



Free Trees for Residents Scheme

Westmorland and Furness Council is offering Free Trees and Hedge Packs as part of the One Tree per Resident Project.

The aim of One Tree per Resident is to plant one tree, or one metre of hedgerow equivalent, for every resident within Westmorland and Furness.

Free Tree for Residents is for residents, schools, town or parish councils, businesses, community groups and landowners.

There will be 10 species of tree available in this scheme which will be provided as a sapling. These species are suitable for any sized garden when managed accordingly and some species are suitable for pots. Please see the One Tree per Resident [webpage](#) for best suitability for garden size and species-specific information.

The Hedge Packs will contain 15 saplings of each of the following: crab apple, field maple, hawthorn, hazel, rowan, silver birch and whitebeam, totalling 105 saplings which will give you approximately 20 metres of hedgerow.



Terms and Conditions

Tree selection

The application form will ask you to specify your preferred species of tree sapling, however, please note that the amount and/or species of the trees you will receive cannot be guaranteed and is subject to supply and demand.

Collections

You will be responsible for collecting your tree saplings and/or Hedge Packs during one of the collection days in January and February 2026. Please specify in the application form your preferred collection point from the list provided when asked to do so. Once your application has been assessed and you have been accepted to receive your free tree(s) and/or Hedge Packs, you will be notified of your collection date and location.

Tree Protection

The Council is unable to provide any form of cane or protection for the trees/hedges and once you have collected your trees or Hedge Packs you are responsible for the care and maintenance of them. The Council accepts no liability for trees or Hedge Packs which fail or die after collection.

Important Notes

- You will receive a receipt upon submitting your application, but this is not confirmation of acceptance.
- Applications will only be accepted from individuals planting within Westmorland and Furness. Larger planting schemes will be assessed for feasibility.
- Tree and/or Hedge Packs must be planted on land you own. If you do not own the land on which you are seeking to plant trees and/or hedge packs, you should seek legal advice to ensure you have the necessary permissions to plant on the intended land.
- All correspondence will be via email. Please ensure your email address is correct and check your junk/spam folders.
- If you have any questions regarding this scheme, please contact our Climate and Natural Environment team at futuretrees@westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk

1. Please confirm that you have read and accept the terms and conditions.

I confirm that I have read and accept the terms and conditions.

Privacy Statement

In submitting this form, you agree to the information you provide being used for the purposes of administering and managing our Free Trees for Residents Scheme.

The information will only be accessed by the Climate and Nature Team at Westmorland and Furness Council.

Your data will be held securely and will not be distributed to third parties. You have a right to change or access the information collected in this form.

When this information is no longer required for this purpose, Westmorland and Furness Council will dispose of your data.

To read our full privacy notice, visit our website: www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/your-council/data-protection-and-privacy/privacy-notice

2. Please confirm that you have read and accept the privacy notice.

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Tree Species Information

Tree selection

To help choose the right tree for the right place, please see information about each tree species below.

Species	Garden size	Soil type	Good for
Crab Apple	Small gardens, pot-friendly	Moist, heavier soil	Pollinators and birds
Field Maple	Medium to large gardens	Moderately moist	Wildlife and autumn colour
Guelder Rose	Small gardens, pot-friendly	Moist, fertile soil	Berries for birds (otherwise toxic)
Hawthorn	Small to large gardens	Moist to dry soil	Wildlife
Hazel	Small gardens, pot-friendly	Moist soil, not waterlogged	Wildlife and nuts
Juniper	Small gardens, pot-friendly	Dry, well-drained soil	Wildlife, berries for birds (otherwise toxic)
Rowan	Small gardens, pot-friendly	Light, moist soil	Berries for birds (otherwise toxic)
Silver Birch	Medium to large gardens	Moist, well-drained soil	Wildlife, light canopy
Whitebeam	Medium to large gardens	Dry to moist soil	Birds
Yew	Small gardens, pot-friendly	Dry to moist soil	Evergreen, berries (all parts of the tree are toxic)

Landownership

Tree saplings and/or Hedge Pack applications are to be planted within the Westmorland and Furness boundary only. The following information is required before you can start your application.

3. Do you own the land, or have permission from the legal landowner, that you would like to plant on?

It is essential that you have permission from the legal landowner to plant trees before we can accept an application. Please select one answer.

☐ I confirm that I own the land

☐ I can confirm I have received permission to plant from the legal landowner

☐ I do not have permission to plant from the legal landowner

☐ I do not need to seek permission because I am planting my tree in a pot

4. What is the What3Word location of the land you would like to plant on?

You can find your What3Words location at <https://what3words.com>

Your Details

Please provide us with some further personal details so we can contact you about your application and to organise collection of your order. This information will be used for the Free Trees for Residents scheme only.

5. Full Name:

6. Email Address:

7. Contact Telephone Number:

8. Postcode:

9. Please tell us which of the following best described you:

☐ I am a resident

☐ I work for a school or nursery

☐ I am part of a town or parish council

☐ I am part of a community group or business

☐ I am a private landowner (e.g. farmer)

Additional Contact Information

Please complete this section only if you are a school or nursery, town or parish council, or community group or business.

10. Name of Organisation:

11. Work Email Address:

12. Work Telephone Number (optional):

Tree Selection: Quantity and Species

13. How many individual species would you like to apply for?

If you are only applying for Hedge Packs, please skip to “How many Hedge Packs would you like to apply for?”

14. Which species of tree saplings would you be interested in receiving?

We cannot guarantee that you will receive all the species that you select.

Juniper	Rowan
Guelder Rose	Yew
Hazel	Field Maple
Crab Apple	Whitebeam
Hawthorn	Silver Birch

15. How many Hedge Packs would you like to apply for:

Hedge Packs contain 15 saplings of each of the following: crab apple, field maple, hawthorn, hazel, rowan, silver birch and whitebeam, totalling 105 saplings which will give you approximately 20 metres of hedge.

16. If ordering 50+ trees or 2+ hedge packs, please provide some more information about your planting plans.

You may be contacted by a member of the team regarding your planting plans.

Collection

17. Which area of Westmorland and Furness would you like to collect your tree sapling(s)/ hedge pack(s) from?

Additional collection points will be decided on demand, please select your preference. You will be notified of your collection point via email once applications have closed.

Penrith

Kendal

Barrow

Other (please specify from the following: Windermere, Coniston, Alston, Appleby-in-Westmorland, Kirkby Stephen)

Leftover Saplings

At the end of the scheme, we may have some leftover saplings that we would still like to give to our residents to plant.

18. If there are leftover saplings, would you like to be informed on when and where you may be able to collect them from?

Please note we cannot guarantee there will be saplings leftover.

Yes No

Additional Tree Planting / Woodland Creation

If you are interested in more tree planting opportunities, Raise: Cumbria Community Forest work with landowners, communities, and partners across Cumbria on woodland creation and other tree planting projects. You can contact them at: info@raisecumbria.co.uk

If you are applying for a lot of Trees and/or Hedge Packs the Woodland Trust can provide planting advice or advice on larger nature schemes. They can also provide information on planting schemes in areas that Raise do not cover. For more information, please email Peter Leeson at: peterleeson@woodlandtrust.org.uk

Declaration and Submission

By submitting this application, I confirm to Westmorland and Furness Council that:

- I own or have permission from the legal landowner to plant the trees saplings and/or Hedges on land within the Westmorland and Furness boundaries.
- I acknowledge that I understand that Westmorland and Furness Council accept no liability for the tree(s) and/or Hedge Packs from the point of collection including but not limited to any adverse implications which may cause damage to any property or injury to any person regarding the planting of the tree and/or hedges.

I acknowledge if I fail to collect any trees and/or Hedge Packs that I have been allocated on the collection day, these will not be held for me and may be distributed to other applicants.

Signature:

Form Completion and Return

If you require assistance or have any questions whilst completing this form, please email futuretrees@westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk or call the team on 07345466098.

Once completed, please see return options below:

1. If completed in person at a Westmorland and Furness Council building i.e. anchor building or library, please return to reception.
2. To return by post:

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Lowther Street
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