

STARTER KIT



OPEN ORCHARD

PLANTING TREES ACROSS THE BOROUGH

ABOUT THE PROJECT

An Open Orchard is a selection of fruit trees in your neighbourhood that invites you and others to pick fruit straight from a tree! You can be a part of every step, from planting, to looking after the trees and then picking the fruit to share, cook and eat.

The planning of an orchard is an opportunity to get to know your neighbours, plant together and once fruits begin to grow, you can plan all sorts of recipes with the apples and pears that grow, or whatever fruit you choose to plant!

You will get to know exactly what's gone into the making of the food you eat. In these times when we need more trees, what's better than planting fruit trees?



WHAT'S IN THE KIT



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FRUIT TREES



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PLANTING
STAKES



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WITH CART



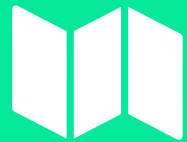
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PAIRS OF
GARDENING
GLOVES



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PRUNING
SHEARS



PROMOTIONAL
MATERIALS



SUPPORT



WORKSHOP
& TRAINING



INSURANCE

WORKSHOPS & NETWORKS

To help with the planning and organising of your Tomorrow Today Street, a number of workshops have been designed and scheduled across a 5 week period. These workshops will be scheduled at different times and repeated each week so everybody has a chance to join in!

Workshops will be informative and informal, guiding you and your neighbours through the nitty gritty details of the projects work and how you can start them on your street.

Follow the link to keep updates: https://www.facebook.com/pg/weareeveryone.org/events/?ref=page_internal

HOW TO ORGANISE TOMORROW TODAY STREET

How to plan and organise a Tomorrow Today Street with your neighbours. Learn how to get others involved in your neighbourhood and start a team. We'll go through ways to asset map ideas to get you and your project started.

Some of the projects require online Health and Safety training which we will explain how to carry out and complete.



HOW WE WORK

Learn about our principles and how they can help you to make your project inclusive and welcoming to all of your neighbours as the project grows.



DIGITAL BRIEFINGS

Introduction to the digital tools you can use to support the Tomorrow Today Street projects. We'll go through the uses of different social media platforms and softwares, and follow easy steps.



CHOOSING A TREE & LOCATION

When choosing where to plant, you need to think about how big the tree will become. Imagine that the roots will spread underground and their branches overhead. Trees will grow to cast large shadows, which means considering neighbours who live nearby. Ideally an empty green space is best, so you can leave about 3 metres between saplings.



CHOOSING FRUIT TREES

Select which fruit trees you think you can benefit most from. Consult neighbours to see which fruit trees they'd prefer. There may be bakers amongst you who can turn any fruit into a perfect dessert, so it's worth asking around before planting something people may not enjoy eating.

