

# Tree plans and policies

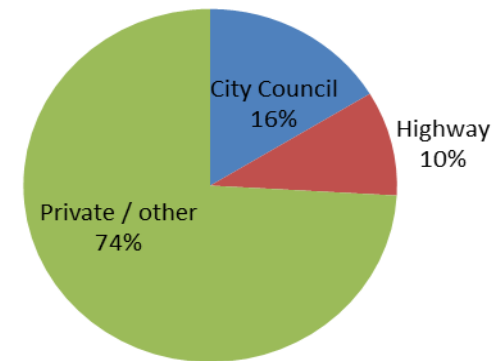


Protecting trees, increasing canopy cover and mitigating the impacts of Climate Change

# The urban forest model

Traditional Tree Management	Urban Forest Model
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trees as ornament</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trees as infrastructure</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trees as Individuals</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forest (or overall canopy cover)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trees have low priority</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trees have equal priority to other urban infrastructure such as roads and services</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trees have no monetary value</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Urban Forest is seen as a valuable asset</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Small and ornamental trees</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Large Canopy Trees</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tree maintenance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forest management</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Legal boundaries determine management</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Urban Forest as a continuous resource regardless of ownership boundaries</li> </ul>

Canopy cover %



# Issues



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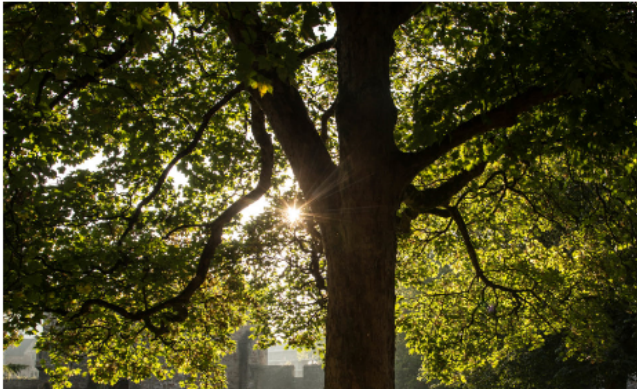
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## Revealed: The trees on our streets are being felled at a rate of 58 a day



Campaigners fear that urban trees are under threat. (Photo by Matt Cardy/Getty Images)

Britain's beloved street trees are being felled at a rate of nearly 60 a day, it can be revealed, amid fears council chainsaw gangs are stripping the nation's leafy suburbs of their Victorian and Edwardian boughs to save money.

Figures obtained by **i** under freedom of information laws show that more than

- Climate change
- Pests and disease
- Population increase
- Urban intensification
- An aging tree population
- Public concern

Read more at: <https://inews.co.uk/essentials/news/environment/revealed-suburban-trees-felled-rate-58-day/>

# Three approaches

## To protect

- existing trees, where appropriate, through the Council's regulatory responsibilities; and through the provision of tree management advice

## To enhance

- tree cover, through the Council's regulatory responsibilities; through education; through public engagement; and through new tree planting

## To manage

- sustainably the Council's tree stock and those we maintain by agreement, in accordance with current best practice and within the resource allocated

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