



St Andrews Parish Council

Redhouse Community Centre, Frankel Avenue, Swindon SN25 2GY
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1st March 2023

Dear Resident,

Potential Trees for Climate Woodland Creation

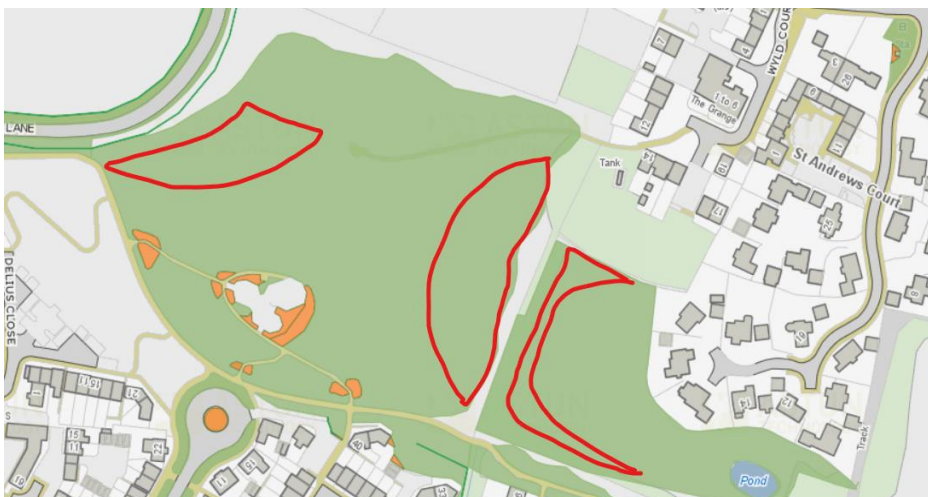
To address the climate emergency, St Andrews Parish Council, with support from Swindon Borough Council are looking to plant more trees across the Parish, helping to support the pledge to reach carbon neutrality by 2030. This forms part of the Trees for Climate Initiative, developing new woodlands to provide and improve biodiversity in addition to fighting climate change. The new woodlands will also provide an opportunity to improve community engagement and public health.

As part of this initiative, the three sites below have been identified with the red outlined potential sites for woodland planting.

Site 1 Open space below Northbourne Road



Site 2 Open space behind Lyall Close and either side of Diamond Jubilee Park



Please turn over...

Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer Emma Sylvester



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Site 3 Open space behind tree line of Oakhurst Way on the footpath towards Redhouse Park



We are writing to gain insight into the suitability of these sites for our project, therefore opinions of the local community are of high importance to ensure the correct action is taken.

Please respond to enquiries@standrews-pc.gov.uk with your comments by 21st April 2023 If we do not hear from you we will assume that you have no objections.

The woodlands will be designed with future community use in mind. Trees are set back around 20 metres from housing, with smaller, shrubbier species selected where appropriate. We have tried our best to add to the current stock of trees rather than breaking up too much of our lovely open space areas.

If you would like to find out more about the trees for climate initiative, please visit <https://englandscommunityforests.org.uk/trees-for-climate> There, you will find a variety of resources.

Woodland creation is not only associated with improved natural biodiversity but improvements in mental health and well-being. If you would like to contribute to our initiative, you can get involved by volunteering to help plant trees at the various sites throughout the Parish. Again, register your interest via enquiries@standrews-pc.gov.uk

Kind regards

Luke Jones
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St Andrews Parish Council