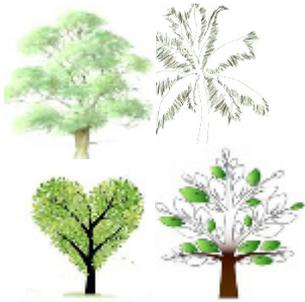


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LONDON DISTRICT 1130



PLANT A TREE FOR PEACE



Please note that there are now two Tree Planting Days – one facilitated by Newham Council and the other facilitated by Tower Hamlets Council.

The tree planting projects are being co-ordinated by The Commonwealth Rotarian Peace Envoys and themed : Rotary and the Commonwealth Promoting Peace. This is part of the Commonwealth celebrations that began on Commonwealth Day on 12th March and ends of 20th April 2018 – which marks the end of the events pertaining to the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) in London.

District 1130 Tree Planting – to Promote Peace and Celebrate Rotary and the Commonwealth.

Saturday 24th March 2018 – Tree Planting at St Georges V Park, Newham, 10.30am for 11am start.

The Commonwealth Rotarian Peace Envoys purchased 210 trees from the Woodlands Trust and these have been delivered to Newham Council. The Council has agreed to plant and maintain these trees at the King George V Park (King George's Avenue, Custom House. E16 3HR) in Newham. Members from the Rotary Clubs of Tower Hamlets, Newham, Stratford and Westminster West have come together to support this project. All Rotarians are invited to attend. Bring a spade if you can.

Friday 20th April 2018 – Tree Planting at Tower Hamlets.

The Commonwealth Rotarian Peace Envoys have ordered another 210 trees from the Woodlands Trust and these will be handed over to Tower Hamlets Council. The Council has agreed to plant and maintain these trees at Mile End Park. Details of the time will be provided as soon as it is known. Members from the Rotary Clubs of Tower Hamlets, Newham, Stratford and Westminster West have come together to support this project.

Calling on all Rotarians in London to Plant Trees in their Gardens.

Rotary International President Ian Riseley, has stressed that protecting the environment and curbing climate change are essential to Rotary's goal of sustainable service. He has challenged every Rotary club to make a difference by planting a tree for each of its members between the start of the Rotary year on 1 July and Earth Day on 22 April 2018.

District Governor Mike Hodge lent support to this call for London Rotarians to plant trees whenever the opportunity arose. District Governor Nominee Tony Sharma and Assistant Governor Himanshu Jain who are also on the Peace Committee, have negotiated with Newham and Tower Hamlets Councils to plant and maintain 420 trees in both Boroughs. At the end of April, trees would have been planted on behalf of one third of Rotarians in London. With this in mind, Sree Vallipuram, the Chair of the District 1130 Peace Committee, has been requesting all London Rotarians to plant one or two trees in their back gardens. "March and April are the right time to plant trees in the UK and this is a simple and straight forward way to ensure that trees are planted and maintained. If you could plant more than one tree, you will be planting on behalf of those Rotarians who do not have a back garden. Fruit trees are recommended as they will continue to provide for future generations as well."

Please email sree.vallipuram@gmail.com to inform the Peace Committee of any trees that you have planted.

