UCL Student Centre, Gordon Street

\\ 5 YEAR LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE PLAN

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Introduction

Colour were commissioned by Nicholas Hare Architects in 2015 to develop hard and soft landscape proposals for the New Student Centre to UCL, located on Gordon Street, Camden.

This document is intended to provide guidance for the maintenance of the site over a five year period in order to ensure that the original design intentions and the quality of the scheme are preserved and communicated to those responsible for its long-term management.

Together with this document an NBS performance specification and five-year work programme provide a guide to the operations required and in order to set a benchmark for the quality of maintenance works.

As a working document this management plan should be reviewed annually to ensure that any new operations or changes to existing operations are incorporated within it for the following year.

As such this document could also be used to develop cost plans and staff work programmes.

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I. Planting Strategy & General Maintenance Specification

I.I. Planting Strategy

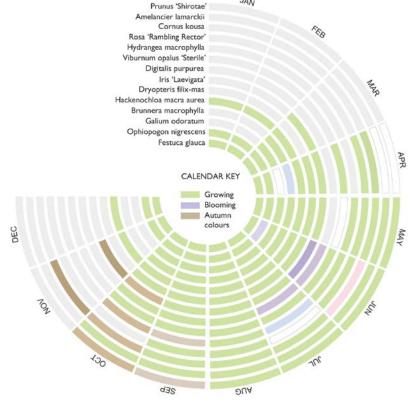
The overall strategy of the planting proposal is to celebrate seasonality in a Japanese way. Given the predominant shade conditions, Spring is the obvious season to celebrate. A simple colour palette is formed by the mixture of spring foliage and classic Japanese style grasses.

In the Japanese Garden, raised beds within the square are to be filled with pleasant texture, colour and scent. Two plant mixtures are selected

for planting areas within full shade or partial shade.

Enriched Ornamental Planting

Botanical Name	Pot Size	Mix %	Density /m2
Asplenium scolopendrium	3L	15.00	6
Astrantia maxima	3L	8.00	6
Daphne laureola	3L	15.00	6
Deschampsia cespitosa 'Goldschleier'	3L	5.00	6
Digitalis purpurea 'Alba'	2L	8.00	6
Dryopteris filix-mas	3L	15.00	6
Festuca glauca 'Elijah Blue'	2L	8.00	6
Geranium 'Johnson's Blue'	3L	5.00	6
Geranium pratense	2L	5.00	6
Hakonechloa macra 'Aureola'	3L	8.00	6
Pulmonaria officinalis 'Sissinghurst White'	3L	8.00	6



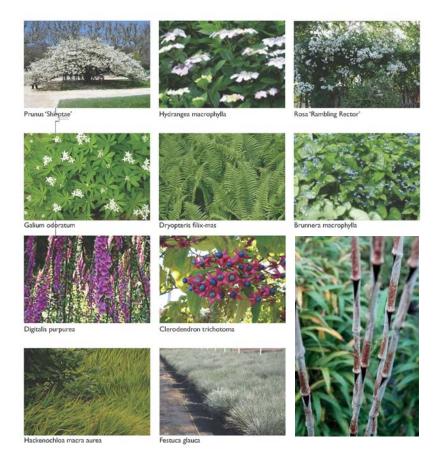
Grass and spring flower

Botanical Name	Pot Size	Mix %	Density / m2
Brunnera macrophylla	2L	33.33	7
Galanthus nivalis 'Flore Pleno'	Topsize	33.33	25
Luzula sylvatica 'Marginata'	2L	33.33	7

The boundary raised planters allow for a better rootzone and potentially larger specimens. In some areas planting needs to retain the open aspect whilst in others they will either screen poor views or provide physical separation such along the North wall. The emphasis will be on flowering shrubs in simple colours.

