



DRAINAGE

The drain is the single most important part of any tree pit. When considering tree pit drainage the best approach is to find a reason for taking it out rather than a reason for putting it in.

A further problem can occur on development sites where soil stabilisation is used to create an engineered surface for construction purposes. Usually cement or lime is incorporated by machinery to build up a surface with a known loading performance.

If this is subsequently excavated for landscaping a layer or number of layers of perched water tables can be exposed. These may only be transitory, however they will drain down into any void (tree pit) during the first twelve months that may be excavated. Installing drains at the outset is a priority.



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