

Tree Planting Fund

Scheme and Procedure



Valid from 2020

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 encourages the planting of trees.

To promote tree planting the Society's Executive Committee has established a Tree Planting Fund to pay for the sourcing and planting of trees on a Members' property within 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. The final approval will be given by the Executive Committee or the Officers of the Society.

The Society will make all the arrangements. The tree(s) 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. There is no cost to the Member.

The conditions of the Tree Planting Fund:

1. The tree(s) must be planted within the Conservation Area and on the 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;
4. The Society will arrange to have the tree(s) sourced and planted and will include the installation of a device to facilitate watering by a watering-can or hosepipe;
5. The Member will undertake to provide generous twice-weekly watering of the tree(s) normally only during its first growing season;
6. The Member will undertake to seek and take advice from the Society * about the formative pruning for up to 5 years after planting to encourage the growth of the tree(s) in a way that is appropriate to the location;
7. The Member 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. So that individual trees can be located for viewing from a public place the Member agrees to the planted tree's address being given to third parties. The Member's name nor contact details will be disclosed.

The first step:

Arrange a visit from a representative of the Oxton Society to discuss your interest in planting a tree(s).

To arrange a visit contact the Society via its website: www.theoxtonsociety.co.uk and refer to "Interest in the Tree Planting Fund"

* the Tree Group may delegate this to a professional