



## Terms and conditions of TreeBristol Sponsor a Tree scheme

Please ensure that you read and agree to the terms and conditions of the tree planting sponsorship before completing your payment in the online shop.

### 1) Sponsor a Tree terms and conditions:

#### What we offer:

- Parks trees are specimen trees that are planted at final spacing and allowed to grow to their full potential.
- Street trees are trees planted in the adopted highways, located immediately adjacent to the road typically in pavements or grass verges. There are almost 800 tree stumps and empty pits ready for replacement. If stump grinding is necessary before planting, this is paid for by BCC.
- The £295 planting and watering service includes: the supply and planting of a 3-4 metre tall tree; protection of the new tree with two stakes and a steel cage; and a circle of mulch. It also includes watering for the first two years to ensure it establishes (20 visits in year one and 10 visits in year two).
- Tree planting sponsorship includes a tree certificate and site map confirming the tree planting location.
- As an optional extra you can choose to pay for a small plaque to be made and fitted to the tree cage at an additional charge of £25. The plaque is 100mm x 50mm and wording is limited to a maximum of 7 words. The plaque is fitted to the cage when the tree is planted and remains on the tree for as long as the cage is around the tree. This is for 3 to 5 years according to tree species and local conditions.

#### Donations from businesses

- This tree planting scheme is outside of the scope of VAT. To adhere to this, businesses that choose to have a plaque fitted to the tree cage must have the wording as follows: "Company Name donated funds to plant this tree".

#### How the trees are planted:

- Planting of trees can be carried out by our contractors, the council's tree planting team and supervised volunteers.
- Trees are planted between November and March, when the trees are dormant, to minimise stress and ensure their successful establishment.
- It is not possible for sponsors to join in with the tree planting unless it is part of a community tree-planting day.

#### Memorial trees

- We do not recommend spreading memorial ashes directly to the base of a newly planted tree. This can have a negative effect on the establishment of young trees. Please contact your local Park Manager for distribution of ashes in Bristol's parks.

#### Replacement of sponsored trees and plaques:

- For the first two years, the council will replace a sponsored tree that is both planted and watered by the council in the unlikely event that it fails to establish and dies.
- If a tree is vandalised within 2 years and is no longer viable or dead, the council will replace the tree only once.
- If a plaque on the tree cage is vandalised the council will not replace the plaque.

#### Our conditions:

- We reserve the right to close the sponsorship scheme until the following season if it becomes oversubscribed.
- "Your tree" means sponsorship, not ownership. Legal ownership of a sponsored tree remains with the council.
- If unforeseen circumstances require it, the council reserves the right to move or remove any tree, and we would plant a replacement tree in an appropriate location.