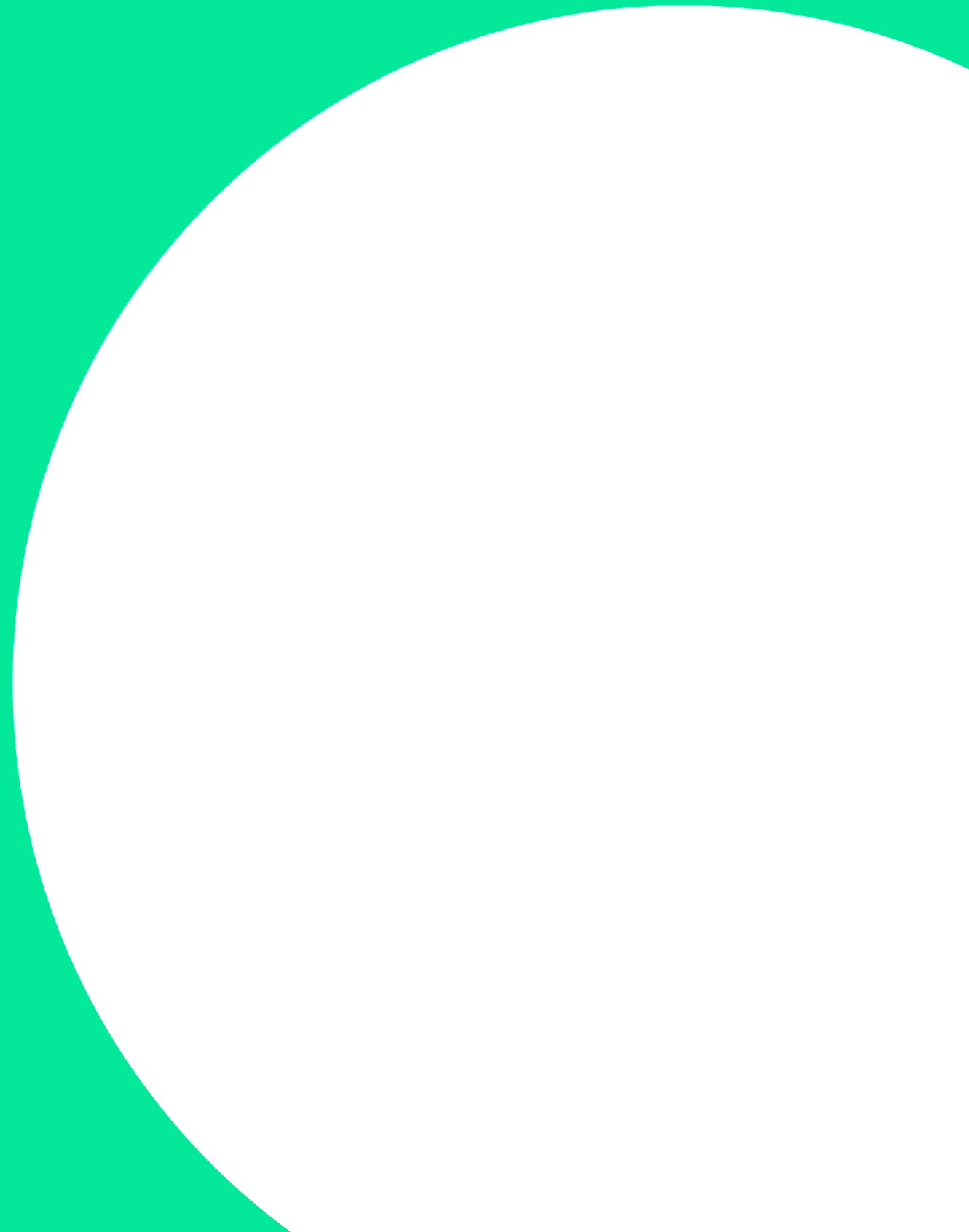


PLANTING DAY

For year old saplings, you will need to dig a hole of about 1m x 1m. It will need to be deep enough to fit the tree up to a certain point marked on the young tree, so be prepared for serious digging. Make sure you have all the correct equipment and lots of people to take turns digging the earth.



THE BIGGER PICTURE



ABOUT EVERY ONE EVERY DAY

For the past two years Every One Every Day has been working with people across the borough, joining together to share skills, start projects and make friends. Residents have been pouring their creativity and energy into these projects, ranging from cooking, making, sewing, playing, growing, sharing, composting, film and writing.

WHAT IS EVERY ONE EVERY DAY ABOUT?

There are five high street shops around the borough and one large public makerspace called The Warehouse in Thames.

People pop in to have a cup of tea and share their project or collaborative business idea and then work with the design team.

Over the last two years the project has grown a large enthusiastic network of over 6000 local people, who are doing practical things together to make everyday life better for everyone.

So far more than 150 neighbourhood projects have started with lots of local people participating, with as much or as little support as needed, including cooking, beekeeping, growing, making, repairing and much more.

Many small things done by many people really add up, and really do make friendly, healthy and happy neighbourhoods.

Lots of wonderful things are being achieved by local people, families, friends and neighbours!

HOW DOES EVERY ONE EVERY DAY WORK?

Practical hands on ideas – not lots of meetings Every One Every Day builds on the ‘hands on’ projects that people have been creating over the last few years in their own neighbourhoods. These types of projects welcome people from all walks of life.

These projects include:

- Sharing skills, spaces and resources.
- Families working and playing together.
- Batch cooking and community meals.
- Food growing and tree planting.
- Trading, making and repairing.



HOW IT WORKS



1

APPLY TO BECOME a TOMORROW TODAY STREET WITH a SIMPLE FORM

2

TALK TO the TEAM ABOUT HOW THE PROJECT WORKS

3

YOU'LL GET 3 STARTER KITS SENT TO YOU WHEN YOU CONFIRM

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CREATE CONTACT LISTS THROUGH FLYERS AND POSTERS

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START WORKING ON 3 PROJECTS WHEN THEY ARRIVE

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ONLINE ACCREDITED TRAINING FOR YOUR TEAMS

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LAUNCH STREET PARTY

8

HOLD WORKSHOPS WITH NEIGHBOURS TO SURFACE SKILLS AND IDEAS

9

CHOOSE from 21 other PROJECTS WITH YOUR 20 POINTS

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LEARN WITH OTHER TOMORROW TODAY STREETS



INCLUSIVE PRINCIPLES

HOW THE TOMORROW TODAY STREETS WILL WORK WITH NEIGHBOURS AND THE EVERY ONE EVERY DAY TEAM

1

**OPEN TO EVERYONE
- NOT EXCLUSIVE GROUPS OR CLUBS**

Anyone can start a Tomorrow Today Street, as long as you live in the borough you're ready to go! If you need help connecting with your neighbours to get started the Neighbourhood Shop Teams are ready to help.

2

EVERYONE IS VALUED, ON AN EQUAL FOOTING

The whole street matters! Starting a Tomorrow Today Street means creating space for everyone to have a say in picking projects, planning and taking part.

3

PROJECTS THAT BENEFIT THE WHOLE STREET - NOT JUST INDIVIDUAL HOUSEHOLDS

The projects are designed to work together and benefit everyone in your street. The Starter Kits are full of great bits for everyone on your street to use, it's important to make sure that material and equipment are accessible and are easy to borrow and keep safe.

4

PRACTICAL SPEEDY WAYS OF WORKING IN PROJECT TEAMS - NOT COMMITTEES

It's important that when planning the projects to start on your street, you and your neighbours share responsibility and make decisions together so you can get started quickly. Different people will form small teams around each project, and those who are actively involved will have the most influence over the decisions.

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CHILDREN ENCOURAGED TO BE INVOLVED IN PRACTICAL PROJECTS AS MINI-MAKERS - NOT JUST SPECTATORS

There's always something for the kids! Across the 24 projects you'll find lots of activities that children and young people can host, take part in, learn from and enjoy! At Every One Every Day children are mini-makers, creating, learning and sharing their skills.