Specimens

Botanical Name	Girth cm	Height cm	Specification
Amelanchier lamarckii	12-14	300-350	3x; HS; clear stem 175-200cm; 5 brks
Chimonobambusa marmorea		150-175	
Cornus Controversa 'Variegata'		150-175	
Cornus kousa chinensis	10-12	200-250	SS; clear stem 100- 125cm; 5 brks
Prunus 'Shirotae'	12-14	350-425	3x; HS; clear stem 175-200cm; 5 brks
Carpinus betulus		125-150	Pre-grown 'Ready- hedge'
Fatsia Japonica		125-150	Multi-stem



1.2. General Maintenance Specification

Maintenance objectives

- · Location: Roof gardens and access ways.
- Duration: Five years.
- Aims: Improved landscape visual amenity. Provide wildlife habitat and increase biodiversity.
- Restrictions: All works to be carried in an appropriate fashion for the daily running of an education and research establishment.
- Results: Adequate establishment in accordance with the scheme contract.

Notice

- Give notice before:
- Application of herbicide.
- Application of fertilizer.
- Watering.
- Each site maintenance visit.
- Period of notice: 7 days.

NOTE: Application of herbicides and fertilisers should be limited where practical to spot treatment or low intensity/ frequency.

Reinstatement (over the first 5 years for planting)

- Damage or disturbance to soil structure, planting, grass, fencing, hard landscaping, structures or buildings: Reinstate to 'original condition'.
- 'Original condition' extends to the species, diversity and where practicable, the age of habitats or species.
- The need for reinstatement should be reported and reference made to detailed planting plans as a matter of course to ensure a like-for-like reinstatement is facilitated. Where replacement trees and/ or shrubs are required these should be of comparable age to those lost or being replaced to maintain landscape and ecological value.
- Reinstated habitats should be subject to appropriate measures to ensure successful establishment and may include, but not be limited to, supplementary watering, exclusion fencing and additional monitoring.

Watering

- Supply: Potable mains water.
- Quantity: Wet full depth of topsoil.
- Application: Do not damage or loosen plants.
- Compacted soil: Loosen or scoop out, to direct water to rootzone.
- Frequency: As necessary for the continued thriving of all planting. To be checked weekly between Apr to Oct.

Disposal of arisings

- Unless specified otherwise, dispose of arisings as follows:
- Biodegradable arisings: Remove to recycling facility
- Shrub and tree prunings: Remove to recycling facility
- Litter and nonbiodegradable arisings: Remove from site.

Chipping or shredding

• Not permitted on site.

Mechanical equipment

- · General: Minimize.
- Prohibited equipment: None.
- Timing: Use of mechanical equipment allowed between the hours of 10:00 am and 4:00 pm only to the approval of University academic staff

Litter

 Extraneous rubbish not arising from the contract work: Collect and remove from site.

Cleanliness

- Soil and arisings: Remove from hard surfaces.
- Leave the works in a clean, tidy condition at completion and after any maintenance operations.

Snow Clearance

- Clearance: On reaching a depth of 5 mm
- Deicing: To footpaths
- Material: Rock salt to BS 3247
- Timing: When freezing precipitation is forecast
- Application rate: Spread evenly at a rate of as manufacturer's recommendations

Hard Surface and Greave Areas

• Herbicide: Apply a suitable foliar acting or residual herbicide. Allow recommended period for herbicide to take effect before clearing arisings.

- Hard surfaces: Remove litter, leaves and other debris.
- Surface gutters and channels: Remove mud, silt and debris.
- Drainage gullies: Empty traps and flush clean.
- Gravel areas: Rake over. Remove weeds, litter, leaves and debris, and level off.
- Repairs to flexible bituminous pavings: In accordance with the original paving specification or BS 7370-2, clause 4.12.
- Stain removal: In accordance with BS 7370-2, table 4.

