

Fife Tree Warden Scheme



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Do you have a love of trees and a few hours to spare?

Tree Wardens are volunteer tree champions who plant, look after and stand up for the trees in their area. Anyone can be a Tree Warden, no prior training or experience in tree management is needed.

As a Tree Warden, you're not simply an extra pair of hands: you're an ambassador for Fife Climate Forest helping safeguard Fife's trees, woodlands and greenspaces, helping to tackle the climate and nature crisis.

You can focus on a particular neighbourhood or work with a local community group. You can choose what interests you the most and we will signpost support and training that's available through The Fife Tree Warden Scheme.

Tree Wardens should have a willingness to learn and be happy to work outside, sometimes in remote locations.

You should be able to devote around 12-24 hours a year (1-2 hours a month), exploring your area and carrying out Tree Warden activities.

Tree Wardens can:

- Champion trees in your local community and seek planting opportunities
- Plant and care for trees and hedgerows
- Manage local woods, for example by removing invasive species
- Survey trees to provide early warning of threats and disease
- Monitor special trees and find trees worthy of protection
- Encourage others to value the community's trees and woodland
- Lead guided tree walks and give talks to local groups
- Find sites for tree planting and support community fundraising
- Assist fruit tree planting and orchard care
- Collect seeds from local trees and grow trees



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The benefits of being a Tree Warden:

- Discover more about tree and hedgerow planting, tree management, tree recording and tree protection
- Volunteer in the great outdoors
- Learn new skills and get access to training
- Be part of a Fife-wide volunteer network of people interested in trees and woodlands
- Meet new people with the potential to join local community / woodland groups
- Receive a reference and certificates of attendance

Tree Wardens is a national scheme run by The Tree Council, supporting local groups across the UK. Fife is the second local authority Tree Warden scheme to set up in Scotland after Perth and Kinross.

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