

## **Central District Tree Care Programme: June 2024**

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Dublin City Council (DCC) Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services are in charge of the maintenance and care of Dublin City urban forest, street trees included. Following a tender process, DCC parks, biodiversity and Landscape has selected an Arboricultural Consultancy to carry out our new annual programme of street tree inventory and assessment. Each year, since 2020, the arborist contractor and DCC Parks staff inspect and systematically record over 4,000 street trees and park trees.

The works consist in a combination of crown reduction, Crown Cleaning and crown lifting (250 cm over footpath and road; 450 cm over bus corridor) of 165 street trees located in Central District, Dublin City.

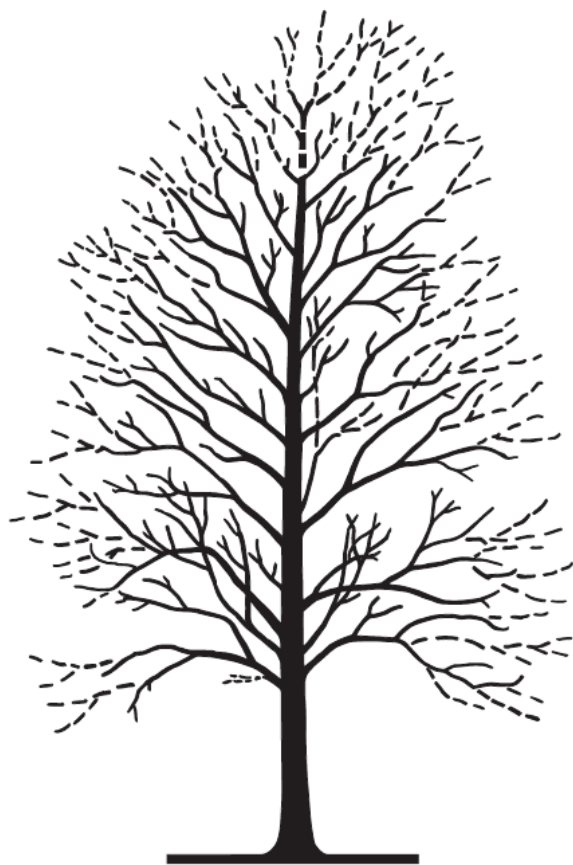
The contractor is instructed to check trees for nests before tree works. In the event of a live nest being found, no work will proceed on that tree until September, unless the tree is a health and safety issue. In that case, the work will be postponed and National Parks and Wildlife Services will be contacted and their recommendations will be implemented by DCC Parks, Biodiversity and Landscape Services.

All works will be carried out in accordance with guidelines set out in B.S.3998 (Recommendations for tree work).

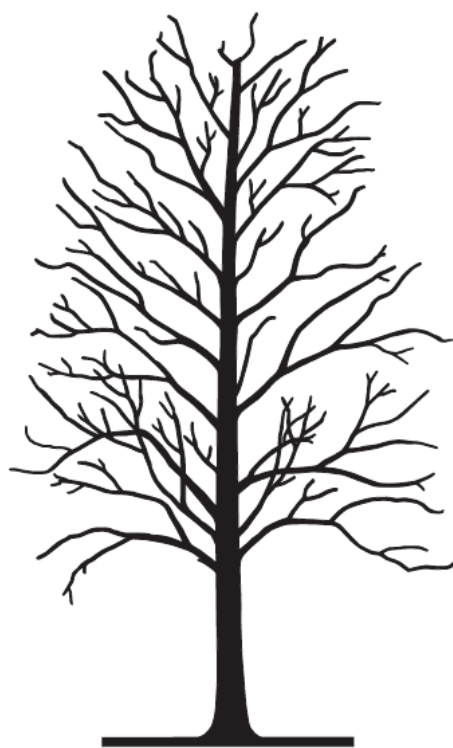
Please see below the programme of tree care for Central District, Dublin City. Work is programmed to start the last week of June and it will take 16 to 18 weeks to complete the programme.

| Street  | Tree Work Quantity |
|---|--------------------|
| PEARSE SQUARE   | 1                  |
| BAGGOT STREET   | 2                  |
| NOEL PURCELL WALK   | 2                  |
| DAWSON STREET   | 3                  |
| CUFFE STREET  | 5                  |
| PEARCE STREET   | 6                  |
| PARNELL STREET  | 12                 |
| LIFFEY RIVER WORKS (City Quay, Bachelor Walk, Ormond Quay Lower, Ormond Quay Upper, Inns Quay, Sarsfield Quay, Wolfe Tone Quay, Victoria Quay, Usher Island , Ushers Quay, Merchant Quay, Wood Quay, Georges Quay, Burgh Quay, Aston Quay). | 84                 |
| KEVIN STREET UPPER  | 3                  |
| SEVILLE PLACE   | 6                  |
| INFIRMARY ROAD  | 17                 |
| CHURCH STREET   | 1                  |
| PETER PLACE   | 3                  |
| RATHDOWN ROAD   | 3                  |
| DRUMALEE DRIVE  | 4                  |
| DRUMALEE ROAD   | 10                 |
| BULL ALLEY STREET   | 1                  |

\*Crown reduction is a tree pruning technique that involves reducing the tree's foliage while maintaining the structure of the crown. Unlike topping, it retains the main framework of the crown and therefore a high proportion of the foliage-bearing structure, which is important for the maintenance of vitality



a) Before crown reduction, showing material to be removed



b) After crown reduction