

Kia ora,

Our team has assessed a site outside your property for the planting of a new tree. This may be in response to a request or following a planting survey.

The site has been deemed as:

Suitable Unsuitable

If it is unsuitable, this may be because of:

- Underground, overhead, or on-street services
- The berm being too small or the tree having no room to grow
- Other issues, such as visibility for road users
- However we may be able to find an alternative nearby site for replacement planting/s.

If we think the site is suitable, but you don't want the tree planted there, you may be able to help us decide on the final positioning of the tree. (You're not able to influence our decision about whether to plant the tree outside your property or not.) If you have a suggestion about the positioning of the tree, please call us on **03 941 8999** or email **info@ccc.govt.nz**

We usually plant during the winter months, from May to August, as this gives the tree the best start. For more information see:

- Section 1.0 of our Tree Policy at **ccc.govt.nz/tree-policy**
- **ccc.govt.nz/trees-and-vegetation**

Tree plantings

Information for tree planting



Find out more

- 📧 Email us at asset.protection@ccc.govt.nz
- ☎ Call us on (03) 941 8999 and ask to speak to an Asset Protection Officer

Tree planting:

Trees are integral to the Ōtautahi-Christchurch identity and provide many benefits.

Planting trees is vital in managing and developing a sustainable canopy cover over the city.

This starts with providing suitable spaces for trees to be planted. Improving the quality of the tree canopy and reducing the problems some trees bring means planting “the right tree in the right place”.

We aim to plant the most appropriate tree species considering the suitability of the site, the attributes of the tree and its potential to contribute to the landscape character. We also consider other Council plans and strategic objectives

- **Trees planted in the street:**
the species must have enough space to grow without significantly damaging existing infrastructure.
- **Trees planted under power lines:**
species are selected based on their ability to grow to maturity without needing line clearance pruning that can result in poor tree form or structure.
- **Tree replacement:**
Every tree we remove will be replaced by the planting of at least two trees.



Benefits of trees:

Trees provide social, environmental, cultural, ecological and economic benefits and enrich the quality of city life.

Environmental benefits:

- Trees produce oxygen and reduce air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions
- The shade trees provide cools hard surfaces and waterways
- Trees help with stormwater management and erosion control
- Trees provide habitats, improving ecosystems and increasing biodiversity

Economic benefits:

- Trees store carbon and provide shelter from the elements, especially the damaging effects of the sun. They absorb air pollution and keep cities cooler in summer.
- Trees can increase property values
- They can encourage economic activity in retail and commercial areas

Social benefits:

- Improved mental wellbeing
- Trees give neighbourhoods character and are a vital part of our ‘garden city’ identity
- Trees provide shade and shelter
- Trees produce food and some have medicinal uses

Tree species selection:

The tree we’ve chosen to plant outside your property is a:

To find out more about the tree species chosen please visit our web page:

ccc.govt.nz/tree-and-urban-forest-plan/tree-planting-guide

Nurturing the young tree

Our contractor will look after the tree for its first 24 months.

However, we’d appreciate your help. If you think the tree needs additional watering, mulching, or staking then please call us on **03 941 8999**, email info@CCC.govt.nz or notify us using the SnapSendSolve app and the contractor will come out to check on the tree.

