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When Will My Repairs Be Carried Out?

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**Broxtowe Borough Council**  
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# Fences and Boundaries

Most of our properties have a garden or communal area which has a boundary marked by a fence or hedge.



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# Fences and boundaries

## RESPONSIBILITY FOR BOUNDARIES

The responsibility for fencing and boundaries within your garden is as follows: -



### HEDGES, TREES, WHICH FORM A BOUNDARY

You are responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the garden and plants within the garden. You are therefore responsible for a boundary, which is marked by a hedge or planting

If you are unable to maintain your garden due to your age or disability please contact Tenancy and Estate Management on 0115 917 7777.

## FENCING, WHICH FORMS A BOUNDARY

If you have erected the fencing, you are responsible for its maintenance and upkeep. If the council have erected it or it was there when your tenancy commenced and you did not sign to accept responsibility for it, the council are responsible for it.

## WHAT ARE BROXTOWE BOROUGH COUNCIL'S RESPONSIBILITIES?

We are only responsible for defining where the boundary line is. We are not responsible for the provision of security within your garden area.



Therefore, there may be times when the fence is considered to be beyond economical repair and in these instances, we will not replace the fence like for like. We may only erect concrete posts and chainlink fencing.



There are times when we identify that the fence is not in our ownership but the responsibility of a neighbouring property. If this is the case, we will contact them and ask them to carry out the necessary repairs.

If you wish to erect your own fencing, please refer to the leaflet "Improvements and Alterations" for guidance.

## HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO REPAIR?

Repairs to fencing are classed as being non-urgent and are therefore usually given a low priority.

This will however be changed if the fencing is considered to be in a dangerous condition.