

Community Orchard Fund Application
Application to be submitted by September 2024
Trees should be planted by March 2025

1. Full name

2. Email

3. Phone number

4. What is the name of the organisation you are representing?

5. Please give details of any partners/organisations involved in the project, outlining how they will be involved.

6. Within which local authority is your organisation based or operate? (Select all that apply)
North Warwickshire Borough Council
Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council
Rugby Borough Council
Stratford District Council
Warwick District Council

7. Please provide a written description of the proposed site of the orchard below. Include these details:
 - location details (central What3Words or Grid Reference if possible)
 - ownership of land (inc. permission to plant trees)
 - access to land details

8. Do you have a plan or design for the orchard already? If not, would you like help with planning the orchard?

9. Please provide the approximate proposed site size (m2)

10. Describe how your project will benefit the local community it will be based in. Has there been / will there be community engagement as part of the project

11. Do you know how many trees you would like to plant at this site? An approximate figure or estimate is fine. Include details here if you know which tree species or fruits you would like have in the orchard.

12. Does anyone involved in the project have any experience of managing orchards?

13. Do you have an established community group that will be manage and maintain the orchard?

If you do not have an established group to manage and maintain the orchard, please detail how you will attract volunteers from the local community to be involved in the project.

14. We are looking at setting up a Orchard support group where you can share information, techniques etc. would you be interested in joining?

Yes

No

15. Does your proposed site need fencing erected around the orchard to protect the trees from grazing etc. ?

Yes

No

Unsure

16. Establishing an orchard can often involve a lot of watering of the trees during the first few years, especially during dry spells. Does your proposed site have a nearby water source? What considerations have you made for ensuring the trees are suitably watered?

17. This fund can cover 100% funding for the trees and for ancillaries (canes, guards) and protection (e.g. fencing). Are you seeking or have you secured any additional funding from elsewhere for your project?

Please note that we are unable to fund any projects already in receipt of grants from Defra or across government.

18. We are expecting the majority of orchards to be planted next season i.e. winter 2024/25. This is to allow sufficient time to develop orchard plan, involve and engage the local community, and to source preferred tree species. However, if you feel your project and community group are ready now and you would to plant this Winter, please indicate below.

Plant Winter 2024/5

Plant Winter 2023/4

19. Please add any other information you would like to submit here: