

Trees Call to Action Project (TCAP)



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Enabling people to plant more trees





The Trees Call to Action Project is helping to plant woodland across your local area. If you're interested in planting and caring for trees, then we want to hear from you. You can join our volunteering opportunities, and we can offer one-to-one support, knowledge, and expertise to help you design your tree-planting plans.



Why plant trees?

- Increase biodiversity
- Increased pollination for crops
- Lock up carbon - Climate Emergency
- Cleaner air and water quality
- Flood defence
- Places for people
- Potential income generation
- Shade for livestock



National Policy

- Lawton Review (2010): England's collection of wildlife areas fragmented & not resilient to pressures.
- 25 Year Environment Plan (2018): “By creating new habitats, including planting more trees, we can arrest the decline in native species & improve our biodiversity”. Aiming for 12% tree cover by 2060.
- England Trees Action Plan 2021 – 2024
 - Treble tree planting rates
 - Requires 30,000ha/year
 - Expand & connect woodlands

How can we help?

- Engaging communities through information sharing about planting and tree maintenance – e.g. parish meetings.
- Consulting about the relevant grant funding available to your planting projects.
- Hosting volunteering events and offering a way to learn skills.
- Make tree planting simple for as many people as possible to get involved.



How can you help?

Help us identify land: We are looking for areas of land to plant trees on:

- **Small scale:** Community sites, school grounds, small holdings, old orchards, old hedgerows
- **Large scale:** Larger community spaces, private estates, farms (low grade land only)

These could also be lots of small spaces on a larger site, unused corners or edges of a site.

Planting the **right tree in the right place for the right reason** is really important to us.



Getting involved

We will also need people to help plant and care for our trees

- Individuals – Family and friends
- Groups - Community groups, Scouts, Guides, other clubs
- Corporate teams – Team building days, Corporate Social Responsibility
- Schools – Primary, secondary, university, home educators





Support and advice for tree planting

- Forestry Commission
 - Grants for large scale projects
- Woodland Trust
 - Free Trees
 - Carbon credits scheme
- TCV
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- District Councils
 - Support through TCAF project for some tree planting schemes
- The Heart of England Forest
 - Advice & training on tree planting and demonstration sites

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