

NOVEMBER 2020

## **BURBAGE PARISH COUNCIL, LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND**

Burbage Parish Council has introduced a number of initiatives to increase the tree cover as well as the biodiversity of their community. Such as applying for community packs from The Woodland Trust which contacted four packs of native hedging the plants. The hedges were planted in a local recreation ground as part of a parish-wide project to increase biodiversity on council-managed green spaces.

In addition to this, the council applied for a Shire Environment Grant from Leicestershire County Council. Burbage Parish Council received £3,000 towards the planting of trees, hedges and wildflowers as well as putting up bird and bat boxes in the community. These small actions can have a large and long-lasting effect on Burbage as they help counteract the effects of carbon as well as providing habitats for local wildlife.

Councillor Blake Pain, the County Council's cabinet member for environment and transport, said: "It's essential that we work together to conserve nature, landscapes and ecosystems, both locally and globally. Nature recovery and environmental growth are at the forefront of our Environment Strategy and we are committed to implementing solutions that set the path for a healthier, greener Leicestershire."

Has your council done something similar? Then get in touch by emailing [Claire.goldfinch@nalc.gov.uk](mailto:Claire.goldfinch@nalc.gov.uk)

© NALC 2020