



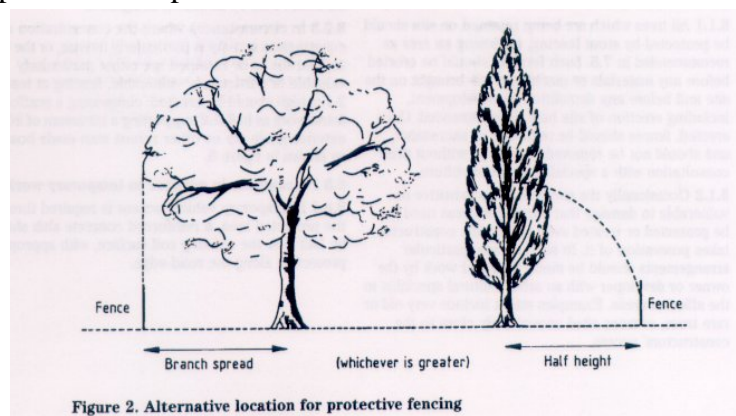
ADVISORY NOTE FOR THE CARE OF TREES ON DEVELOPMENT SITES

You have now received planning consent as detailed in the attached decision notice. As you will be aware your consent does include the retention of important trees on the site. In order to assist you in the correct tree protection methods and to help you to comply with your planning conditions Knowsley MBC has produced this short document to give you advice and guidance in caring for trees on development sites.

PROTECTIVE FENCING

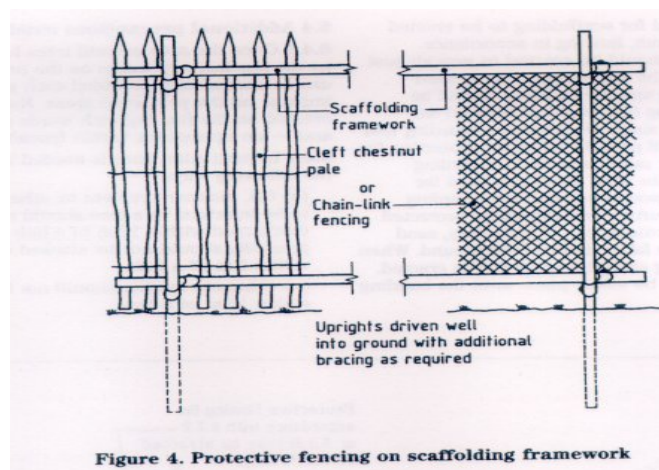
- **Correct Position**

The position of this fencing may have already been agreed as part of the planning consent. However, if it has not, please contact the Arboricultural Officer ***before*** any materials or machinery is brought on site and ***before*** development commences. The Arboricultural Officer will agree the correct position of fencing in accordance with BS 5837:1991 as illustrated below. The fencing should then remain in position until the development is complete.



- **Correct Type**

The type of fencing used for tree protection should be 1.2 m high and as shown below, unless otherwise agreed. It should be strong enough to withstand an impact from machinery.



Below is a brief list of Do's and Don'ts to bear in mind when trees are required to be retained on a development site

Do

- i. Do ensure that all trees are protected with the correct type of fencing as detailed overleaf and that this remains in position until the development is complete.
- ii. Do advise the site foreman of any problems in relation to trees or difficulties in carrying out your duties because of the presence of trees or the associated protective fencing. Arrangements can then be made for the Local Authority Arboricultural Officer to visit the site to discuss the matter.
- iii. Do continue to respect the trees on site and bear in mind that their presence as a healthy tree cover could be a major selling point on the site.

Don't

- i. Don't remove the protective fencing without prior agreement from the Local Authority Arboricultural Officer.
- ii. Don't store building materials or equipment around the base of a tree. This can cause compaction, which can kill tree roots.
- iii. Don't pile soil, sand or other materials around the base of a tree. This can cause compaction, which can kill tree roots.
- iv. Don't spill cement, fuel or any other potential pollutants around or near trees.
- v. Don't light fires or drive vehicles beneath the canopies of the trees on site. Driving causes compaction and fires can serious damage to the trees stem, branches and roots.

THIS GUIDANCE NOTE IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE GENERAL GUIDANCE ONLY. IF YOU HAVE ANY FURTHER DOUBTS ABOUT WHAT YOU ARE REQUIRED TO DO IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH PLANNING CONDITIONS RELATING TO TREES PLEASE CONTACT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY ARBORICULTURAL OFFICER AT THE EARLIEST OPPURTUNITY.

Should you wish to discuss any issues raised in this document, please contact Carl Salisbury the Local Authority Arboricultural Officer, on 0151 443 2281. Further advice relating to tree matters can also be found on our website at www.knowsley.gov.uk