

# November 2025 newsletter



## BRIDPORT TREE PLANTING

Let's help double tree cover

IT'S NATIONAL TREE WEEK! HERE'S NEWS ABOUT WHERE WE'LL BE PLANTING OVER THE WINTER. If you wish to be involved,

contact us.



More trees beside the River Symene, behind the Medical Centre. There's a gap where an overhead electricity line went. The Town Council have done a great job clearing away Himalayan Balsam.

We'll also be planting a long strip more towards the town, on the same site, close to the Symene and opposite the allotments.



Here's our Symene champion! This willow has grown more than two metres high since we planted. Not bad for less than ten months! The soil on this riverside site is excellent. The other trees are doing well, especially the alders.



We will also plant next to the hedge at the Bridport Town FC car park. The Town Council will be planting specimen trees on the plots closer to the parked cars.



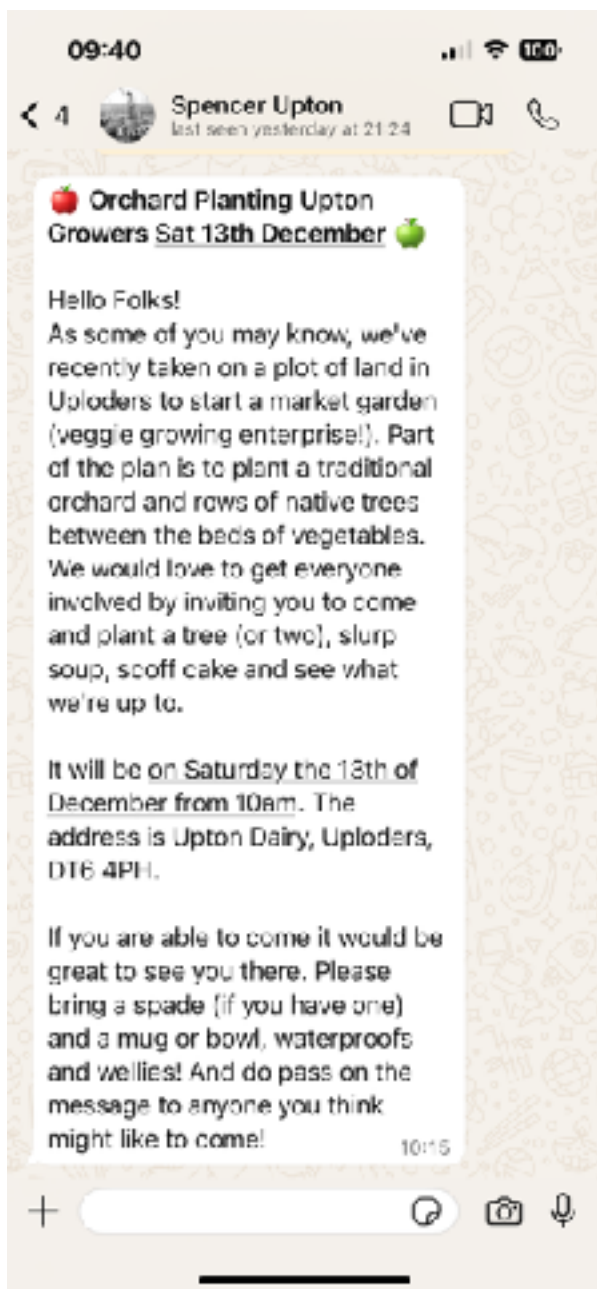
At Asker Meadows we're going to fill in the corner of the Show



Field - near the gate leading to the compound, by Sea Road South - with about 100 trees.



Asker Meadows is also due to have a new hedge, installed by the Town Council, not us. Gradually many of the barbed wire fences in the nature reserve will be replaced with nature-friendly hedges - some in short lengths so you'll still be able to see through from the field towards the river, and vice versa.



Here's news of the planting of lots of fruit trees in **Uploders on December 13th**. There's an exciting five-acre site for a new market garden. This is from Spencer Upton.

Here is a message from the Tree Council, who are celebrating fifty years of **National Tree Week**. Lots of information here.

There is even a playlist of songs about trees.

<https://treecouncil.org.uk/seasonal-campaigns/national-tree-week/>





Our free trees from The Conservation Volunteers/I Dig Trees are coming on December 16th and we'll get planting soon after that. About 300 native species are to be planted by us in the above Bridport schemes to add to the approximately 2,000 we planted

already over the past six years. **Email us on the address below if you want to be involved.**

We will also be distributing, after Christmas, some free fruit trees from Adam's Apples near Cullompton. About £650 worth! This year they'll be plums, damsons mainly and some cherry and figs. We'll have a separate newsletter about that.

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