

Japanese knotweed is a problem that can't be beaten easily

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TREATMENT Japanese Knotweed Control can treat the problem for you using their accurate and efficient stem injection system

OVER the past few years, there has been an increased awareness both commercially and domestically about what Japanese knotweed looks like and the potential devastation it can cause.

Left unchecked, knotweed can be a 'ticking timebomb' but potentially worse still could be a greenkeeper's decision to carry out their own random spraying, mowing or chopping down, all of which could exacerbate growth.

There are a number of recognised treatment methods including dig and dump, on-site burial, folia spray, leaf wipe, incineration and, their preferred technique, stem injection, which involves delivery of a measured dose of herbicide into the centre of the plant rather than just the surface.

Royal Mid-Surrey Golf Club is one example of a leading club that took action. General Manager Mike Newey and Course Manager Gavin Kinsella recognised that, if left untreated, the knotweed's continued encroachment on the course could escalate into a major costly issue for the club.

Traditional chemical spraying of large infested areas was not an environmentally safe option, whereas Japanese Knotweed Control's localised stem injection method offered a more accurate and efficient solution.

Kinsella said: "JKC offered a first class service, impressing us with the efficiency and accuracy of its stem injection system. We were able to see immediate results as the knotweed began to die back and the main benefit has been that no other vegetation or animal life on the course, or in the surrounding area was affected".

"The JKC team was professional, personable and highly knowledgeable about the treatment and quickly overcame a problem that threatened to become a major and expensive issue for our golf club."

For further information, visit their website:

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