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PRESCOT TOWN COUCIL, MERSEYSIDE

Prescot Town Council organised a Tree Planting Event on Carr Lane. A mixture of residents, members of the Friends of KGV Browns Field and Carr Lane Woods, Friends of Eaton Street Park, Pupils from Evelyn Primary School and local councillors joined the Mayor of Prescot in the planting of 50 *Cercis siliquastrum* along the boundary of Brown's Field and Carr Lane. Those in attendance were provided with some interesting tree facts from Kevin Bushell and Son's Tree Services, who were on hand to lead the planting activities.

This was the final stage of a project which has seen the removal of the long-standing Poplar Trees which had adorned the roadside for many years. Unfortunately, these trees had reached the end of their natural life and were at the point of becoming unsafe, indeed just days after they were felled, high winds blew down a healthy tree on the inside of the park which blocked the perimeter footpath. The requirement to remove the trees has allowed the town council to develop a project that was able to engage with the community and involve them in the planting of the town's new green infrastructure. Those involved on Saturday will be able to watch their tree grow over the years knowing that they have personally contributed to the enhancement of one of the main gateways into their town.

Has your council done something similar? Then get in touch by emailing Claire.goldfinch@nalc.gov.uk

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