For more maintenance details of flower beds, shrubs and trees, please refer to

Appendix I Performance Specification for Maintenance Works

2. 5 year Work Programme for Maintenance Works

Programme for Maintenance Works - UCL Gordon Street

To be read in conjunction with: Landscape Specification – Q35 Landscape Maint enance 031-51-0107-SP-L-00Q 35-XX

The site managers Health and Safety Plan

	Item Activity Timing																
	Item	Timing														Notes	
			Establishment Period													_	
				r One									Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	
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Gene	erally																
1.1	Site Inspections																Monthly by supervisor - any uncosted works identified in relation to
																	repairs, replacement and/or site improvement to be approved in writing
																	by client prior to implementation.
1.2	Maintenance Visits																Weekly visits to be allowed through April to October. Fortnightly from
																	November to March - to be carried out as required depending on
																	operations/ time of year - inspections to determine work programme.
																	Any amendments made to develop work programme to be approved b
																	client prior to implementation.
	Review of Maintenance Plan											_					Annually - notify client of any amendments required
1.4	Responses	To complaints			_	4	_										Respond to client within 24hrs of notification/ discovery24hrs
		To vandalism				-	-					_					Respond to client within 24hrs of notification/ discovery24hrs
		To health and safety incidents															Respond to client within 24hrs of notification/ discovery24hrs
Soft I	Landscaping																
	Generally																
2.1		Review all areas on each site visit															
2.2		Watering in drought periods															Allow for fornigthly visits throughout Years 1 to 5, except weekly
																	checking during growing season. Notify client when additional required
2.3		Weeding											As Year One				Allow for weekly visit during growing season of Year 1 & 2. Allow for
																	fornigthly visits throughout from Year 3.
2.4		Firming in following wind-rock															As required
2.5		Pest control															As required
2.6		Removal of arisings															Remove to recycling facility
2.7		Removal of litter															Max time between visits 2 weeks
	Shrubs						•						•	•	•		•
3.1		Removal of dead/ damaged plants and replacements															As required in Q35
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3.2		New shrub planting														Review	Avoid extreme cold temperatures. Once per year in autumn.
3.3		Weeding and Cultivating															As per Q35.500 / 645, every 2 weeks from April to Spetember
3.4		Pruning works														Review	As per Q35.540/545/555/575/580
3.5		Fertilizing															Slow release fertilisers be applied once during April or May
3.6		Remulching of shrub beds															Annually as per Q35.690 and maintain 75mm depth. Using Fine
																	Ornamental Grade Composted Pine Bark Mulch as Q28.155
	Flower Beds	T															
4.1		Dead-heading															Spring/early summer flowering species to be pruned mid May. Late
																	flowering species should be allowed to stand and provide winter food
																	source for birds to be cut right down in Febuary/March
4.1		Description of dead description	+			-				-						Bi	As a service of a
4.1		Removal of dead/ damaged planting														Review	As required as per Q35.620/635 to appropriate size and in the next
4.3		New planting			-	-						+				Review	available planting season. As required
4.4		Remulching of planting beds				+	-	+								As Year One	Annually as per Q35.690 and maintain 75mm depth. Using Fine
4.4		Remulching of planting beds														AS Tedi Offe	Ornamental Grade Composted Pine Bark Mulch as Q28.155
4.5		Lifting and Dividing												Review		Review	Once established, no sooner than Year 3 grasses and herbaceous
																	perennials can be lifted, divided and replanted to ensure growth vigour
																	and where necessary gap up planting beds
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5.1		Checking of staking/ guying															Inspect weekly and adjust as required
5.2		Removal of guards, stakes and ties												Review		Review	Remove during Spring when trees are fully anchored
5.3		Readjustment of ties															Inspect weekly and adjust as required
5.4		Arboricultural management works															As required and in line with BS3998
5.5		Removal of dead trees															As required and in line with BS3998 and Q35.305. Avoid bird nesting and
																	bat roosting periods between late March to early August otherwise
																	ecological checking surveys will be required. As per NBS Q35.635 to
																	appropriate size and in the next available planting season
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5.6		New/replacement tree planting															Q35.635 to appropriate size and in the next available planting season.
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5.7		Remulching to base															Annually as per Q35.690 and maintain 75mm depth. Using Fine Ornamental Grade Composted Pine Bark Mulch as Q28.155
5.8		Watering	+									-					Allow for fortnightly visits throughout establishment in Year 1 through
5.0		Watering															the growing season. Trees should be watered regularly through the
																	growing season of year 1 and year 2 as per Q31
5.9		Emergency tree work															As required and in line with BS:8516 - Recommendations for Tree
		,															Inspections. Planning consent and checking surveys may be required for
																	bird nests/ bat roosts.
5.10		Formative pruning															As per Q35.555/570. Avoid bird nesting and bat roosting periods
																	between late March to early August otherwise ecological checking
L												_					surveys will be required
5.11		Spot treatment on weeds														Review	As required through establishment period only as per Q35.645/650
Hard	Landscaping																
	Generally	Review all areas on each site visit															
6.2		Removal of litter															Max time between visits 2 weeks
6.3		Removal of leaf litter															As required, max time between visits 2 weeks
6.4		Removal of weeds															Max time between visits 2 weeks
6.5		Making good areas of subsidence	++			-		├	_	+						-	As required As required
	Paved surfaces	Repairs to damaged areas Removal of chewing gum															As required As required - refer to manufacturers recommendations
	Paved surraces																·
6.8		Removal of moss															As required - refer to manufacturers recommendations
6.9		Removal of grafitti/ staining															As required - refer to manufacturers recommendations
6.10		Re-pointing of joints															Checked in the site inspection, if re-pointing of joints required, report to
																	client within 24hrs, and carry out work within the agreed time as
																	required.
6.11		Treatment in frost				\perp		\sqcup		\perp							As required over winter using grit/ sand/ chemical as preferred by client.
Stree	t Furniture																
7.1	Generally	Review all items on each site visit															
	Seating	Removal of grafitti		-						+		-					As required and following advice from supplier
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		Repairs to seats															
7.4		Installation of new seating				1										1	As required - original design proposals to be consulted so that new
																1	seating placement does not compromise design concept/ intention/ access plans etc.
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7.5	Litter Bins	Emptying of bins															
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Q35 Landscape maintenance

To be read with Preliminaries/ General conditions.

GENERALLY

105 MAINTENANCE OBJECTIVES

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155A WATERING

- · Supply: Potable mains water.
- · Quantity: Wet full depth of topsoil .
- Application: Do not damage or loosen plants.
- Compacted soil: Loosen or scoop out, to direct water to rootzone.
- Frequency: As necessary for the continued thriving of all planting. To be checked weekly between Apr and Oct

160 WATER RESTRICTIONS

• General: If water supply is, or is likely to be, restricted by emergency legislation, submit proposals for an alternative suitable source of water. Obtain instructions before proceeding.

170 DISPOSAL OF ARISINGS

- General: Unless specified otherwise, dispose of arisings as follows:
 - Biodegradable arisings: Remove to recycling facility.
 - Grass cuttings: -.
 - Tree roots and stumps: -.
 - Shrub and tree prunings: Remove to recycling facility.
 - Litter and nonbiodegradable arisings: Remove from site.

180 CHIPPING OR SHREDDING

· General: Not permitted on site.

181 MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT

- · General: Minimize.
- · Prohibited equipment: -.
- Timing: Use of mechanical equipment allowed between the hours of 10:00 am and 4:00 pm only.

190 LITTER

• Extraneous rubbish not arising from the contract work: Collect and remove from site.

197 CLEANLINESS

- · Soil and arisings: Remove from hard surfaces.
- General: Leave the works in a clean, tidy condition at completion and after any maintenance operations.

FLOWER BEDS/ SEASONAL BEDDINGS

460 BEDS OF PERENNIALS OR PERENNIALS AND ANNUALS

- Plant supports: Stake and tie plants using -.
 - Length: -.
 - Maintain throughout the growing season.
- · Gaps in planting: Refill by replanting.
- Watering:
 - New plants: Before and after planting out.
 - Ongoing: As necessary for the continued thriving of all planting.
- · Operations at end of growing season:
 - Trim: Older flowering stems of herbaceous perennials.
 - Remove: Redundant plant supports, litter, debris and arisings.
 - Cultivate: Fork over the soil, taking care not to cause undue disturbance to plants.
 - Top dress: Apply -.

