

Press release for Sherwood Forest Trust 20th August, 2021 Sherwood Forest Trust Plants ‘Trees for the Future’

The Sherwood Forest Trust, a local charity established over 25 years ago, is working with the ‘Miner2Major’ Landscape Partnership Scheme to plant 10 ‘Heritage Trees’ - celebrating the special place that trees play in the landscape and history of the Sherwood Forest area.

On Saturday 24th July, the Trust was at Feel Good Gardens CIC, a community garden at Forestry Holdings next door to Sherwood Pines, hosting their third event as part of the Heritage Trees project.

Members of Feel Good Gardens – who carry out gardening at the site for therapeutic and wellbeing purposes - helped to plant 6 espalier apple trees, as well as a memorial tree. Members and volunteers grow their own fruit and vegetables on site, which they then go on to use in group cooking sessions and shared meals. So as well as being good news for wildlife and birds, the planting of these apple trees will provide tasty benefits for the future.

Amy Chandler, community ranger for Forestry England, attended the event and gave a talk to members about the work FE does within the area, focussing on the importance of trees for our climate, physical wellbeing and mental health.

Gary Joynt from Major Oak Heritage Crafts gave members green woodworking demonstrations and led ‘have-a-go’ sessions. Gary said, “I loved every minute and I was inspired by the great work going on at Feel Good Gardens and the lovely folks who attended. Hats off to the Sherwood Forest Trust for organising this event and raising awareness of how important trees are to our heritage, wildlife and local landscape.”

The Sherwood Forest Trust hope that the event might become a joint annual event at Feel Good Gardens, working with members and the local community to emphasise the importance of trees and community co-operation for the future of Sherwood Forest.

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Images from the Feel Good Gardens event



Information for Editors

The Sherwood Forest Trust is a registered charity based in Edwinstowe, and established 25 years, focussed on conserving, preserving and celebrating the nature and heritage of the former Royal Hunting Forest of Sherwood.
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Miner2Major is a five-year Landscape Partnership Scheme (2019-2023), supported by a £2,450,400 grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund. It focuses on the heart of the Sherwood Forest area from Nottingham to Ollerton, and Mansfield to Rufford Abbey, an area that has a distinctive landscape character, which is recognised and valued by local people, as well as visitors from around the world.

Further information can be obtained via: [Miner 2 Major](https://www.miner2major.org.uk) | [Miner2Major](https://www.miner2major.org.uk) ([nottinghamshire.gov.uk](https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk))