



When a tree application may be refused:

Council may not consent to the following:

- i. work on trees without owners' or owners' agent's signature on the application
- ii. removing trees for solar access, leaf, fruit or sap drop, bird or bat droppings, and damage to sewer pipes and built structures (unless all engineering alternatives have been considered)
- iii. removing trees that are healthy and stable
- iv. removing or pruning trees for views
- v. pruning trees in a manner contrary to the Australian Standard AS4373 Pruning of Amenity Trees
- vi. pruning work that is outside the tolerance of particular species, for example figs pruned by more than twenty per cent are more susceptible to sunburn
- vii. tree work for emotive reasons, beyond the scope of the possible reasons given above
- viii. removing trees because they inhibit grass or garden growth
- ix. removing trees because of causing allergies, unless the tree can be medically linked to the allergy
- x. work which will seriously disfigure or unbalance the tree
- xi. work which will alter soil levels within the drip line of a tree
- xii. removing trees because they cause damage to minor ancillary structures such as footpaths and driveways
- xiii. requests to reduce the height of trees
- xiv. pruning to reduce the size of a tree listed on the Register of Significant Trees.