

# Adopt a Tree IN SEVENOAKS

A unique gift to celebrate a special birthday or anniversary or to remember a loved one.



# WHY ADOPT A TREE?

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- Trees benefit the local environment
- Help improve air quality
- Provide homes for wildlife
- Food for insects
- Are visually attractive

# WHERE CAN THE TREES BE PLANTED?

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- Bat & Ball Centre
- Britains Common
- The Green Hillingdon Rise
- Judds Piece
- Littlewood
- Raleys Field & Knole Paddock
- Sevenoaks Common
- White Hart Beeches
- Woodside Road Open Space
- Greatness Park Cemetery
- Greatness Recreation Ground
- Hillingdon Play Area
- Julians Meadow
- Mount Close Open Space
- Pontoise Close Open Space
- Allotment Sites

These areas vary in size and many of the trees to be planted would be understorey trees and hedgerow bushes, but all of them would be extremely beneficial to the local environment.

## CAN I PLANT THE TREE MYSELF?

If your tree is going to be planted in a Town Council park or open space, then you can come along and help with the planting.

If your tree is going to be on a roadside verge, unfortunately you will not be able to help as safety guidelines must be followed when working on a public highway.

## THE COST

Your tree can be planted at one of our parks and following the planting, you will receive a certificate with a picture of the newly planted tree and a plan showing its location. If you would like to be in the photo, this can be arranged. Individual plaques are not provided, but if you would like to provide your own, we can attach it to the stake.

Standard tree = £115 (10/12cm bare root wrapped tree).

This price includes purchase of the tree, digging a hole for its roots, adding compost, installing an irrigation pipe, backfilling, mulching and staking.

## THE CHOICE OF TREE

It is important that the right tree is chosen for the right location to enhance its chance of flourishing. Native species will be chosen for the most part with an emphasis on fruit and nut trees. You are encouraged to water and nurture your tree and watch it grow over the years.

## PLANTING

The best months for planting trees are December and January.

So that we can plant new trees during this time, our deadline for applications is 30<sup>th</sup> September. This gives us enough time to order the trees, agree and mark the final locations and organise planting.

Once the tree is planted, Sevenoaks Town Council will be responsible for maintaining the tree. Please be aware that we cannot guarantee the lifetime of the tree, and we will be unable to replace any trees which do not establish themselves.

If the tree is near your home, you can increase its chances of survival by giving it water during periods of drought and hot weather.



# TREE ADOPTION INTEREST FORM

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Please complete the form below:

Name: .....

Address: .....

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Email: .....

Tel: .....

Preferred location: .....

Preferred tree: .....

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