# Treescapes and Your Parish or Town Council

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#### **About us**

- Grant funded by Woodland Creation Accelerator Fund
- Remit: Plant trees Right Trees, Right Places, Right Reasons
- Four team members
- Flexible rural / urban split



#### **About us**

- Project funding is revenue only
- We raise the funds to finance our work
- Public, private, third sector partners
- Includes Town and Parish Councils



#### What we can and can't do

- We can work in Blackpool and Blackburn with Darwen
- We can't work outside of LCC, Blackpool, Blackburn
- We can work with you on everything from a single tree to a woodland
- But we can't work on...



#### What we can and can't do

- ... Hedgerows
- Existing woodland except new planting to extend it
- S106 or other planning obligations
- Where planting is otherwise *required*



 Anything and everything from single trees



 To woodlands with hundreds or even thousands of trees



Turn problem areas into community assets...



... with grassroots projects...



...that connect people with nature...



...with lasting benefits for future generations...



•...of people...



...and wildlife



### Parish and Town Councils 2023 / 24

- Six Parish and Town Councils
- Eight tree planting projects
- Orchard, woodland, riparian, Miyawaki micro forest
- All trees and other capital items fully funded



# **Mawdesley Parish Council**





#### **Moss Fields Conservation Area**

- Grant from Chorley Council
- Double size of community orchard to 30 trees
- Site assessment, fruit tree selection, planting plan
- Extension of existing woodland
- Community planting day, 420 free woodland trees



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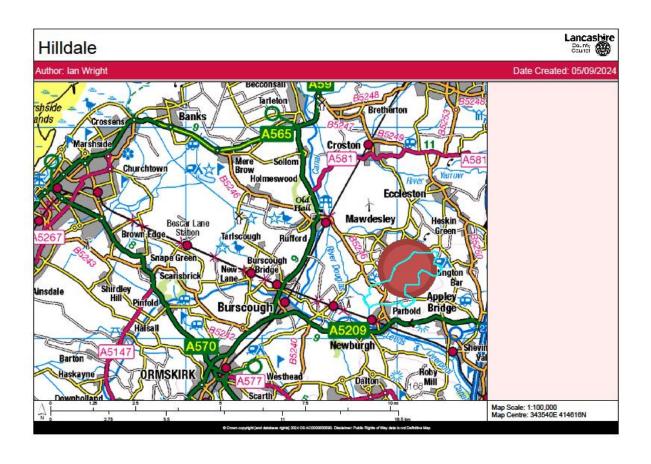


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- Lancashire Environmental Fund Green Grant
- Hilldale PC asked for one replacement tree!
- They got 10 heritage fruit trees and 1000 spring bulbs
- Community planting day

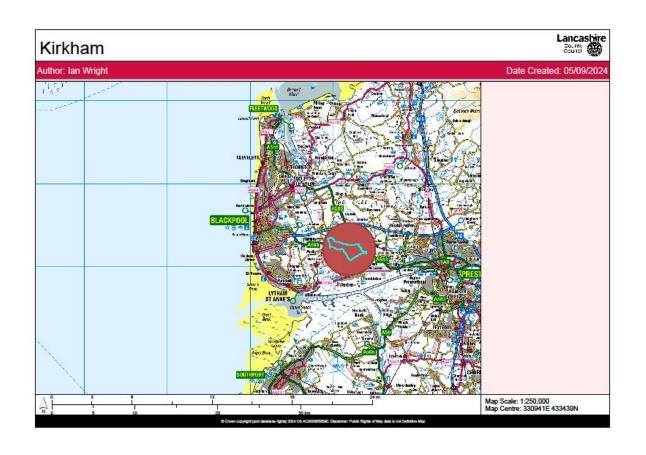


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- Returning heritage fruit trees to the local landscape
- Spring and autumn colour
- Help for pollinators
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#### **Kirkham Town Council**





### **Kirkham Community Allotments**

- Coronation Living Heritage Fund pilot site
- First recipient of LCC onward grant for community orchards
- Problem site overgrown plot
- Community planting day



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### The Close Recreation Ground, Kirkham

- Coronation Living Heritage Fund pilot site
- One of the first Miyawaki micro forests in Britain
- Problem site Wet hollow
- Planted with prisoners from HMP Kirkham & Kirkham in Bloom volunteers





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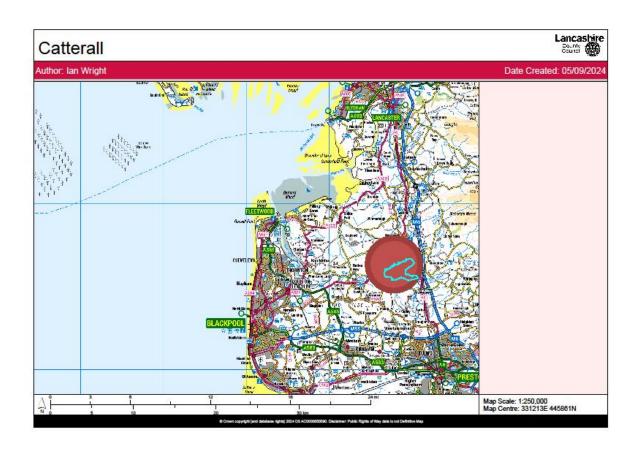


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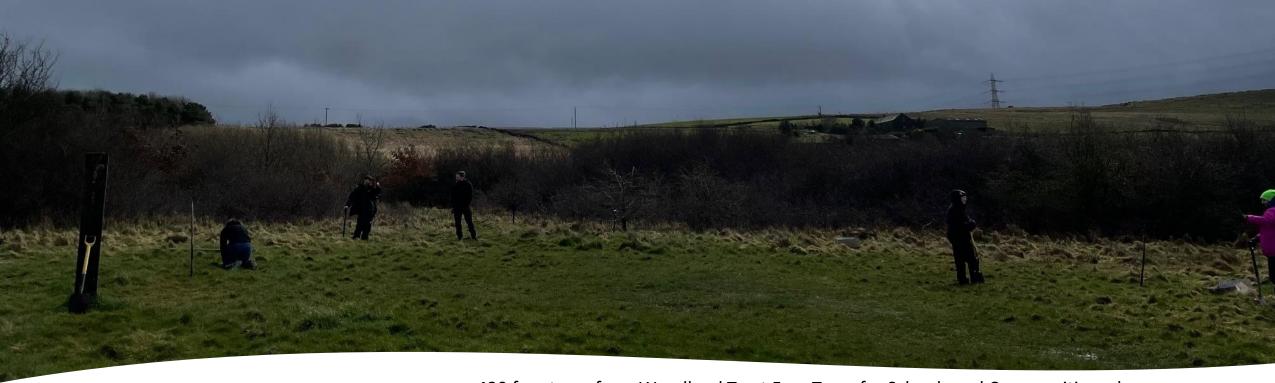
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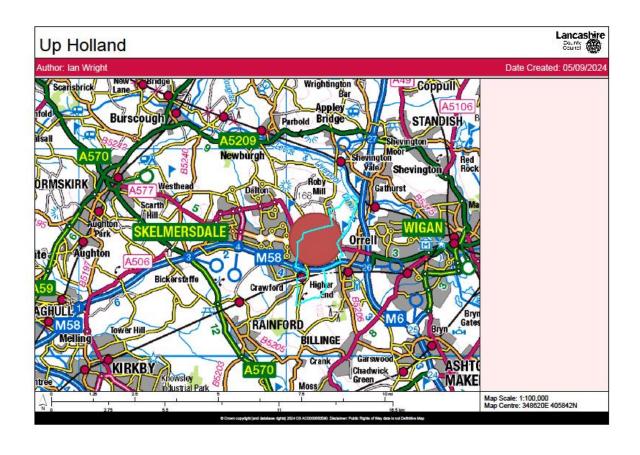


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# **Up Holland Parish Council**





# Mill Lane Recreation Ground, Up Holland

- 800+ trees in a Miyawaki micro forest
- Funded by Ribble Rivers Trust & West Lancashire B C
- Almost zero failures some trees have grown >1m since March!
- Planted by PC volunteers, Friends of Tawd Valley, WLBC Rangers, local primary school



# Mill Lane Recreation Ground, Up Holland





# Mill Lane, Five Months On





#### **Grants**

- Lancashire Environmental Fund Green Grant
- lancsenvfund.org.uk
- Woodland Trust Free Trees for Schools & Communities
- www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/schools-andcommunities/tree-pack-application
- TCV I Dig Trees
- tcv.org.uk/i-dig-trees-free-trees



#### **Grants**

- Lancashire County Council
- Coronation Living Heritage Fund Community Orchards
- <u>www.lancashire.gov.uk/council/grants/lancashire-community-orchard-grant</u>
- Local Authority Treescapes Fund micro forests
- Contact Treescapes team



# Thank you. *Any questions?*

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