

## Bagworms in Prestbury

Several homes in Prestbury have Arborvitae bushes that are infected with bagworms. Bagworms can cause significant damage to trees by feeding on their leaves and needles, potentially leading to defoliation and even death, especially in evergreens. Young bagworms create small holes in leaves, while older ones can consume entire needles or leaves. Deciduous trees may recover from defoliation, but evergreens often suffer more severe damage and may not recover, according to the Morton Arboretum.

These can be treated and your bushes can be saved. Attached are some photos of what they look like so you can find them and treat before they spread and or destroy your bushes.

Treatment includes picking off the bagworms and spraying of the bushes. Two recommendations for spays are Bonide Captain Jack's Deadbug Brew and Monterey B.t..