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SUPPORT FROM EVERY ONE EVERY DAY

The Every One Every Day team will help you every step of the way. They will support your street with lots of tools, ideas and plans to kick off your Tomorrow Today Street the right way. We're learning and researching together to make everyday life better in your street.

BIG TEAMING ON YOUR STREET

Every person on your street has something amazing they can contribute to making your Tomorrow Today Street wonderful! Big teaming is a different way of working, the aim is to get as many people in your street benefiting and contributing from these practical projects as soon you can.

Often with neighbourhood projects committees are established to control and direct activity. This is mostly done because small groups may be managing money and some kind of governance is required. Working through committees often leaves people working on them exhausted, it can slow things down, and make it hard to move things from talking to action and cause people to lose interest.

The Tomorrow Today Street project is set up so that people can get things done and done quickly, not wasting any precious enthusiasm.

The Starter Kits come complete with equipment, materials, insurance and support so there is no need for governance around money in the usual way.

The aim of big teaming is to allow smaller groups of people to collaborate together on individual projects that engage their skills and ideas and fit within their daily life. For example 4 people may come together to start a bread making project like Loaf — that bakes regularly and shares this bread with neighbours. Another set of neighbours may come together to plant and look after an orchard, share the harvest or arrange jam making. A group of parents may collaborate to start a walking bus.

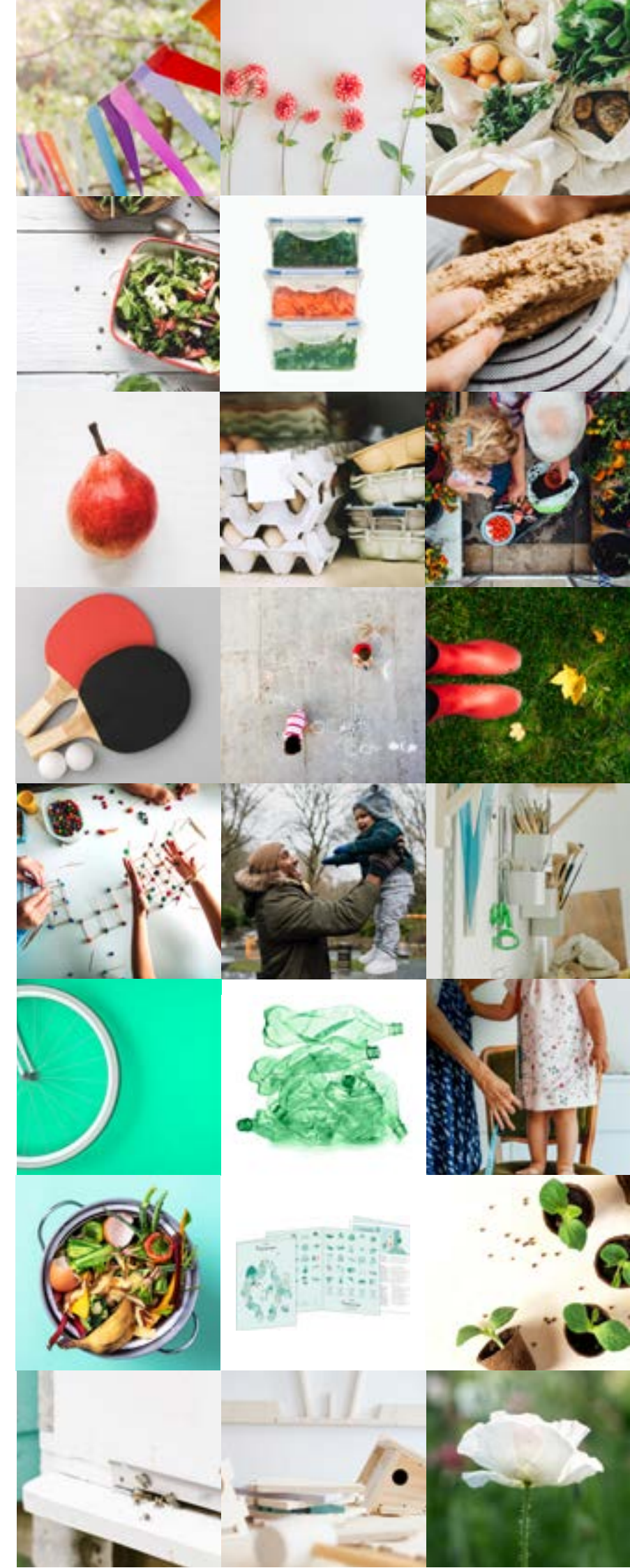
As the teams and projects grow - many people will participate and be involved, get to know their neighbours and share ideas, food, skills and friendships.

Every Tomorrow Today Street has automatic projects which will help neighbours get to know one another better. Decisions will

need to be made about which other projects will be chosen for your street.

A Every One Every Day team will arrange a workshop for your street where this can be discussed and projects chosen. Importantly, skills and enthusiasms will need to be gathered from people who attend the workshop and those who couldn't make it.

If three people come forward during this process and want to start one of the projects together, all efforts should be made to make this happen as quickly as possible.



TOOLS TO ACT

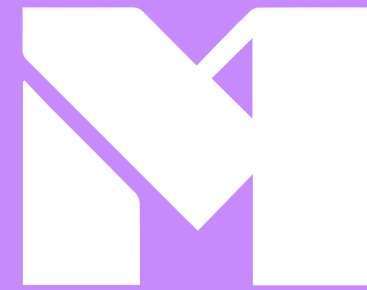


DIGITAL TOOLS

There are many digital tools you can use to help you and your neighbours stay organised, plan together, share ideas and show your street to the world.