470 FLOWER BEDS GENERALLY

- · Operations:
 - Remove: Dead flower heads, fallen leaves, litter and debris.
 - Weeds: Thoroughly hand weed.
 - Cultivate: Lightly hoe.
 - Trim: Clip grass edges.
- Fungicide: -.
- · Insecticide: -.

SHRUBS/TREES/HEDGES

500A ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW PLANTING

- · Duration: Five years.
- · Weed control:
 - Method: Keep planting beds clear of weeds by hoeing and screefing.
 - Area: Maintain a weed free area around each tree and shrub, minimum 1m diameter or the surface of the original planting pit.
- Soil condition: Fork over beds to keep soil loose, with gentle cambers and no hollows. Do not reduce depth or effect of mulch.
- Watering: As necessary to achieve successful plant establishment.

515 TREE GUY WIRES

- Inspection/ Maintenance times: Immediately after strong winds.
- · Operations:
 - Replace or resecure loose or missing guy wires.
 - Adjust to suit stem growth and to provide correct and uniform tension.
- Removal: At the end of the maintenance period.

520 REFIRMING OF TREES AND SHRUBS

- Timing: After strong winds, frost heave and other disturbances.
- Refirming: Tread around the base until firmly bedded.
- Collars in soil at base of tree stems, created by tree movement: Break up by fork, avoiding damage to roots. Backfill with topsoil and refirm.

540 PRUNING GENERALLY

- Pruning: In accordance with good horticultural and arboricultural practice.
 - Removing branches: Do not damage or tear the stem or bark.
 - Wounds: Keep as small as possible and cut cleanly back to sound wood.
 - Cutting: Make cuts above and sloping away from an outward facing healthy bud, angled so that water will not collect on cut area.
 - Larger branches: Prune neither flush nor leaving a stub, but using the branch bark ridge or branch collar as a pruning guide.
- Appearance: Thin, trim and shape each specimen appropriately to species, location, season, and stage of growth, leaving a well balanced natural appearance.
- Tools: Use clean sharp secateurs, hand saws or other approved tools. Trim off ragged edges of bark or wood with a sharp knife.
- Disease or infection: Give notice if detected.
- Growth retardants, fungicide or pruning sealant: Do not use unless instructed.

545 PRUNING OF EXCESSIVE OVERHANG

- Timing: Annually.
- Operations: Remove growth encroaching onto grassed areas, paths, roads, signs, sightlines and road lighting luminaires.
- Special requirements: Allow ground cover plants to partially overlap paths and lawns.

555 PRUNING TREES AND SHRUBS

- Standard: To BS 7370-4.
- · Special requirements: None.

570 FORMATIVE PRUNING OF YOUNG TREES

- Standard: Type and timing of pruning operations to suit the plant species.
- Time of year: Do not prune during the late winter/ early spring sap flow period.
- Young trees up to 4 m high:
 - Crown prune by removing dead branches and reducing selected side branches by one third to preserve a well balanced head and ensure the development of a single strong leader.
 - Remove duplicated branches and potentially weak or tight forks. In each case cut back to live wood.
- · Whips or feathered trees: Do not prune.
- Operatives: Member of the Arboricultural Association.

575 PRUNING ORNAMENTAL SHRUBS

- General: Prune to encourage healthy and bushy growth and desirable ornamental features, e.g. flowers, fruit, autumn colour, stem colour.
- Suckers: Remove by cutting back level with the source stem or root.

580 PRUNING FLOWERING SPECIES OF SHRUBS AND ROSES

- · Time of year:
 - Winter flowering shrubs: Spring.
 - Shrubs flowering between March and July: Immediately after the flowering period.
 - Shrubs flowering between July and October: Back to old wood in winter.
 - Rose bushes: Early spring to encourage basal growths and a balanced, compact habit.

