

Early tree care

The first 18 months is crucial in the establishment success. Installing tree guards, mulching and follow up watering will ensure a good start to a robust tree with a strong root system.

Mulching

The use of mulch reduces weed competition, improves root growth and aids in moisture retention. Mulch should be used for a minimum of 2 years after planting and should be no more than 100mm thick and over 600mm in a circular area.

Water

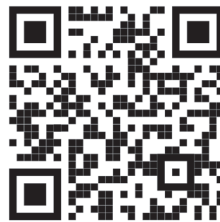
Watering is dependant on species and weather conditions. Regular monitoring is important but in most cases a deep watering once a month is sufficient.

Tree guards

Tree stock benefit from a 600mm corflute tree guard. It is an effective way to protect the tube stock in the first years.



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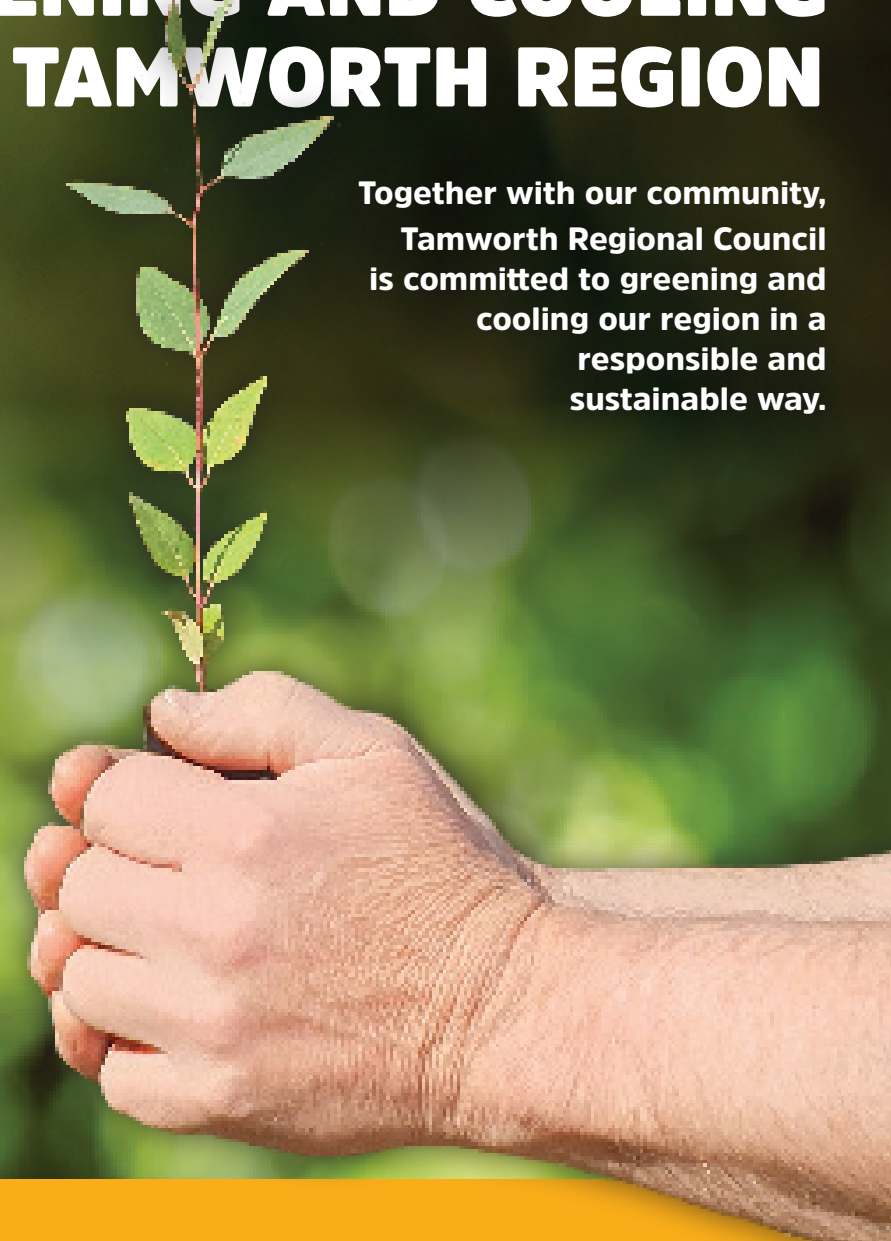


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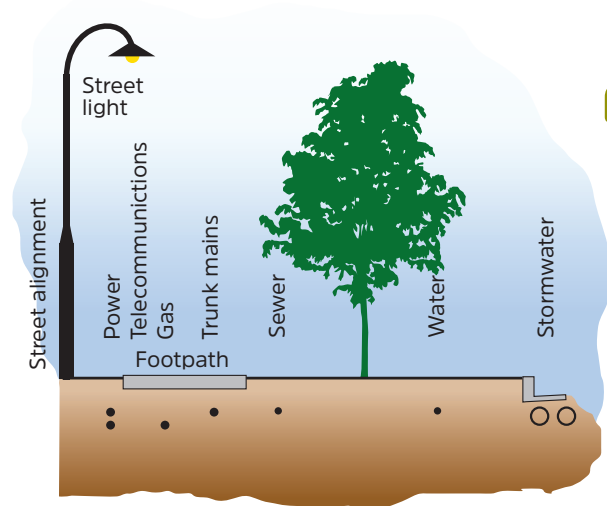
We aim to substantially increase the canopy coverage in urban areas across the Tamworth region to 40% by 2040

Maintaining and increasing green spaces and streetscapes increases the appeal and liveability of urban spaces by decreasing temperatures during summer months and providing habitat, health and well being benefits.

The following key tips are provided to assist you in ensuring your new planting will become a tree for the future.

Tree location

Before selecting your tree species, careful consideration needs to be given to where you are going to plant it. Powerlines, footpaths and underground services are the most common pieces of infrastructure that trees can impact. With good planning you can avoid these and allow your tree the best opportunity to thrive. For further information, contact Council on 6767 5555.



“ **The right tree, planted at the right time, at the right location, leads to the right result.** ”

Tree species selection

The Tamworth Region has a unique harsh climatic variation that makes tree establishment extremely challenging. With a range of -4 to 44 degrees Celsius our tree selection has to be hardy to thrive in these conditions. TRC provides a broad list of recommended native and exotic trees that once established, can tolerate these variations. Please refer to www.tamworth.nsw.gov.au/trees to view this list.

Greening success is not only dependent on species selection but also correct planting time. It is also proven healthier, robust trees are a result of planting smaller stock, which as young trees are more adaptable and likely to thrive.

Tubestock is commonly used with native trees to attain superior results. Native species are best planted in Autumn or Spring, depending on the frost tolerance of the respective species.

Deciduous trees come either bare rooted or potted up. The best time to plant bare rooted stock in our region is in July, while potted deciduous trees are best planted in Autumn.

For a complete list of recommended species scan the QR code on the next page.

Preparation for planting

Prepare a square hole (600mm wide x 400-600mm deep). Fill the hole with water in the week leading up to planting to provide a deep water source for your new plant.

The hole should be dished to prevent water running away from the plant.