You will learn exactly how each digital tool could help you and which one is best for your street in the Digital Briefing Workshop (see workshop section).

The every one every day team will help you set up to organise your tomorrow today streets using some of these platforms.



MIGHTY NETWORK

A social platform where you can organise as a street, document your progress and find all information regarding workshops.



WHATSAPP

A great app for sending instant messages and pictures, Whatsapp is a great tool to chat and organise with your neighbours.



INSTAGRAM

You can use Instagram as a photodiary, sharing lovely pictures of your street with family, friends and the world!



MONDAY.COM

A great planning website which will help you create task lists with deadlines and assign roles to each person on your team. You can create a Monday's board with your Street Mentor so they can help you plan and stay on track.

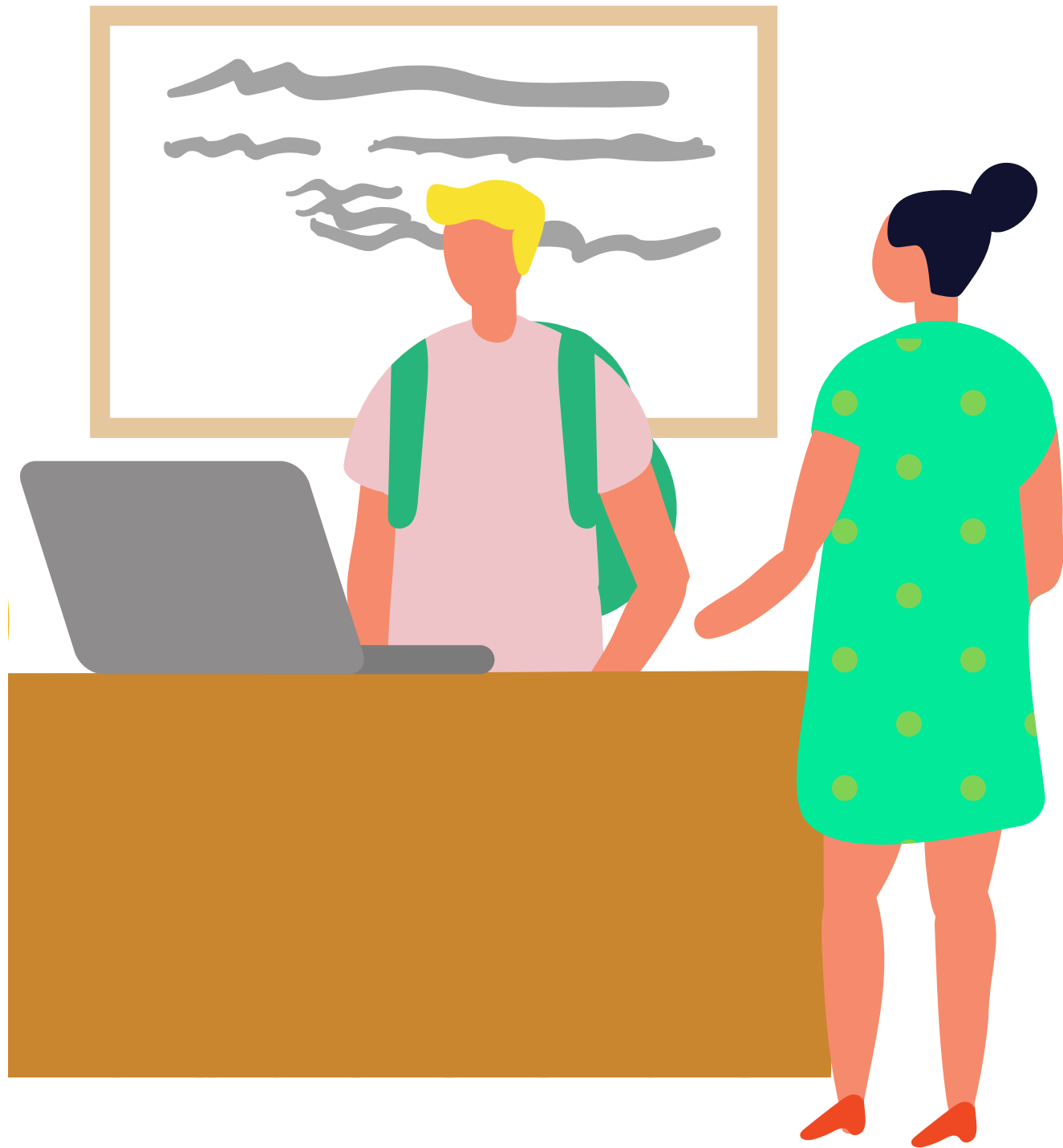


MURAL

A giant online notepad you can use to draw plans, create moodboards and workflows.

RESEARCH

SHARE THE STORY OF YOUR STREET



BECOMING A MEMBER OF EVERY ONE EVERY DAY

As your Tomorrow Today Street grows and more of your neighbours become involved, it's important that they become members of Every One Every Day so they are covered by the insurance policy and can take part in the programmes evaluation. A simple online digital sign up form has been created for you to share at sessions.

