



# Summary of 1 Million Trees for Norfolk offers 2023-2024

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### Overview

A commitment to plant 1 million trees in Norfolk was unanimously agreed by Norfolk County Council. Together with partners and communities, we aim to plant one million trees across the county over 5 years. Despite delays due to COVID, NCC has made great progress, planting over 289,000 trees.

To help reach this target we are offering several tree-planting schemes:

# 1. Subsidised tree packs

We are giving people in Norfolk the chance to apply for tree packs that are up to 50% off their original cost. **Anyone in Norfolk** can apply if they have space for them and the right land permissions.

Prices for tree packs are summarised below:

	Total
Taller trees (20)	£11.34
Taller trees (125)	£63
Small trees (10)	£6.18
Small trees (125)	£57.45
Hedgerow (20)	£9.66
Hedgerow (125)	£52.50
Wildlife (20)	£11.34
Wildlife (125)	£63.33
Orchard trees (with mesh guard and stake included) (6)	£99
Tree protection - spiral and cane	45p







All applications will close at midnight on the 14 December 2023.

Round 1: Application submitted by Thursday 19 October	Tree collection: Saturday 9 December 2023
Round 2: Application close Thursday 14 December	Tree collection: Saturday 10 February 2024

# 2. Busseys Community Tree Grant for Norfolk

We have teamed up with the <u>Busseys's family</u>, a well-established local business to offer grants to **anyone in Norfolk** looking to plant trees that deliver a **community benefit**.

Total grant coming from Bussey is £10,000, with a cap of £2,500 per individual application.

The fund covers cost of:

- Trees (orchard trees, single trees, small woodlands). **Hedgerows are not eligible under this grant funding** however it can be funded via our <u>subsidised tree pack scheme</u>.
- Tree protections (guards, canes, tree shelters, mulch, etc.)
- Delivery costs of trees and tree protections.

This fund will be open until 4 January at the latest. However, we will award grants on a first come first served basis (if you meet the grant criteria). If we have awarded all the funding before Thursday 4 January, the application window will close sooner. We will assess applications in the order we receive them, and at the time we receive them. Or, in batches at regular intervals depending on the number of applications we get.

### 3. Trees Outside Woodland - Trees for Connectivity

We are offering up to 100% grant funding for tree planting in selected priority planting areas in North Norfolk and Breckland.

Areas have been chosen based on mapping which has looked at connectivity to woodland. We are encouraging planting in these areas to create a more joined up landscape as part of a project called Trees Outside Woodland.

Anyone planting within the selected areas can apply for funding. Planting could be for a community project, on a farm or in a garden. You just need permission from the landowner.

We can fund a wide range of planting including orchards, hedgerows, individual trees and small groups of trees. We can't fund larger woodland planting.

Find out how to apply and check which areas have been identified for funding.

#### 4. Trees Outside Woodland - Trees for Farms

The Trees Outside Woodlands Project is offering grants for planting trees on farms including agroforestry projects in the 2023-24 planting season.

Grants can fund:

up to 100% of the cost of trees





and provide 50% subsidy for tree protection and labour

We are looking for project suggestions from farmers with large or small landholdings.

We can fund many types of planting for example agroforestry projects, trees in field corners, in field trees, shelterbelts and hedgerows

For further details email tree.project@norfolk.go.vuk

#### 5. Medium sized Woodland Creation

As part of funding that NCC have secured from Central Government Norfolk FWAG | The Farming and Wildlife Advisory Group for Norfolk can provide free advice to landowners wishing to plant more than 0.5ha of woodland. If suitable, applications will be made for fully funded planting (if over 1 hectare) through the forestry commissions EWCO scheme, or for subsidised planting through the Woodland Trust's MORE woods scheme for areas over 0.5ha.

We are currently focusing on working with County **Farmers** and FWAG members but are also open to working with **landowners** outside of these categories.

Please contact FWAG direct at <a href="mailto:advice@norfolkfwag.co.uk">advice@norfolkfwag.co.uk</a> or call 01603 814869.

# 6. Woodland on a larger scale

NCC is also seeking to create woodland on a large-scale. To achieve this, we are seeking long-term partners (landowners and businesses) who can:

 help identify land - we are seeking plots of 50 to 100 hectares that would be made accessible to the public

or

- collaborate with us to develop woodland from land acquisition to partnership working.
- provide match-funding

# 7. Tell us where you've planted

The public can use an online form to tell us about the trees or hedges they've planted that they would like to contribute to the 1 Million Trees for Norfolk Target. Can count trees planted since November 2019.

We can also count trees and hedges that have grown from naturally dispersed seeds for example by birds, wind, or mammals. This is called natural colonisation.

You must make sure you:

- have the landowner's permission to plant any trees or hedges
- are not replacing lost trees or hedges, for example, those that have been cut down or died due to disease
- look after them while they establish and allow them to thrive to maturity
- have planted them or encouraged natural colonisation after November 2019





# 8. County councillor contribution

Your local County Councillor has access to a discretionary £10,000 Highway Member Fund that can be used to support initiatives in your local community, and this can include tree planting and other biodiversity schemes in their area.

You may be able to get a contribution from your county councillor if you are:

- a community group
- a town or parish council
- an individual who can prove a 'community benefit'

Approach your councillor directly for support with your community focused planting idea if any of the other offers that we have developed are not the right fit for you. Find out who you NCC Councillor.

### 9. Newsletter

Sign up to Norfolk County Council's newsletter to keep up to date with schemes and events.