

MAY 2020 NEWSLETTER

BRIDPORT TREE PLANTING

Our New Nursery



Here's a picture of volunteers John Hinsley (foreground) and Henry Lovegrove taking a breather after putting up the fence and gate for our new tree nursery in Riverside Gardens - it's near the bridge at the bottom of East Road, and will be able to bring on up to 800 saplings.

COMING SOON - THE BRIDPORT TREE MAP.

A map showing all available spaces for planting trees in Bridport and surrounding parishes will soon be available through the Town Council. We will be helping by examining (walking) areas and giving feedback on what might be the best trees for particular sites. This is part of the Council's efforts to combat climate change, and quite ambitious. More information as it becomes available.

Pictured left: one of the saplings in the new hedge in Asker Meadows.

Photo by Wendy Cutts



HELP NEEDED. This newsletter goes out to more than 100 supporters. Is there anyone among you who could give our small steering group some help with contacting schools? Talking about their own possible planting, fitting trees into the curriculum. Please contact me for a chat if you can help.

Here's the first pages of an informed and interesting article in the April 15th edition of Country Life about trees . Look what they chose for their first photograph!



Did you know that the ownership of the Jellyfields and Bothenhampton nature reserves will soon transfer from Dorset Council to Bridport Town Council? The Town Council is looking to produce a new management plan to enhance the areas for wildlife and is currently consulting the community. Go to <https://www.bridport-tc.gov.uk/jellyfields-and-bothenhampton-nature-reserve/> to find out more.

Here is a link to the Woodland Trust, which has provided us with free good quality trees. <https://newsletters.woodlandtrust.org.uk/2D76-1LC7C-B79J00D921/cr.aspx>



Looking forward to getting and planting more trees in the autumn.

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