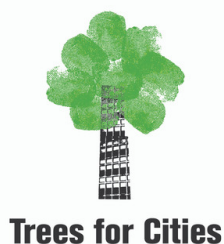


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The trees are being planted as part of the Brockley Society's Street Trees for Living campaign to promote and enable the planting of trees across the Borough of Lewisham. The trees will add colour, improve air quality, create a home for wildlife and make the park a greener, cleaner place to relax and play.

The planting is kindly being supported by Tideway. Tideway is delivering the Thames Tideway Tunnel, London's new 25km 'super sewer', urgently needed to tackle the pollution of the River Thames caused by sewage overflowing from the capital's Victorian sewer network.

RIGHT TREE FOR THE RIGHT LOCATION

The trees have been carefully selected by a tree expert and will complement existing trees within the park to maximize benefits for all people and wildlife.

HOW WE WILL LOOK AFTER YOUR NEW TREES

Your new trees will be visited regularly by our maintenance team for the first three summers after planting. The team will carry out watering, weeding, and re-securing of ties and stakes if needed to keep the trees healthy and looking their best.



Scots pine (circled in blue)

The Scots pine trees will help to create a green screen sheltering park users from traffic pollution from Brookmill Road. The Scots pine is the only pine tree native to the UK. It has a tall trunk and tufty crown. The pine needles are slightly blue in colour, especially when young, and its craggy bark makes an attractive feature. As an evergreen it will provide interest all year round. When fully grown this tree will be 12-17 metres in height.



Common alder (circled in yellow)

Together, the common alder and dawn redwood will complete the green screen protecting park users from air and noise pollution from local traffic. The common alder is a beautiful pyramidal shaped tree growing to 17-22 metres in height. In spring it produces delicate yellow catkins and is a great tree for supporting lots of wildlife. The tree grows well in the wet ground in this area and will also support the growth of the larger dawn redwood trees.



Dawn redwood (circled in red)

The dawn redwood is considered a living fossil. Until the late 1940s the tree was only found in fossils until it was rediscovered in China. It is a deciduous conifer. It has feathery, needle like, bright green leaves that turns a beautiful golden, orange brown in the autumn time. The leaves fall for winter to reveal a deep brown red bark that is extremely spongy and shaggy in appearance. It will grow to more than 20 metres when fully grown providing a strong impact on the skyline all year round.



London plane (circled in purple)

The London plane is a classic tree for the city, helping to clean the polluted air. The broad leaves start green in the spring and turn to a golden brown in the autumn. As the tree matures, the bark will peel to reveal a patchwork of green, white and cream. It is a large tree that will grow to more than 20 metres tall and has been known to live for more than 300 years. This tree replaces one lost several years ago.

ABOUT THE NEW TREES

The new trees will be about 3 metres tall when planted. They will be supported by 2 wooden stakes and protected by a strong wire cage.

We hope you are excited as we are!



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