

NEW LEAVES PROJECT LEAVES GREEN ROAD TREE NURSERY.



The London Borough of Bromley are please to announce the development of a new tree nursery in Leaves Green Road.

A successful funding application from the Forestry Commission on behalf of the Mayor of London, enabled Friends of the Parks groups to join the Environmental Service Streetscene and Greenspaces officers in a planting day.



15 people enjoyed the sunshine, along with bacon sandwiches and cakes, to plant over 2000 indigenous hedging whips and transform a small unused piece of agricultural land in Leaves Green into a recourse for local parks groups, schools and council tree services.

The funding covered cost of ground preparation, rabbit fencing, on going mowing costs as well as the hedging whips.



Friends groups are being encouraged to use the nursery to raise seed grown plants and self seeded year old whips from their woodland sites, with the idea that when they needed to replenish the trees in their woodlands, they would be able to use trees originally from their site.

Information packs are now available for each interested Friends group, to assist them to grow trees from seed and to safely and sustainably remove saplings from their sites that would not survive in the conditions where they have germinated.

This Nursery also gives us the opportunity to grow some trees on to be used as street trees.

The nursery will be a great training facility as growing trees will need care and pruning so groups can learn new skills whilst maintaining the site.



Schools can benefit by learning about hedgerows with the opportunity of lifting and replanting small hedges for their school grounds, one idea would be to run a competition looking at the diversity of a hedge.



Local scout groups and Nash College have been helping by making their own pots and planting tree seeds ready for the nursery later in the season.



Any Friends groups wanting Tree Growing and Planting guides please contact
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