

Good Morning,

You may recall seeing an email sent to you in April of this year from Carolyn Mackenzie, SCC's Director of Environment. The email described a Forestry Commission Treescaping funding bid that Surrey County Council had submitted to enable tree planting working with Boroughs, Districts, Schools and yourselves at Parish Councils.

We are delighted to say that we were successful in this bid in and were granted these funds to enable us to schedule tree planting for this planting season between now and March 2022.

Aligned with our [Tree strategy](#), we would very much like to enable you to undertake some tree planting in your parishes and have allocated 110 trees to donate to each of our 87 Parish Councils. These trees are a mix of 100 whips (single stemmed small trees measuring about 40 cm) ideal for creating a small copse or hedgerow, and 10 standards (Approximately 1.5m in width and 2.0m in height) ideal for more formal park settings. All the above are native mixed broadleaf which we would love to donate to you and support you, to ensure these trees thrive to their maturity.

We believe that with the climate awareness generated from COP 26, there will be strong engagement from families and interested community groups to be involved in the planting and vital aftercare and watering. Full guidance of how to plant and maintain these trees will be provided. Additionally, we will share how this planting can be recorded as part of [The Queen's Green Canopy](#) planting initiative, to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee.

With the planting season upon us please respond to this email if you would like to receive these free trees, to enable planting in your parishes to support our greener future. Please do reply as soon as you are able if this is something you would like to partake in. We would be keen to hear from you before the end of November, if possible, with expressions of interest and details of your planting locations.

If you need more information or have questions, please do get in touch as we would be delighted to work with you on this green initiative,

Kind Regards,

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