

Tree Planting Fund

valid at 2018



Trees make an essential contribution to the quality of the Conservation Area and the Oxton Society has a commitment to promote and protect them. The Society also encourages the planting of trees.

To promote tree planting the Society's Executive Committee has established a fund to pay for the sourcing and planting of trees on members' properties in the Conservation Area. The trees chosen for Tree Fund support will be those that will attain a significant stature to contribute to the treescape for future generations. As a result they will need to be planted in a location that is prominent when viewed from a place where the public has access. More than one tree on a single property can be funded.

The fund is open to members of The Society of any category (individual, household, or corporate). The proposal must be discussed in advance with a representative of the Society's Tree Group who will make a recommendation to the Group. The Executive Committee's approval of the proposal will then be needed. Applications will be considered on a first come first serve basis and the final decision is made by the Executive Committee. No cash payments are made directly to members.

The Society will make all the arrangements. The tree will be sourced and planted through an arrangement with Port Sunlight Village Trust (PSVT) and all costs will be paid by the Society direct to PSVT.

The conditions of the Tree Planting Fund:

1. The tree(s) must be planted within the Conservation Area on a Member's land.
2. The tree(s) chosen must have a future significant stature that will contribute to the treescape and be in a prominent position when viewed from a place where the public has access;
3. The species, variety and specific location will be agreed with a representative of the Tree Group in consultation with the member/owner;
4. The Society will arrange to have the tree(s) sourced and planted and will include the installation of an effective device to facilitate watering by a watering-can or hosepipe;
5. The member/owner will undertake to provide generous twice-weekly watering of the tree(s) normally only during its first growing season;
6. The owner will undertake to seek and take advice from the Society * on formative pruning for up to 5 years after planting to encourage the growth of the tree(s) in an appropriate way;
7. The owner will ensure that anyone purchasing the property within 5 years of planting will be informed of this commitment and will pass on contact details of the new owner to the Society;
8. The owner agrees to the planted tree's address, but not the owner's name, being made public.

The first step:

Arrange a visit from a representative of the Oxton Society to discuss your intention to apply for a tree(s). To arrange a visit contact the Steve Ferguson, 12 South Bank, Oxton, Prenton, CH43 5UP, 652 6089, s.ferguson@liverpool.ac.uk.

* the Tree Group may delegate this to a professional