. Showing that, no matter the conditions, life will win out. An example that should lift all our spirits. It never looked lovelier than during the heavy snow Barrow had earlier this year. Three cheers for this tree.



And now looking even lovelier in full leaf and flower with every child no doubt looking forward to the wonderful autumn fruits – conkers! It is shocking to learn that this species has a conservation status of *near threatened* meaning that it is declining. Fortunately we have a number of these wonderful trees in our village.

Contact wildaboutbarrow@gmail.com for your suggestion for another month