INTERESTING RESEARCH ROLES

Research isn't just about writing notes and recording numbers. You and your neighbours can take on different roles to keep track of your project and showcase all the amazing work you'll be doing together. The Photographer, The Counter, The Maker and The Writer are all roles for people to find creative ways to tell your streets story.

- What kind of resources or equipment are useful, how did you get water to the trees for example.
- Your experience setting up the project, what kinds of conversations did you have with neighbours, which themes came up, working together with other residents.
- Any challenges that came up, were you able to overcome them?
- The unexpected developments, what surprised you, what could have been done better?
- The highlights that may not seem like big events, but noticing the small developments is still important.

EVERY ONE EVERY DAY PRIVACY POLICY

Download and share the privacy policy with neighbours taking part in sessions so they know exactly how their information will be used.

HEALTH & SAFETY

If you do plan to grow an orchard, you may need some guidance on how to plant trees. They come in varying sizes, with exposed roots, meaning they need to get into the soil quite quickly. This is why scheduling a few planting days are recommended. This way you know that the trees and you and your neighbours have several dates to ensure the trees get planted. It also allows you to invite one of the Every One Every Day team to be able to support by running a tree planting workshop, so everyone can learn how to plant the trees. Meaning that if you don't manage to plant the trees all in a day, you can do so on a different day, if external circumstances prevent you from planting them all at once, such as weather!

Fruit trees require a lot of space, and digging into the ground is the first step in re-homing them. For this you will need to be able to physically dig a large hole, about 1m x 1m, so be ready for hard physical labour on the day, with gardening gloves and suitable shoes. The gloves, tools, tree equipment will all be lent by Every One Every Day, and if there is any other training you think you will need let one of the team know as relevant training can be provided.

TRAINING & SAFETY HAZARDS

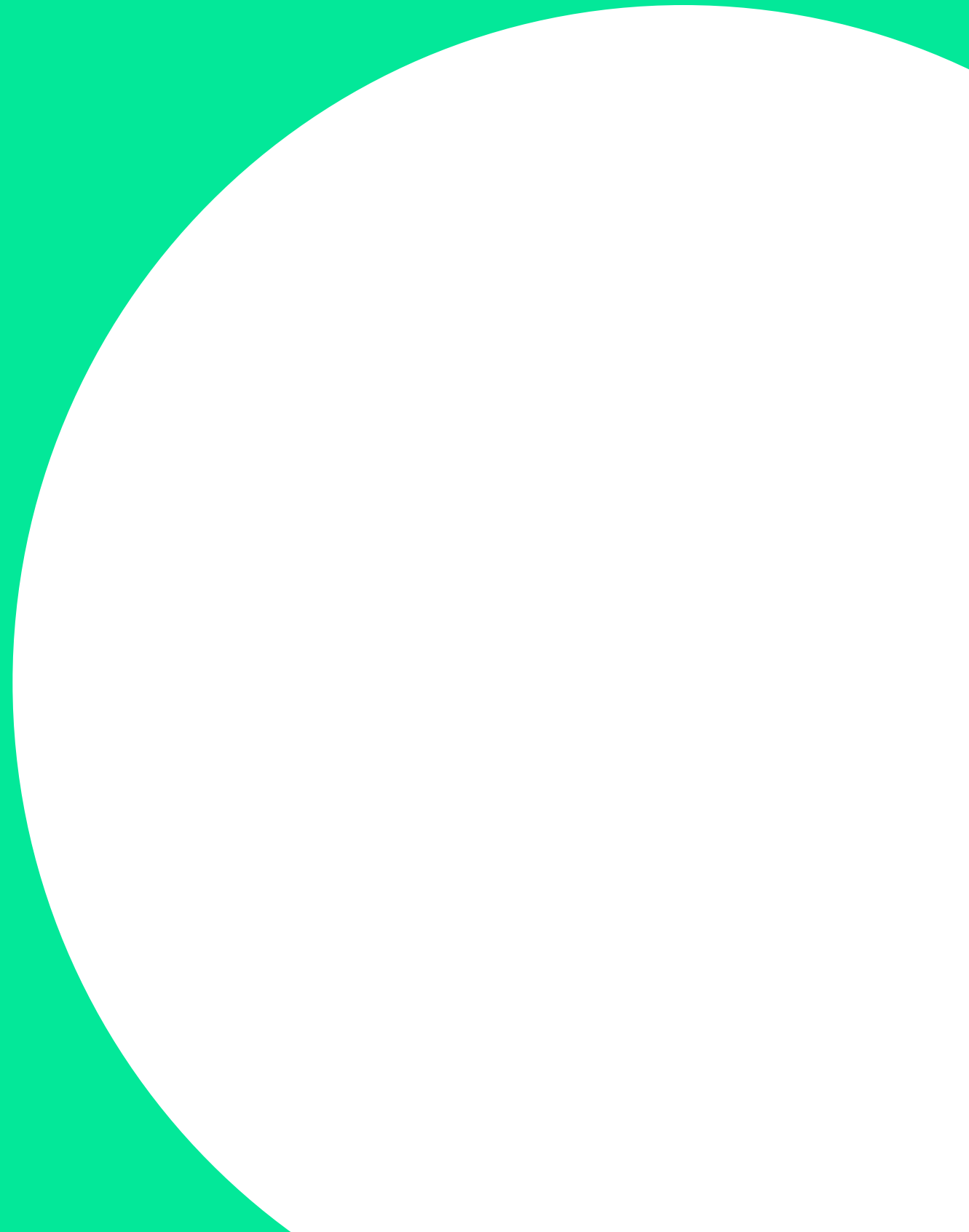


**TREE PLANTING
WORKSHOP**

HEALTH & SAFETY

FIRST AID

GETTING NEIGHBOURS INVOLVED



ROLES IN YOUR STREET

Tomorrow Today Street projects include a variety of roles that allows different people on your street to get involved in ways that best match their individual interests, skills and abilities. Here are some examples of roles that you might need for your street.

