



## Thirlmere Court green space - proposed planting

The green space to the east of Thirlmere Court is owned by Cheshire East Council and managed by Congleton Town Council. Both support tree and hedge planting to help reduce the effects of **climate change and biodiversity loss**. A mixed native hedge has already been planted along the eastern boundary of the field, and the current proposal consists of sections of boundary hedging next to Thirlmere Court, together with 3 more fruit trees to add to the existing mini orchard.

Trees for Congleton is a subgroup of Congleton Sustainability Group (part of Congleton Partnership) which aims to plant a tree or woody shrub, including hedging plants, for every Congleton resident over a period of about 6 years. The aim of the planting is to further increase the value of the green space for capturing and storing carbon, to provide cover for wildlife, to increase safety for users by providing some separation between the green space and the road and to stop runoff of surface water from the sloping site after heavy rainfall. The general proposals for discussion are shown overleaf. Hedgerow trees have not been included but could be added if local people wished.

An application will be made to the Tree Council under its Branching Out Fund and, if funding is secured and the proposals are supported by a majority of the people who respond to this consultation, it is anticipated that planting will be carried out in January or February 2023 by volunteers. Hedge planting will be well mulched to keep down weeds until the planting is established. Volunteers would initially help with aftercare of the hedge but in the long term it would be maintained by the Town Council's Streetscape team.

### Do you have any comments? For example:



I like it!



I think it's OK, but...



I don't like it because ...

Please email your comments to us at [treesforcongleton@gmail.com](mailto:treesforcongleton@gmail.com), putting **Thirlmere Court** in the subject line, or post your comments to the Town Hall, High Street, Congleton, CW12 1BN, or leave a comment on the Trees for Congleton Facebook page. The last date for receiving comments is Friday December 16<sup>th</sup> 2022. If you would like to help, please give contact details.

# Planting proposals

