



How 2 guide

TITLE: Tree Planting

Centennial Project Area if applicable: Environment

50 Word Synopsis of Project:

Our project is to plant trees, sponsor woods, gates, benches etc. to mark our Centenary in 2017 throughout the MD 105. Tree planting is a great hands on service activity for all to get involved as well as creating a lasting, living legacy for future generations. This will not only improve our environment but also strengthen our PR within those communities.

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Club/District/MD Environment Projects in conjunction with Woodland Trust to celebrate our Centenary by sponsoring the planting of brand new woodland/trees throughout the multiple district. We can also sponsor Gates, benches at these Woods. There are many ideas we can explore/get involved!

School and community tree packs:

A free tree pack is simple and anyone of us can apply. The Community Tree come in the packs of 30, 105 and 420 trees which are distributed to community groups and schools entirely free of charge. The packs come in different mixes of tree species so we can choose the best one for our project.

Club/districts can apply for projects (local schools, parks, old people homes, hospices, play grounds etc) in their communities. Woodland Trust accept applications all year round, but only send trees out twice a year – in March and November – when the trees are dormant and ready to plant. Next deadline for applications is 6 Jan 2016, and all those eligible will receive their tree packs in March 2016. www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/freetrees

There will be an opportunity to sponsor an area of woodland in one of their Centenary Woods created to mark the First World War in Epsom and it will be ready for planting in 2017 which is very appropriate to mark our own Centenary.

There is also the opportunity at Heartwood Forest near Sandridge, St Albans. District 105A already has a grove dedicated by Lions. This is the largest new native forest in England that is within easy reach of millions of people.

Clubs can also get involved as volunteers to plant trees around the country through Woodland Trust. For more details please go on their Website for dates/locations!

We are liaising with woodland trust and waiting for opportunities for us to sponsor and get involved. Once we know the cost and locations then the Clubs/Districts/MD can choose to take it forward.

Clubs/districts can find their own projects to plant trees and/or they can join to support individually and collectively any projects suggested by Woodland Trust.

These projects will not only preserve and protect our environment now but also increase awareness of Lions in our communities and a lasting legacy of Lions Centennial Celebration.

Key Contacts and links:

woodlandtrust.org.uk/freetrees