TEA MAKER

You will have the very important role of spreading positivity and putting smiles on faces by making and sharing warm beverages as everyone joins in with activities, sessions and games.

MEETER & GREETER

Help your neighbours feel welcomed as they show interest and join in with your project.

photographer

As the photographer, your role will be to capture memories and moments that shows your street as you take part in projects together. Ideas: how neighbours make decisions, how ideas grow and how much fun you have and what you learn during projects.



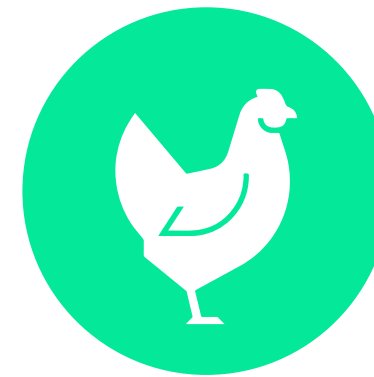
**GAMES MASTER
(HEAD OF GAMES)**



**BEE
BUDDY**



STORYTELLER



**CHICKEN
WHISPERER**



**FIRST
AIDER**



**PING PONG
PLAYER**



SHOPPER



**WASHER
UPPER**



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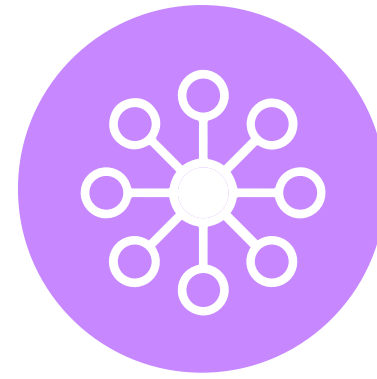
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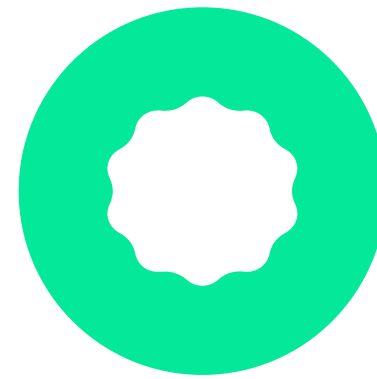
MEETER &
GREETER



CLOTHES
MENDER



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BADGE
MAKER



BAKER



KNITTER



WRITER



DIY
EXPERT



RESEARCHER



DOG
WALKER



Listener



MAKER

HOW TO COMMUNICATE

There are as many ways to communicate as there are ways to help each other out! For your group conversations, you can use a WhatsApp or Facebook group that everyone can join to stay up to date.

People over the world have different ways to talk to their neighbours, from putting up a note on their windows to writing nice messages on post-it notes... let your imagination fly!

A phone call to check in, a chat over the fence or on the street are also all good ways to share some neighbourliness.

For the less tech savvy amongst the group, these add a personal touch that all the other formats may not, so don't underestimate how far a text can go!

There are loads of ways to get neighbours involved, and a simple conversation is usually a good way to get things going. If there are neighbours you know that have children around a similar age, a knock on the door and a quick chat never goes a miss.

You can also put one or several posters up on your street to describe what the project is about and how your neighbours can get involved.



WHATSAPP

Whatsapp groups have become very popular because they allow people to send and receive messages, pictures, videos and voice notes.

Your Street Mentor can help you moderate your group if you need or give you advice on how to manage the group.

LEAFLETS, POSTERS & NEWSPAPERS

Posting leaflets through doors, and putting posters in the area helps inform those who you may not reach through door knocking.

You can leaflet to get people involved in your Tomorrow Today Street or inform them of an upcoming event.

FACEBOOK

You may want to create a private Facebook page, it's a popular way people can share videos, photos and plan! It's also a good way to create events and keep track of those coming along to sessions.

It's also a great way to save memory on your phones and computers by keeping it all online.

NEXT DOOR APP

The app is localised, so people living on nearby streets can recommend message each other, reach out for support or invite people to events.

GETTING OTHER PEOPLE INVOLVED

Don't forget that some of your neighbours might not be online so phone calls and chats over the fence or on the streets are also a good way to communicate and get people thinking about the future together.

It's really useful to have a way of staying in touch with everyone who's involved. Some people may want to be super involved, and others may want to help out for a little and take a pause, whatever the circumstance, you'll need to have an easy way to talk to each other.

BUDDY UP

There may be some people that aren't online, or have access to the internet that you've spoken to about the project. To keep them in the loop, buddy that person up with someone who preferably lives nearby who can hand deliver the message, or give them a ring about important changes, meetings and fun goings-on.



ORCHARD DESIGN

Invite your neighbours to every stage of the orchard design. Before planting the trees, maybe even before deciding on a location, ask as many of your neighbours. Someone may know an even better spot for the trees to grow than you have found!

