

TREE WARDENS

If you have a love of trees and a little spare time then the County Council would like to hear from you.

Kent County Council is anxious to recruit still more volunteers to become tree wardens in their civil parish. This scheme is supported by the 'Replant the Garden of England' Trust Fund set up in the wake of the October 1987 storm.

Councillor Brenda Trench, Chairman of the County Council's Environment Subcommittee, said: "Parish tree wardens with their local knowledge have a vital role to play but the work isn't excessively time consuming.

"A little spare time, enthusiasm and a love of trees are the main requirements. Training courses are available.

I do hope more people will offer their services so that before long every parish in the county will have its own warden."

Anyone interested should contact either their Parish Council or Nick Brown on 0622 (Maidstone) 671411 ext 6400.

TREE PLANTING GRANTS

Grants of 30% for hedgerows, 40 or 50% for trees are available for approved schemes of over £200. Preference will be given to the planting of native species. All must be visible to the public when full grown.

For further details and an application form contact:

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White Cliffs Countyside Project

The White Cliffs Project has been formed to help care for the countryside around Dover and Folkestone, and make it more accessible to people. The local authorities have joined in partnership with the Countryside Commission, Nature Conservancy Council, Kent Trust for Nature Conservation and Eurotunnel, with the aim of managing the chalk grasslands to benefit wildlife and provide a place for quiet enjoyment by local people and visitors alike. We hope to improve footpaths to provide a clearly way-marked network, including circular walks and guided walks. The project is part of a larger programme of environmental improvements to attract tourists and new industry to Dover.