



Dear Resident,

A street tree was planted next to your property. With care, your tree will flourish and help beautify your neighbourhood for years to come. Here are some tips to help promote your tree's health.

What you can do for your tree:

- **WATERING:** Water the soil around the base of the tree thoroughly with a soaker hose at least once a week. In dry times of the summer it may be necessary to water more frequently. Provide approximately 25-30 litres (6-8 gallons) of water when watering. Do not water the tree everyday as this will cause the roots to drown, bark to rot and leaves to turn yellow and fall. Roots need air to breathe.
- **MULCH:** Retain the woodchip mulch in a saucer shape around the base of the tree (no more than 5cm from the point where the trunk meets the soil). Mulch helps moderate the temperature and moisture of the soil, reduces weed growth, and provides the tree with nutrients.
- Do not add soil, build concrete, brick or wood planters around the tree as this impacts root growth.
- Do not prune the tree. Improper pruning can leave wounds that significantly increase the susceptibility of your tree to disease.

Please contact Parks and Landscape Department of the City of Cornwall with any questions or concerns, 613-930-2787 ext. 2264.