



Friends of Priors Hill Copse

South East Tree Warden Forum

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Saturday 17th September 2016

Hound Parish Hall, Woolston Rd, Butlocks Heath, Southampton, SO31 5FR



Trees: Changing Views

In this year's Tree Warden Forum, we shall investigate the perception of trees. It is obvious that trees can be used to physically change a view. Landscape designers have always known that and used trees throughout history to create new vistas and landscapes.

However what is less often considered are the other values that trees have - in changing the climate, increasing property values, reducing pollution, providing new ecological niches and creating a better local environment for you and your community. Indeed where would you be without your morning coffee, newspaper and an apple to keep the doctor away (spot the tree link!).

So in this year's Forum we will explore the other 'values of trees'. We shall look at Priors Hill Copse (an ancient Oak coppice woodland of about 3.8 hectares situated just outside Southampton) and how it has been brought into the heart of the local community by the local Tree Wardens and the Friends of Priors Hill Copse. We shall also explore the importance of ancient trees and woods and look at a new future for hedgerows.

Eastleigh Tree Partnership, formally Eastleigh Tree Wardens, was formed in 2014 as a collaboration of Eastleigh Borough Council, Friends of Priors Hill Copse, The Tree Council and TCV. To mark our second year, we are pleased to be hosting this Tree Warden Regional Forum

The aim of the day is simple – to make all those who join us, look at trees differently on their way home; to literally change your view of the importance of trees.



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10:00 Doors Open, registration and coffee

10:30 Opening Remarks from **Eastleigh Tree Partnership and The Tree Council**

10:35 Changing views of ancient trees: Archie Miles (Renown Author/ Photographer)

Ancient trees have always been celebrated in the landscape, but over the last 20 years we have learnt much about the importance of these special elements in our treescape. Archie has been writing books about the importance of Britain's ancient trees for over 20 years and in this talk he will explain why we need to take a new look at this vital part of our landscape.

11:20 Changing views about trees: Jon Stokes – Tree Council

The debate about trees and their role in the modern world is a complex and ever changing one. Recent research has shown that over 30% of the tree cover of the UK is composed of trees in hedges, copses and in gardens, parks and streets which are particularly important in urban areas. So getting people to value trees where they live is vital, if we are to continue to have a healthy tree canopy in the places where we live and work. In this talk we shall explore the 'tools' that Tree Wardens have to help them change local views about trees including the Tree Council's Community Action Programme and the new 'Charter for Trees, Woods and Forest'.

11:50 Comfort Break

12:00 Changing views of woodland – Hugh Milner – Woodland Consultant

In this talk woodland specialist Hugh Milner will talk about ancient woodland, and their importance in a modern world. He will explore the value of ancient yew trees, the importance of lime in our woodlands and the reason why we all need to care for these special woodlands in our local communities.

12:30 Changing views of hedges – Margaret Lipscombe – Tree Council

The Tree Council has expanded their concept of Fruiting Hedges into the urban environment and we know that the message of healthy, free food from a hedge has national appeal. By changing the view of a hedge from a neat 'box', to a more natural and 'wild' hedge, we can improve many urban edges for both biodiversity and for food.

13:00 Lunch

14:00 Workshops in the Ancient Oak Coppice of Priors Hill Copse

1) Growing the next generation of local trees; 2) Raising money for local tree projects; 3) The ancient oak coppice of Priors Hill; 4) Fruit hedges and orchards; 5) Photographing trees – the right way!

16:30 Try locally made hedgerow produce and close



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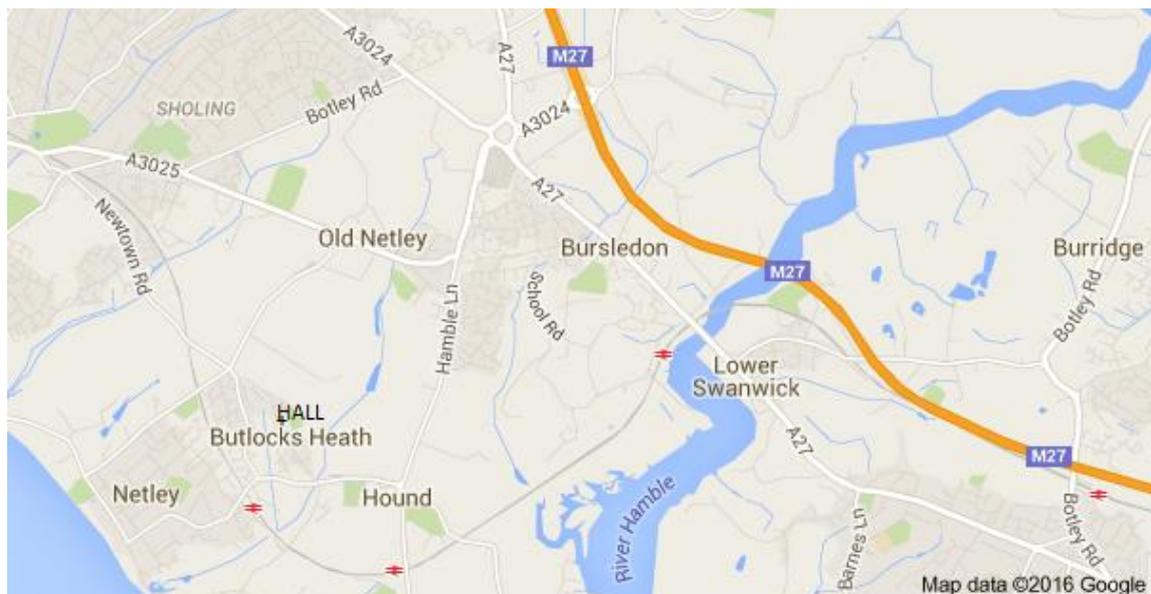
Travelling by car:

- From London and west take the M3 and M27
- From the East take the M27
- leave the M27 at Junction 8, onto the Windhover roundabout 2nd exit to Hamble Lane (A3025)
- on A3025 go past Tesco's mini roundabout, go straight ahead at the next roundabout (the A3025 becomes the B3397) then after approximately ½ mile turn right at the next roundabout in to Hound Way then first right into the Woolston Rd.
- Hound hall car park is approx 500m on the right opposite the Cottage Inn Pub.

Travelling by train:

The nearest railway station is Netley Abbey, approximately one mile away. From here it's a short walk along Ingelside Rd and third right in to Woolston Rd Hound Hall is opposite the Cottage Inn.

See the National Rail website for train timetables and live departures.





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Places for this year's event are limited and will be on a strictly "first-come, first-served" basis – **we recommend booking early to avoid disappointment. The closing date for registration is Friday, 9th September 2016**

Cost is **£15 per person** inclusive of lunch and other refreshments. Please make cheques payable to 'The Tree Council' and write your name(s) and address on the back.

I/we will be attending the forum and enclose a cheque/postal order for £ (please do not send cash)

Signed

We are unable to refund your payment if you cancel your booking less than 14 days before the forum.

I/we will be attending the forum

Signed

Please return this form with your payment to:
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