

Everyone's got a tree planting plan – how to manage them

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The challenge of creating a new woodland



The UKFS applies to all UK forests. The term forest is used to describe land predominately covered in trees (defined as land under stands of trees with a canopy cover of at least 20%).

It includes woods, copses, spinneys and shelterbelts.

Forestry Commission is the responsible authority for administering the Environmental Impact Assessment (Forestry) (England and Wales) Regulations 1999.

These cover woodland creation and deforestation.

Woodland creation schemes smaller than 0.5 hectares in size are exempt but any woodland creation in the last 5 years within 500m of your scheme must be included.

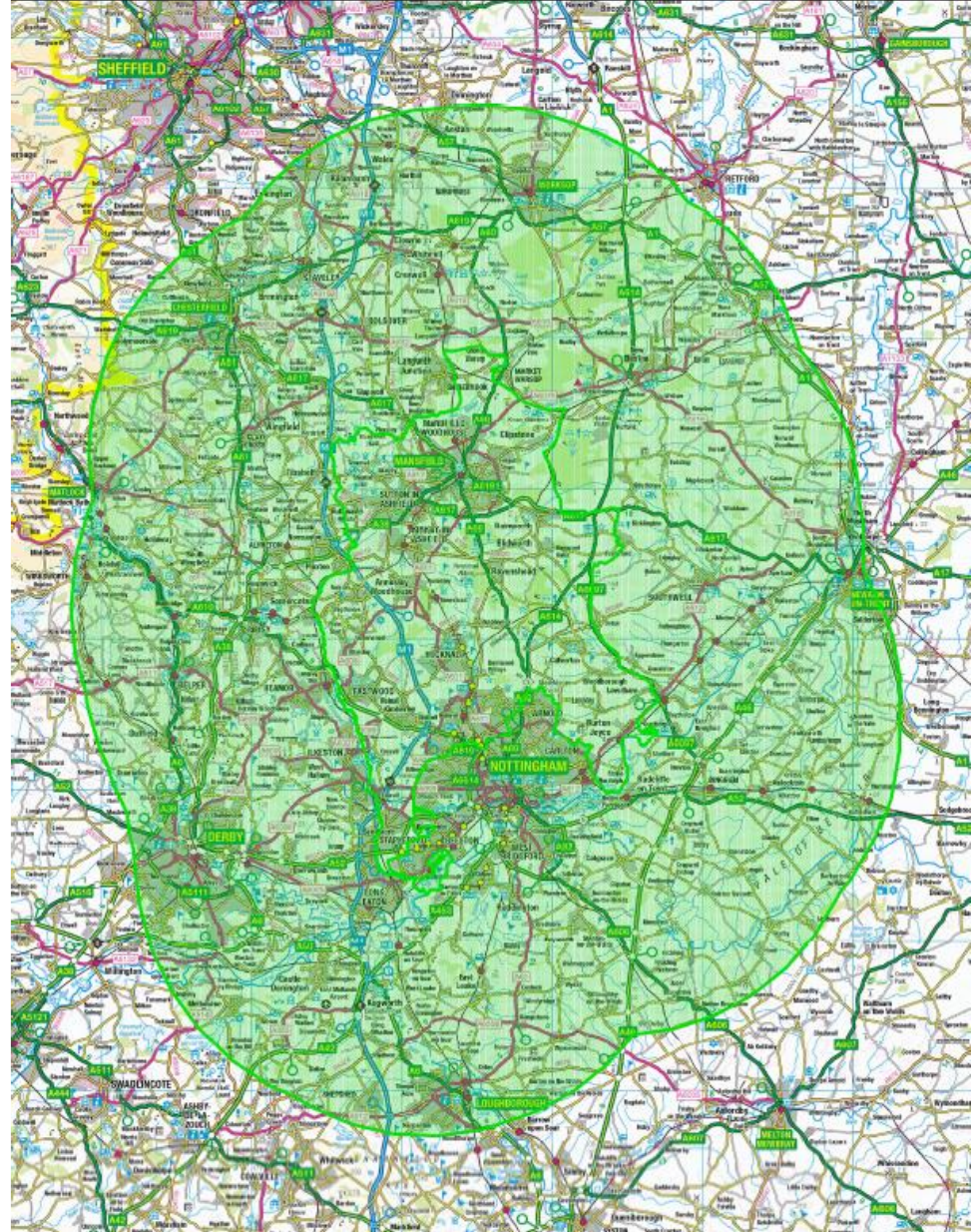
Trees for Climate

- Funded by DEFRA through England's Community Forests
- Part of the Government's Nature for Climate funding
- Greenwood Community Forest will create 250ha of new woodland in Nottinghamshire by 2025, as part of overall programme of 6030ha
- Greenwood Community Forest is hosted by Nottinghamshire County Council
- Trees for Climate could contribute significantly towards Nottinghamshire County Council's ambition to plant 250,000 trees by 2027

