

Terms and Conditions

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Application

1. Each parish or town council in South Cambridgeshire can apply once per year to the Six Free Trees Scheme.
2. Parish and town councils can apply on behalf of a South Cambridgeshire school if the trees are to be planted on school-owned land.
3. Trees from the Six Free Trees Scheme are not intended for replacing dead trees.

Tree planting location

1. Trees must be planted on South Cambridgeshire parish or town council land, or on land owned by a South Cambridgeshire school. Trees supplied through the scheme are not intended for private gardens.
2. If there is no suitable location on parish or town council land or land owned by a South Cambridgeshire school, other publicly accessible locations can be considered with written permission from the landowners and parish council and subject to permission from the Six Free Trees scheme manager.

Planting

1. Parish and town councils are responsible for planting and caring for the trees to a satisfactory standard, to ensure the tree(s) survive through the first three years.
2. Trees will be supplied with basic ties and guards, as well as a biodegradable mulch mat; applicants are responsible for any additional protection needed to ensure the health of the tree(s).
3. It is highly recommended to mulch around your new trees to retain soil moisture and help the roots establish in the first three years.

Monitoring

1. The applicant shall monitor tree health by conducting a visual check of the foliage, branch, bark and roots periodically (i.e. bi-weekly) to determine whether the tree is alive and whether any intervention is needed to maintain or restore tree health.
2. The applicant shall retain monitoring information and provide it upon request to SCDC for data collection and analysis. Tree recipients will be contacted one year following the scheme for an update on the survival of the tree(s).

Publicity and Acknowledgement

1. Participants shall send a photo of their planted tree(s) to climateandenvironment@scambs.gov.uk and give photo consent for South Cambridgeshire District Council to use these photos for promotional purposes.