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8.0 TREES

The village is situated on the edge of the old Needwood Forest.

There are a number of mature trees on the steep north-west slope of the hill beneath the castle walls. These trees are made up of sycamore, ash, lime and a few beech trees. Between these trees are many examples of elder, hawthorn and hazel, many of them spread naturally by the local bird population.

Adjacent to the Cricket Club, on the former Mill site, there are a number of poplar trees.



8.0.1 Poplars at Tutbury Mill Site

The same area also supports a number of horse chestnut trees. The blossom from these trees presents a good late spring show when approaching the nearby bridge over the river Dove.

On the approach to the Burton Street / by - pass junction there is a small stand of trees. This stand includes a number of pine trees which indicate a certain amount of acidity in the soil.

On the other side of the village at the junction with Redhill Lane and Castle Hayes Park there is a small stand of oak and pine trees. There are a number of mature field boundary oaks spread throughout the fields immediately adjoining the village. These are particularly evident on the western side of the village.

There are significant numbers of larch trees along the whole length of the Mill Fleam, from the weir on the river Dove to the point where the fleam passes under Bridge Street. This same stretch of very slow moving water also supports a number of willow trees.

In addition to these established areas of trees and woodlands, in recent years, The Civic Society (helped by local school children) has planted a small wood near the junction of Belmot Road and Redhill Lane.

The wood was planted to commemorate the Queen's Golden Jubilee and comprises over two hundred mixed trees including oak, hawthorn, mountain ash and ornamental cherry.



8.0.2 Jubilee Wood planted by Tutbury Civic Society and local school children

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Design Comment

For the most part, the village tree landscape is created by trees found in the gardens of individual householders.

It will be important for future generations that the existing tree landscape is protected from unnecessary damage.

Developers should be encouraged to protect existing trees.

New developments will be required to be submitted with landscaping schemes

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