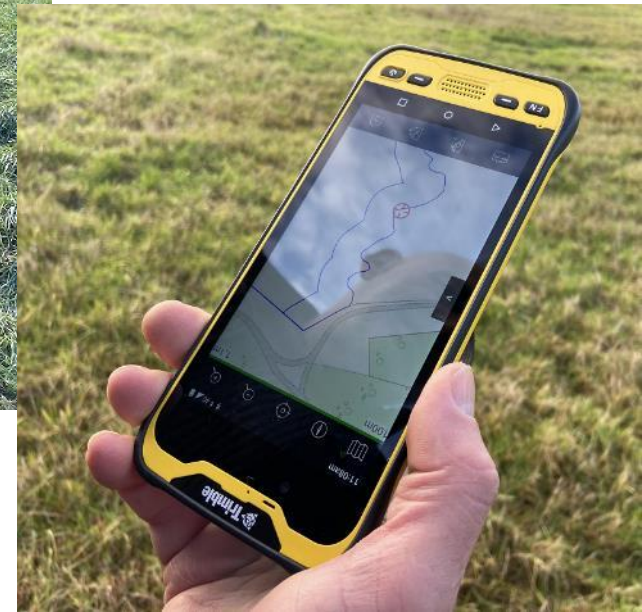


Greenwood

Nottinghamshire's Community Forest bringing Sherwood Forest to your doorstep



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(Almost all of) the team plus essential kit



Year 1 scheme
– Bentinck
(Green Spaces
site)



Establishment of
a new 4.9ha
woodland.
Over 4400 trees
planted.



Bestwood

Just over 30ha of let grazing land on former pit tip adjacent to Country Park
Public consultation resulted in large increase of planned open space to 38.5%



Preparing the site – screefing, ripping, marking out



Do we need to protect the trees?



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Who plants...?



...and who maintains?



Apparently not everyone likes trees (or fences)...



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Sources of funding

Trees for Climate - England's Community Forest

- if you are within a Community Forest (or a 10-mile buffer around it)
- provides advice, up to 100% of costs and delivery of tree planting schemes
- schemes of 0.1ha and above, including hedgerows with trees, orchards, wood pasture and broad-leaved woodland
- can also provide up to 15 years of maintenance payments
- [Trees for Climate — England's Community Forests \(englandscommunityforests.org.uk\)](https://englandscommunityforests.org.uk)
- [Helping Greenwood to Grow \(greenwoodforest.org.uk\)](https://greenwoodforest.org.uk)

England Woodland Creation Offer - Forestry Commission

- nationwide scheme
- up to 100% of standard costs to establish new woodland of 1ha and above
- 10 years annual maintenance payments
- [England Woodland Creation Offer - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

Also can offer **Woodland Creation Planning Grant** to cover the costs of producing a UKFS compliant design plan [Woodland Creation Planning Grant - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

Local Authority Treescapes Fund

- competitive bids of £50,000 - £300,000
- round 3 currently open
- planting and natural colonisation in areas outside of woodlands
- [Local Authority Treescapes Fund - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk)

Urban Tree Challenge Fund

- 80% of standard costs for planting and establishment of trees un urban and peri-urban areas
- requires match-funding of remaining 20% (cash or labour)
- minimum application value of £10,000
- [Urban Tree Challenge Fund - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk)

MOREwoods – Woodland Trust

- provides advice and up to 75% of costs
- for woodland creation schemes of at least 0.5ha (can be multiple blocks of > 0.1ha)
- 1000 – 1600 trees per hectare
- [Plant Trees on Your Land with MOREwoods - Woodland Trust](http://www.woodlandtrust.co.uk)

Trees for Water – Severn Trent Water

- supplies trees and sundries
- offers advice and delivery
- 35-year maintenance and support package
- [Trees for Water | Regenerative pathway package | Working with farmers and land managers | Environment | About Us | Severn Trent Water \(stwater.co.uk\)](#)

Forestry England Woodland Partnership

- long-term (60 - 120 year) leases of sites suitable for woodland creation of >50ha
- FE undertakes design, planting and maintenance and provides public access
- guaranteed annual rent (dependent on quality of land and requirement for carbon credits)
- [Woodland creation | Forestry England](#)



It's not just about the carbon

- nature recovery
- natural flood risk management
- water quality
- riparian buffers
- being close to settlements
- providing recreational access
- ammonia capture

- food



Looking after existing woodlands (and planning for future management)





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