

Part of the Town Council Environmental Sustainability and Climate Change Action Plan

Trees do so much for us every day

They give us oxygen, store carbon, improve air quality, conserve water, preserve soil, support wildlife and are a key solution to climate change. They also make our communities more beautiful and improve our wellbeing.

In addition to the Council tree planting policy, and part of our environmental sustainability and climate change action plan, we would like to give the opportunity for local residents and visitors to plant a tree in New Milton.

Where can trees be planted?

- On some of our open spaces within New Milton, suitable for planting trees.
- There are a few restrictions on where we can plant trees, depending on the location and species. Our tree experts can guide you on this.
- We don't offer commemorative trees for cemeteries, but we can help you find an alternative location.

Please get in touch with our team and we can help you to find the best tree for the location and time of year it can be planted to suit you.

Type of tree you can choose

The species and type of tree you can plant depends on the location. We keep to species that are in line with our management plans and landscape designs. We're always happy to work with you to find something suitable.

When trees can be planted

Trees can only be planted at certain times of the year, depending on their species. The majority of trees can be planted between October and March.

If you want to be there when your tree is planted

When you buy your tree, please let us know where and when you want to plant it and we can arrange this with you.

Help to remember your tree location

We have a tree recording system in place. We log the full details of your tree, including map coordinates. It will be recorded as a memorial tree.

When we plant the tree, we will send you a certificate confirming all of these details for your records.

Cost

The price depends on the species, size and location. Please contact one of our team and we'll be happy to discuss the options and prices.

Ownership and maintenance of trees

- We retain ownership of the tree. As a Council we have what is called liability of the asset, so your tree will be maintained by New Milton Town Council on land accessible to the public.
- The tree will not be removed for a minimum period of 10 years. During that period the tree is recorded as a Publicly Planted Tree, linked to your details.
- We intend to keep the trees for their entire lifetime wherever possible and hope that your tree remains in place for many years. However, this cannot be guaranteed.
- Sadly, trees fail because of things like the weather or vandalism. If this happens, we will happily discuss replacing your planted tree but this remains at our discretion.
- We look at each case individually and would always discuss any change in circumstances with you beforehand.
- For further information, please contact:

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