



# *Steypning For Trees Help Fight Climate Change*

Dear Resident,

10 June 2020

Let's Plant Together !

## STEYNING FOR TREES & WSCC "Donate a Tree" Scheme.

You may have read about Steypning For Trees, formed last year to help fight climate change by planting trees. Trees will also benefit your street by providing shade and coolness (via transpiration from the leaves) - and of course their beauty .

We are now working in partnership with West Sussex County Council and their "Donate a Tree" scheme. You can work with us to donate a tree and choose the species for the grass verge outside your property. And we will share the cost of the donation with you.

The scheme works as follows:-

- WSCC will supply and plant a new tree in the next planting season (November through to February)
- The tree will be a staked , container grown "extra heavy standard" (approx.. 2 – 3 metres tall) with a strimmer guard and irrigation tube installed.
- If you wish , you can request a list of tree species appropriate to your location to choose from.
- For the first three years after it is planted , the tree will receive an annual visit from the Young Tree Maintenance Team. They will inspect and carry out any routine maintenance and formative pruning.

- Please let us know what you would like to donate. Steyning For Trees will top this up to meet the total cost. You should apply through us, Steyning For Trees, and we will make the application to WSCC. We will follow progress, keeping you informed, and will settle the account with them.
- If we receive your request by the end of July, this will guarantee the tree is included in the upcoming planting season.

There are certain locations where a tree cannot be planted (sight lines, underground services , etc) . On the other hand, special consideration will be given to conservation areas where a tree with a Preservation Order has been felled.

Next Steps: to make your request please contact us at [SteyningForTrees@gmail.com](mailto:SteyningForTrees@gmail.com) or, for more information, call us on 01903 816726.

Bank: Steyning For Trees Account 68132085 Sort code 53 61 43

(and let us know by email.)

[www.steyningsociety.org.uk/steyning-for-trees](http://www.steyningsociety.org.uk/steyning-for-trees)

Once we have received your request we will pass it to WSCC who will assess the site for suitability . If your request is approved you will be asked to confirm that you still want to contribute, and we will confirm our contribution. The process should take 3 – 4 weeks. The tree should be planted between November and February.