

**14.a** Removal of protective fencing

When construction works have been completed, and the site machinery has been removed the protective fencing can be taken down. This should be undertaken with care ensuring heavy machinery is not used.

When works have been completed it may be necessary to carry out de-compaction around some trees. This should be carried out with a manually operated machine to avoid further disturbance.

**14.b** Post construction remedial work to trees

Even though trees to be retained have been protected as recommended, direct damage can still occur. Alternatively it may not have been possible to detect the weakened condition of a tree prior to development and the change in the environment could cause indirect damage and accelerate decline of the tree.

The development of any site should not be considered complete until all the trees have been re-examined by a specialist with experience in the detection of early signs of declining tree health. Any remedial work necessary to ensure the health of the tree should be implemented before work is completed

At this late stage in the development, the safety of people and property in the vicinity of trees should be paramount when making decisions about retention and treatment of trees.

**14.c** Completion meeting

On completion of all the works, a site meeting should be arranged with the developer's Arboricultural Consultant and the Local Authority Tree Officer to discuss any further works that may be required.