It's also important to consult as many people as possible to give them a chance to oppose any decisions you do make, before it's too late. You also get extra help to make the project a success the more people know about it, as they can support the trees along the way when you can't.

MEETINGS

It's very easy for meetings to become a bit tiresome! But residents have developed all sorts of ways of keeping meetings light and efficient. They remain a great way of checking in, supporting each other and making group decisions to get things done!

- Set a time and try to stick to it.
- At the start of your meeting decide as a group what you want to discuss but leave space at the end for comments.
- Take it in turns keeping notes.
- If there is time prepare refreshments together.
- Bring inspirational prompts, you can even use music.

Remember this is a group project so we'll help to ensure no residents are left in a position whereby they're having to take on control of group decision-making and that opportunities are spread equally through the group.

MAKE MAGIC COMBINATIONS WITH NEIGHBOURS BY MIXING UP PROJECTS TOGETHER!



JAM JAM JAM

**OPEN
ORCHARD**
COLLECT FRUIT

+

**GREAT
COOK**
MASS JAM MAKING

+

LOAF
MAKE DELICIOUS BREAD
FROM YOUR JAM



PIE MAKING

**OPEN
ORCHARD**
COLLECT FRUIT

+

**OPEN
TABLE**
MASS PIE MAKING

+

**STREET
PARTY**
EAT THE DELICIOUS

PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

THESE BRIGHT AND COLOURFUL LEAFLETS AND POSTERS WILL HELP YOU GET YOUR NEIGHBOURS EXCITED AND LET THEM KNOW THEIR ROAD IS ABOUT TO BECOME A TOMORROW TODAY STREET!

INDOOR & OUTDOOR POSTERS

Waterproof and regular posters to catch your neighbours eye as they walk by. Pick a lamp post that gets a lot of traffic!

LEAFLETS

Pop these leaflets through your neighbours door.

NEWSPAPERS

Once you and two of your neighbours have started, you will be sent 30-50 newspapers to get even more people involved. The newspapers contain a breakdown of all 24 projects and all the introduction information.

CONTACT CARDS

A small card for you to write your name, email or phone number so your neighbours can get in touch to find out more.

OTHER MATERIALS

Posters, leaflets and social media are the best way to promote your event, you can place them on your street, at nearby cafes, communities spaces (such as libraries) and your front window.

It gives you the material to show people on your street the amazing things they can do and get involved in.

Our Every One Every Day shops will be more than happy to promote your event with posters and leaflets.

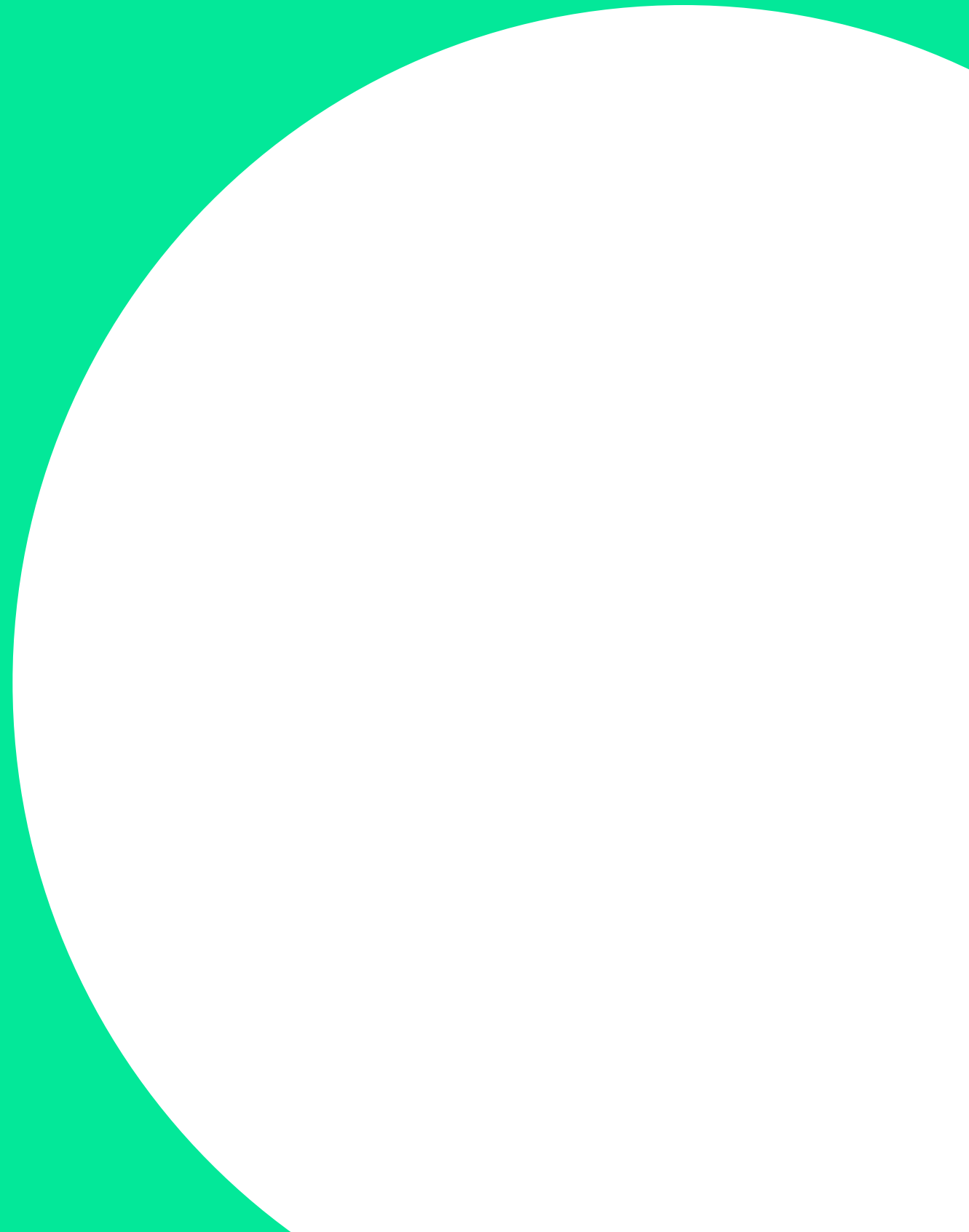
Signage is so important when laying down permanent features such as trees. Put up posters in prominent places like lampposts where they can easily be seen. If there is railing surrounding a green space you intend to plant in, you may want to put up a larger, laminated poster which won't get easily damaged by weather.