600 TRIMMING RAPIDLY ESTABLISHING HEDGES

- General: Allow to reach planned height as rapidly as possible.
 - Form: Trim back lateral branches moderately.

611 TRIMMING NONTAPERING ESTABLISHED HEDGES

- · Time of year: Regular trimming from June to September.
- · Operations:
 - Form: Trim carefully and neatly to regular line and shape with vertical sides.
 - Trim: Remove current growth rather than old wood.
- Tools/ Cutting: Suitable mechanical cutters.

620 REMOVAL OF DEAD PLANT MATERIAL

• Operations: At the end of the growing season, check all shrubs and remove all dead foliage, dead wood, and broken or damaged branches and stems.

635 REINSTATEMENT OF SHRUB/ HERBACEOUS AREAS

- Dead and damaged plants: Remove.
- Mulch/ matting materials:
 - Carefully move to one side and dig over the soil, leaving it fit for replanting.
- - Do not disturb roots of adjacent plants.
- · Replacement plants:
 - Use pits and plants: To original specification or to match the size of adjacent or nearby plants of the same species, whichever is the greater.
 - Additional requirements: None.
- Dressing: Slow release fertilizer:
 - Type: -.
 - Application rate: -.

645 WEED CONTROL GENERALLY

- Weed tolerance: Weed to clear ground every two weeks from April through to September.
- Adjacent plants, trees and grass: Do not damage.

650 HAND WEEDING

- · General: Remove weeds entirely, including roots.
- Disturbance: Remove the minimum quantity of soil, and disturb plants, bulbs and mulched surfaces as little as possible.
- Completion: Rake area to a neat, clean condition.
- · Mulch: Reinstate to original depth.

657 HERBICIDE TO KILL REGROWTH

- Type: Suitable foliar acting herbicide to kill regrowth.
- Timing: Allow recommended period for herbicide to take effect before clearing dead weeds.

680 SOIL AERATION

- · Compacted soil surfaces:
 - Prick up: To aerate the soil of root areas and break surface crust.
 - Size of lumps: Reduce to crumb and level off.
 - Damage: Do not damage plants and their roots.

685 SOIL LEVEL ADJUSTMENT

- Level of soil/mulch at edges of beds: Reduce to 50 mm below adjacent grass or hard surface.
 - Arisings (if any): Spread evenly over the bed.

690A MAINTENANCE OF LOOSE MULCH

- Thickness (minimum): 75 mm.
 - Top up: Annually.
 - Type: Fine Ornamental Grade Composted Pine Bark Mulch as Q28.155
- Mulch spill on adjacent areas: Remove weeds and rubbish and return to planted area.
- Weeding: Remove weeds growing on or in mulch by hand weeding.

695 FERTILIZING ESTABLISHED TREES AND SHRUBS

- Time of year: During April or May.
- · Type of fertilizer: Slow release.
- Application: Spread evenly.
 - Rate: As manufacturer's recommendations.

700 SNOW REMOVAL FROM SHRUBS/ TREES

- Standard: To BS 7370-4.
- Plants subject to snow removal: All evergreens.
- · Timing: Within 24 hours of snowfall.

705 WINTER LEAF REMOVAL

- Operations: Take down temporary leaf fences. Collect accumulations of drifted leaves from the vicinity and from planting beds.
- · Arisings: Remove to recycling facility.

TREE WORK

810 TREE WORK GENERALLY

- Identification: Before starting work agree which trees, shrubs and hedges are to be removed or pruned.
- · Protection: Avoid damage to neighbouring trees, plants and property.
- Standards: To BS 3998 and Health & Safety Executive (HSE) 'Forestry and arboriculture safety leaflets'.
- Removing branches: Cut as Arboricultural Association Leaflet 'Mature tree management'.
 Cut vertical branches similarly, with no more slope on the cut surface than is necessary to shed rainwater.
- Appearance: Leave trees with a well balanced natural appearance.
- · Chain saw work: Operatives must hold a Certificate of Competence.
- Tree work: To be carried out by an approved member of the Arboricultural Association.

