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Important Issues in Urban Planning:

Urban Vegetation

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Connecting Londoners with Trees and Woodlands
A Tree and Woodland Framework for London



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**In cities world-wide new
tree planting is almost
always dictated by human
development**

Existing or Proposed











In London the main limiting factors for achieving tree planting are:

- Development (in all its forms)
- Building Subsidence (movement)
- Climate Change

April 2009

A new plan for London Proposals for the Mayor's London Plan

(the Spatial Development Strategy for Greater London)
published for initial consultation with the London Assembly and the GLA Group



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August 2008

The London climate change adaptation strategy

Summary draft report



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So What's the Problem?



Trees in Towns II

A new survey of urban trees in England and their condition and management

Chris Britt & Mark Johnston

Research for Amenity Trees No. 9



Chainsaw massacre

A review of London's street trees

May 2007



**So how is our policy
implementation?**



















www.defra.gov.uk

An introductory guide to valuing ecosystem services



The Trees and Design Action Group.

**The group has produced guidance
on tree valuation and trees in
development.**

Available at:

www.forestry.gov.uk/tdag

Borough Tree & Woodland Strategies

**Published by Greater London Authority under
The London Tree and Woodland Framework as Best Practice
Guidance.**

**Guidance for Local Authorities on Producing a
Comprehensive Tree & Woodland Strategy**

Vital Issues for Green Infrastructure

- Air Space**
- Rooting Space**
- Nutrients**
- Water**
- Valuation**

London Tree and Woodland Framework:

“Right Place, Right Tree”

Increase London’s tree canopy cover in our streets and on new development sites through ensuring that, in respect of climate change, not only is the right tree planted in the right place but that the right places are designed and built to accommodate the right tree for the location.

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Thank you for Listening

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