

National Tree Week

National Tree Week (27 December – 5 December) is the UK's largest annual tree celebration, marking the start of tree planting season.

To kick things off, the 'Planting Our Future' team will be launching the refreshed 'Shirley Tree Trail', developed in conjunction with Solihull Tree Wardens and Friends of Shirley Park. The tree trail takes you along a guided tour of the trees within the 'Green Flag' park, which includes the rare Warwickshire Double Pink Hawthorn. With a detailed description and image of each tree, this walk is as educational as it is beautiful. If you would like to take the guided tour of Shirley Park's trees, you can download the 'Shirley Tree Trail' [here](#).

The 'Planting Our Future' team are working on a number of projects during National Tree Week and beyond throughout the planting season. The first of the 25,000 trees due to be planted this planting season will take place during National Tree Week, and will see over 100 trees planted along highways throughout the borough. Urban greenery is essential in reducing the 'heat-island' effect by providing shading that reduces the amount of heat conduction.

Follow the 'Planting Our Future' team's journey this planting season on social media: Twitter/ Instagram @LoveSolihull and Facebook @PlantingOurFutureSol. For more information, email: plantingourfuture@solihull.gov.uk