

Why Should you Report a tree?

- If the tree is dangerous, dead, diseased or causing disrepair to your home
- The base of the tree, its roots or the land surrounding it is visibly moving
- There is a large split on any part of the tree
- There is a risk of public safety, or damage to the tree following heavy winds/storm damage
- The tree roots are obstructing or causing a hazard on pathways
- If the roots are causing damage to drainage systems or building infrastructure

Inspections for emergency cases will be carried out within 24 hours.

Routine enquires will be carried out within 28 days.

Cannock Chase Council will only maintain a tree if one or more of these conditions apply.

Please check page 15 of your Tenancy Agreement 3.28 states: You agree to keep your garden (including trees) or garage for which you are responsible for tidy. This means that you must not allow your garden to be excessively untidy or overgrown.

It is your responsibility to resolve the issue if the tree is:

- Large, overbearing or tall
- Blocking light into your home
- Dropping Blossom, leaves, fruit or sap
- Nesting birds or squirrels
- Healthy but no longer wanted
- Overhanging your garden

You should not carry out any work to a tree in your garden or on housing land without written permission from the Council.

Any wilful damage to trees (including unauthorised works) could result in you being recharged and or subject to legal action being taken by the Council.

You will also need to check with the Council to see if the Tree is protected under a 'Tree Preservation order' or is located within a 'Conservation area'. If the tree is protected, you will need consent from the Council to carry out the work).





Please note: Cannock Chase Council's Tree Service can provide you with a quotation for Tree Maintenance, or you may wish to contact any of the approved contractors listed on this website www.trees.org.uk/arb-approved-contractor-directory

NB The Council does not endorse or accept liability for any works undertaken from the above list.