

## **Annex A. Current tree management arrangements.**

The management of trees in the city is split into two areas:

1) Trees the council has direct control of; namely trees on highway verges, within the grounds of schools and CYC housing, parks, public open spaces and on other council owned land.

2) Trees whose management and protection the council can influence; these are trees in private ownership which have statutory protection by Tree Preservation Orders (TPOs); trees situated within Conservation Areas (TCA's); trees on land subject to a planning proposal; other privately owned trees/woodland with a community benefit.

Staff from various sections within the Council play a variety of roles in managing the city's tree stock

- The Arboricultural Officer in the Design Conservation and Sustainable Development Team in Planning oversees the management of council trees on land within the jurisdiction of highways, schools, housing and community services.
- The Landscape Architect in the Design, Conservation and Sustainable Development Team in Planning determines applications for work to TPO and TCA trees and advises Development Control on tree protection and landscape design.
- Their work is supported by an Environment Technician.
- The Parks and Open Spaces Officer and the Assistant Parks and Open Spaces Officer carry out or commission proactive and reactive tree inspections, commission maintenance, and coordinate planting programmes.

Staff within Neighbourhood Services provide tree surgery services whom compete for work. Additional external contactors are also needed given the volume of work