



Agenda Item 5 HELP US MANAGE THE CITY'S TREES

As part of the **Cambridge Canopy Project**



To help Cambridge combat the effects of climate change, we need to grow our urban forest! More trees will help our city to be better prepared for the likely impacts that climate change will bring about. Get involved and plant a tree in your garden as part of the **Cambridge Tree Challenge**.



<https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/plant-a-tree-in-your-garden>



As well as planting new trees in your garden to help grow our urban forest, you can also suggest **New Planting Locations** for trees around Cambridge. If you have a suggestion for where we could plant new trees in the City, please get in touch and let us know!



www.cambridge.gov.uk/suggest-a-location-for-planting-a-new-tree



Help us map Cambridge's trees! Get involved and plot the trees in your garden or other private land using the **Curio-xyz** app. A complete **Cambridge Tree Map** of our urban forest will help us to manage our trees better, and to measure and value the benefits they provide us all.



www.cambridge.gov.uk/help-us-map-the-citys-trees



Help us to map Cambridge's Ash trees. There are more than 50,000 in our urban forest and they are threatened by Ash dieback disease. The **Cambridge Ash Hunt** will help us to better understand and manage the threat posed. Get involved by joining our Ash Hunt on the **Curio-xyz** app to start mapping!



www.cambridge.gov.uk/ash-trees



As part of the Cambridge Canopy Project, Cambridge City Council will be planting 2,000 new trees across the City in the next three years. During their first three years new trees need our help to get established. Be a Tree Hero and **Help Us Water New Trees** near your home or work during spring and summer, especially during hot or dry periods.



www.cambridge.gov.uk/help-us-water-new-trees



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Are you a new or expectant parent living in Cambridge? If so, would you like a free tree to plant in your garden? Cambridge City Council's **'Free Trees For Babies'** scheme can provide you a tree to commemorate your new arrival and help to grow our urban forest. Get in touch to find out more.



www.cambridge.gov.uk/free-trees-for-babies



Would you like to get your hands dirty and show our urban forest some love? If the answer is 'YES', join the **Cambridge Tree Volunteers** and help to plant trees in our parks, carry out young tree maintenance, and help with watering and data collection. If you would like to get involved, contact us to find out more.



www.cambridge.gov.uk/streets-and-open-spaces-volunteers



If you know of a tree (or group of trees) that is important to a local area as it makes it more attractive, provides essential benefits to the community, or is of historical or cultural significance, you can request a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) to **Protect A Tree**. Get involved and let us know!



www.cambridge.gov.uk/request-a-new-tree-preservation-order



As living, growing things, trees sometimes need a little help to keep them in top condition and to keep our streets and open spaces safe. Every now and then we will carry out maintenance on our trees (e.g. pruning for access and improved visibility, or removal of deadwood). If you would like to **Comment On Our Tree Works** or have any questions, get in touch!



www.cambridge.gov.uk/comment-on-our-planned-tree-works

THE CAMBRIDGE **CANOPY** PROJECT



HELPING **TREES**

The Cambridge Canopy Project seeks to increase tree canopy cover in the city, mitigating against and adapting to the likely future impacts of climate change. It is an urban forestry initiative in the Nature Smart Cities 2020-2025 project under the Interreg 2 Seas programme.

PROJECT

AIM, ACTIVITIES & OUTCOME

AIM:

To help the City adapt to a changing climate by cultivating a resilient urban forest with increased tree canopy cover (17% rising to 19%) by the 2050's

ACTIVITIES:

- Plant 2,000 trees on council-owned land
- Enhance protection & management of the current tree stock
- Engage & encourage residents & private landowners to plant trees
- Develop tools to help us assess tree canopy cover & manage the urban forest better
- Develop guidance to support tree planting & care
- Conduct an ecosystem service valuation study of Cambridge's urban forest
- Roll-out a citizen engagement scheme to help us manage our trees & collect data

OUTCOME:

Mitigate against the urban heat island effect & climate change related flooding

Read more at:

www.cambridge.gov.uk/cambridge-canopy-project



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