815 ADDITIONAL WORK

 Defective, diseased, unsafe or weak parts of trees additional to those scheduled for attention: Give notice if detected.

820 PREVENTION OF WOUND BLEEDING

• Standard: To BS 3998, clause 8.

825 PREVENTION OF DISEASE TRANSMISSION

• Standard: To BS 3998, clause 9 and Appendix B.

830 CLEANING OUT AND DEADWOODING

- · Remove:
 - Dead, dying, or diseased wood, broken branches and stubs.
 - Fungal growths and fruiting bodies.
 - Rubbish, wind blown or accumulated in branch forks.
 - Wires, clamps, boards and metal objects, if removable without causing further damage and not part of a support structure that is to be retained.
 - Other unwanted objects, e.g. tree houses, swings.
 - Climbing plants -.

835 CUTTING AND PRUNING GENERALLY

- · Tools: Appropriate, well maintained and sharp.
- · Final pruning cuts:
 - Chainsaws: Do not use on branches of less than 50 mm diameter.
 - Hand saws: Form a smooth cut surface.
 - Anvil type secateurs: Do not use.
- Removing branches: Do not damage or tear the stem.
- Wounds: Keep as small as possible, cut cleanly back to sound wood leaving a smooth surface, and angled so that water will not collect on the cut area.
- Cutting: Cut at a fork or at the main stem to avoid stumps wherever possible. Large branches: Remove only if unavoidable.
 - Remove in small sections and lower to ground with ropes and slings.
- Dead branches and stubs: When removing, do not cut into live wood.
- Unsafe branches: Remove epicormic shoots and potentially weak forks that could fail in adverse weather conditions.
- Disease or fungus: Give notice if detected. Do not apply fungicide or sealant unless instructed.

855 CUTTING TREE ROOTS

- · Excavating: Use hand tools only.
- Protected area: Do not cut roots within an area which is the larger of:
 - The branch spread of the tree.
 - An area with a radius of half the tree's height, measured from the trunk.
- Outside protected area: Give notice of roots exceeding 50 mm in diameter. Do not cut without approval.
- · Cutting:
 - Cutting: Make clean smooth cuts with a hand saw.
 - Wounds: Minimize. Avoid ragged edges.
 - Finishing: Pare cut surfaces smooth with a sharp knife.
- · Backfilling:
 - Protection: Cover cut roots with clean sharp sand.
 - Material: Backfill with original topsoil.

865 BARK DAMAGE

- · Wounds:
 - Do not attempt to stop sap bleeding.
 - Bark: Remove ragged edges using a sharp knife.
 - Wood: Remove splintered wood from deep wounds.
 - Size: Keep wounds as small as possible.
- · Liquid or flux oozing from apparently healthy bark: Give notice.

HARD LANDSCAPE AREAS/FENCING

900 SNOW CLEARANCE

- · Clearance: On reaching a depth of 5 mm.
- · Deicing: To footpaths.
 - Material: Rock salt to BS 3247.
 - Timing: When freezing precipitation is forecast.
 - Application rate: Spread evenly at a rate of As manufacturer's recommendations.

910 HARD SURFACES AND GRAVEL AREAS

- Herbicide: Apply a suitable foliar acting or residual herbicide. Allow recommended period for herbicide to take effect before clearing arisings.
- · Hard surfaces: Remove litter, leaves and other debris.
- Surface gutters and channels: Remove mud. silt and debris.
- · Drainage gullies: Empty traps and flush clean.
- · Gravel areas: Rake over. Remove weeds, litter, leaves and debris, and level off.
- Repairs to flexible bituminous pavings: In accordance with the original paving specification or BS 7370-2, clause 4.12.
- Stain removal: In accordance with BS 7370-2, table 4.

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