

TREE CHARTER DAY CASE STUDY: LEAMINGTON TOWN COUNCIL, WARWICKSHIRE



Picture: BBC presenter, Liz Kershaw re-opens the revamped woodland area (Credit: Leamington Courier)

Earlier this year, Leamington Town Council formed a partnership with Age UK and a local school to support a project to revamp a woodland area to help people with dementia.

The revamped woodland area was named in honour of the late actor and Leamington resident Norman Painting OBE of The Archers BBC radio show.

Volunteers from Age UK Warwickshire and the local business community spent the winter and spring clearing overgrown areas and putting down, new, safer, paths and re-creating a woodland pond.

The volunteers have continued to maintain the woodland since it has been re-opened.

Leamington Town Council provided grant funding to the project.

The woodland contains a mixture of trees, bushes, walkways and sheltered seating areas, which have all been included to provide a safe space for those with dementia and an environmental education resource for children.

This is a fantastic initiative by Leamington Town Council which has embedded a number of principles from the [Tree Charter](#). Have you done something similar? Get in touch with NALC and let us know by contacting Ben Murray at ben.murray@nalc.gov.uk.

NALC is encouraging all local councils to celebrate the impact woodland and trees have on their local communities this **Tree Charter Day (24 November 2018)**. There are plenty of ways you can do this from hosting or attending a local event to tweeting about what you have done over the past year to celebrate your woodland and trees and tagging @NALC and @WoodlandTrust using #TreeCharterDay.

More information can be found: <https://www.nalc.gov.uk/treecharter>

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