

Trees for Climate case study

- Greenwood Community Forest
- Warsop Vale
- Nottinghamshire
- Partners: Nottinghamshire County Council Green Estates, Church Vale Primary School, Warsop Vale Community Centre, Warsop Vale Scout group and local volunteers



Local volunteers at the Community Planting Day

Enhancement of well used existing green space at Warsop Vale

This former Colliery Site has an existing cycle path going through the site, and the site is well used by cyclists, ramblers and dog walkers.

These trees on site were mainly planted by members of the local community to promote ownership of the site. The enthusiastic Eco Council from a local primary school planted larger trees on a very wet day. Smaller whips with individual shelters were planted on a gloriously sunny community day.

We worked in partnership with a recently opened local community centre called The Centre who provided the venue for the consultation event, where users of the park, local community groups, local councillors and members of the local community attended to give their views on 3 proposals for woodland creation at the site.









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Project description

Over 400 trees were planted at the Nottinghamshire County Council owned site in partnership with Greenwood Community Forest, local Community groups, a local primary school and members of the local community at a tree planting day where The Centre opened to provide access to toilets, refreshments and children's activities to help promote The Centre to the local community.

These trees included whips of oak, birch, rowan, wild cherry, hawthorn, crab apple, holly, field maple and alder, plus feathered whips of crab apple, rowan, silver birch, hawthorn, field maple and small leaved lime.

Following the consultation event, the lower density planting proposal was decided on to enable a safe 'open feel' to the site. It was thought that higher density planting may potentially attract antisocial behaviour.

Project impact

Contribution to Net Zero:

Trees are one of the best solutions to the climate emergency, the 402 trees planted the trees will remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere trapping it in their trunks, leaves, roots and in the soil.

Nature and Biodiversity:

Native UK trees have been chosen to increase biodiversity of the site.

Health and Wellbeing:

Enhancement of this site aims to improve the enjoyment of the site for local community groups and members of the public using the site, enjoyment of the outdoors has been proven to improve health and wellbeing.

Public access and community engagement:

The green space has public access for dog walkers and visitors. The new connections with the school, community groups and Community Centre will encourage more local families to enjoy the location.

The scout group who attended the community planting day have shown an interest in engaging with further maintenance of the site such as watering in particularly hot periods and maintaining/installing mulch mats to reduce competition during the establishment stage.









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Pupils taking part in the local school tree planting event.

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