

UK Regional Planting Programme

Project Description

This project coordinates planting of native British broad-leaved trees in your region of the UK. Planting trees provides broad environmental benefits, helping provide wildlife habitat for many hundreds of years, and passing on to future generations a fascinating and highly valuable ecological heritage.

Trees also sequester (i.e. absorb) the atmospheric carbon as part of the process of photosynthesis, which enables them to grow. Through this process, carbon dioxide is converted into stored carbon, and this is why trees are sometimes referred to as 'carbon sinks'. By taking this carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, trees help clean the air from offset our polluting lifestyles.

Our tree planting specialists have local environmental knowledge to ensure that the correct species of native broad-leaved trees will be specified for the locations where they are most needed; supplementing hedgerows, woodlands and nature reserves, parks and farmland.

A large proportion of the trees are planted in school grounds, where they help to educate and raise awareness among pupils.



Key Benefits

The project is contributing to sustainable development:

- ✦ Planting is coordinated within mainland UK and Northern Ireland locations
- ✦ Provides wildlife habitats
- ✦ Enhances the natural UK landscape
- ✦ Educates children about the importance of the environment and conservation

Tree Buddying

All our tree planting programmes incorporate **Tree Buddying**™. This means for each tree planted we also offset one tonne of carbon dioxide equivalent through an international Verified Carbon Standard (VCS) project.

This ensures the carbon offsetting:

- ✦ is fully verified
- ✦ meets international standards
- ✦ continues to sequester additional CO₂ from the atmosphere during the life of the tree
- ✦ in addition to delivering all the other great benefits of the tree planting programme

