Calverton (former pitch and putt site) - Tree Planting Proposal

The Calverton former Pitch and Putt is located next to the William Lee Memorial Park and can be accessed by a gate at North-West corner of the playing field. The site is owned by the parish council

The site consists of a single, rectangular field bordered by hedgerows. There are small groups of semi-mature trees set within rough grassland, and a network of narrow, mown paths.

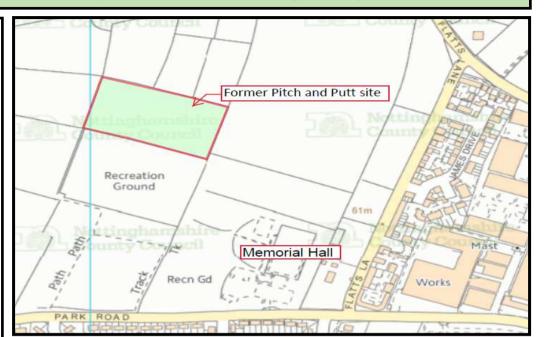
The parish council would like to improve the site for both wildlife and people, and working with Greenwood Community Forest have come up with a proposal for a potential community woodland.

As a starting point Greenwood commissioned an ecological appraisal and survey of the site. The report considered that 'woodland creation should have a positive impact on the local environment' and that 'inclusion of wide woodland rides (paths) and open areas as part of the woodland design would benefit wildlife'.

As well as providing a great place for people and wildlife, tree planting also helps in the fight against climate change. Trees capture and store carbon and although the new woodland is only small—every little helps.



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Calverton Community Woodland—draft plan

The new planting will link together the existing trees to create a small community woodland. Access through the woodland will be provided by wide, mown paths with open, unobstructed views along each section of path.

There is lots of open space (40%) including sheltered, south facing glades, providing sheltered areas for butterflies / insects and places for wild flower planting. The plan includes a large open area with room for informal seating and as a base for activities e.g. school visits.

A variety of trees will be planted including Oak, Silver Birch, Rowan, Wild Cherry, Crab Apple, Holly and fruit trees.

A tree planting event will be held this winter to give everyone the chance to get involved with creating the community woodland.

The planting is funded through the Trees for Climate programme, funded by government, so there is no cost to the parish council.

We would like to know what you think of the proposals. Please complete the following questionnaire and email to: greenwood@nottscc.gov.uk

If you would like further information, please contact us at the same address.



Trees for Climate is an England-wide programme of woodland creation led by England's Community Forests and supported by DEFRA, the Forestry Commission and the Community Forest Trust. The Greenwood Community Forest Initiative (hosted by Nottinghamshire County Council) is a key partner in Trees for Climate.



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