

# Steyning For Trees Help Fight Climate Change



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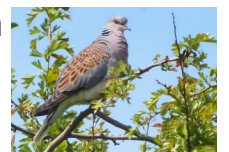
**We hope you are all looking forward to the talk to be given by Charlie Burrell about the Knepp Wildland Foundation Charity on Friday 20th May at 7.00pm for 7.30pm at the **Steyning Centre**, hosted by the Steyning Society**



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In a recent article in the Observer, **Charlie and his wife Isabella Tree** said,

"The first thing is to **GO CHEMICAL FREE, CUT OUT HERBICIDES AND PESTICIDES**. We need to restore our soils and wetlands, sequester carbon to prevent floods. Having rewilded areas around towns and cities can act as the lungs to filter and clean air. It will also give us a bonanza for wildlife, for insects and birds."



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**PLEASE DO COME ALONG.**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May, 7.00pm for 7.30pm, Steyning Centre**



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**TICKETS FOR NON-MEMBERS OF THE STEYNING SOCIETY - only £3 each - available from today from Steyning Bookshop**

**SFT** is buying **1000 bluebells** and joining Life on the Verge and the residents of Shooting Field Green to **plant them: 10am, Wednesday 27th April. ALL WELCOME.** The Woodland Trust's Broadleaf Magazine has an interesting article by Elisabeth Garton "Cuckoo's boots, witches' thimbles... whatever you call them, bluebells ring loud in our history and folklore".



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## NEWS FROM THE WOODLAND TRUST



**Darren Moorcroft** their **Chief Executive** says, "Farmland covers 70% of the UK, and the Trust has ample evidence of how much trees can achieve there when cannily placed." They are leading a drive to plant 70 woods UK-wide as part of the [Queen's Green Canopy](#) initiative.

As you know **SFT** has been taking part in this as well **with the support of Steyning Town Community Football Club** where we have planted 2 hedgerows and will be planting a 3rd later this year with the help of the Primary School children.

The **dramatic [Wester Ross](#)** glen will be **transformed for wildlife** courtesy of £770,000 from the public appeal by the Woodland Trust.

"When it comes to **community planting** it doesn't get much bigger than a tree for every family in the country" so says the Trust director in Wales after the Welsh Government partnered with them to offer a free sapling to [every household in Wales](#). The Minister says "**Trees are amazing but we haven't planted enough of them in my lifetime**". **SFT** will be paying for more **trees to be given out free at the Steyning Farmer's Market in October** for your gardens.

[HS2's Crewe to Manchester](#) line is set to **directly damage** 18 ancient woods.

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**SFT** still maintains links to the **WSCC [Donate a Tree scheme](#)** so **please remember to let us know** if you are interested in a **TREE FOR YOUR VERGE** by end of May - telephone 01903 816726, or email [SteyningForTrees@gmail.com](mailto:SteyningForTrees@gmail.com).

**Remember: Trees are front-line warriors in the fight against climate change.**

If you have any enquiries or suggestions please email us at [SteyningForTrees@gmail.com](mailto:SteyningForTrees@gmail.com) or visit our website at [steyningsociety.org.uk/steyning-for-trees](http://steyningsociety.org.uk/steyning-for-trees) or ring us on 01903 816726

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