THIS KITS INCLUDES:

- First a poster inviting people who live on your street to join you in planning where the trees may go and organising other events
- Second you will receive posters to tell others about a set date when you have planned the activity.



HOW WILL THIS WORK ON STREET



HOW TO FIND THE PERFECT LOCATION

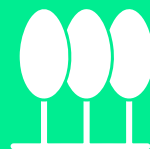
Rewilding your garden is a great first step, adopting a tree to plant in your front, back or communal garden is an excellent way to contribute to the natural surroundings and improve the quality of wildlife surrounding you.

There are endless benefits to this but looking further ahead there are also a number of other ways you can involve your neighbours and community.



HOW TO PLANT A TREE

YOU WILL NEED



TREES



WATERING
CAN



SPADE



STAKE & TIE



TREE GUARD
IF IN PUBLIC
SPACES

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Mark out where you are going to plant your tree to ensure planting design fits well in the desired space, and that trees, if planting multiple trees, are not too close together.
2. Cut down any excess weeds and grass to make the planting process easier. This will reduce competition for water and nutrients from soil.
3. Thoroughly soak the roots in water before planting.
4. Each tree requires an individual pit which should be dug with a spade and which is several centimetres wider and deeper than the tree roots.
5. Loosen the root ball to encourage roots to grow into the soil before putting it in the ground.
6. Any grass dug up to create a pit can be turned upside down and placed in the bottom. This will provide each tree with additional nutrients.
7. Position the tree into the hole and ensure all roots are below ground level. Where the roots meet the trunk is level with the surface of the soil surface, placing a piece of wood or string across the top of the hole can help you see the level.

8. Carefully backfill the soil around the tree while holding it up straight. Saplings left at an angle are at risk of snapping as they grow.

9. To compact the soil and reduce the chance of movement, firm the top layer around the sapling with your heel.

FEEDING & WATERING YOUR PLANTS

Make sure the soil in the pot or ground is damp, and plant the seeds 1 inch deep and then water them and keep the soil moist. The seedlings should appear in 5-10 days. Make sure each plant has around 20 inches of space around to give room to grow. Water regularly and avoid the soil drying out, particularly whilst they are young.

HOW TO PRESERVE FRUIT

Barking and Dagenham is well known for its allotments that produce an abundance of food every year, not to mention the parks that produce fruit for foraging every year. With Open Orchards adding to that, fruit is growing all around!

Preserving food has been done for centuries, it's something that people have been doing for years and it's something you can do with your Open Orchard. There are different versions of preserves all over the world. Make the most of your fruit trees!

Preserving is great because you can make jams, chutneys, mincemeat or kimchi and more! Preserving keeps all the goodness of fruit safely in a jar, ready for you to enjoy whenever you want. It's a useful way to reduce waste, and keep eating food that is naturally good for you. Once your fruit trees get going, you may find that you have more fruit than you can eat, so here are some ideas of what you can do to preserve your fruit.



CHUTNEYS

To make a chutney prepare fruit by cutting into small even-sized chunks, discarding any blemished pieces. Place in a large pan with sugar and vinegar and spices if you'd like, and cook down gently until the sugar is dissolved, stirring frequently. Simmer the mixture until the fruit or vegetables have softened and the consistency is thick and syrupy, with no runny liquid. Place the hot chutney into clean, hot jars and seal. It's that simple!



MINCEMEAT

Mincemeat is a traditional treat that is usually used as filling for mince pies, but it tastes great mixed with vanilla ice cream, as well. This recipe uses suet, you can use butter instead, which makes the mincemeat suitable for vegetarians. Store in the refrigerator for up to 6 weeks. In a bowl, mix together 110g sultanas, 170g each raisins and currants, 170g grated bramley apples, 110g suet, 200g soft brown sugar, 100g finely chopped mixed peel, 65g blanched and chopped almonds, ½ tbsp mixed spice, the zest and juice of 1 orange.

APPLE CRUMBLE



INGREDIENTS

1kg apples from your orchard

pinch sugar, to taste

1 tbsp water or apple juice

100g plain flour

75g butter

50g rolled oats

100g demerara sugar

METHOD

Preheat the oven to 200C/400F/Gas 6.

Wash and wipe the apples and cut them into quarters, then remove the cores and slice each piece in two.

Put them into a pan, taste a slice for sweetness and add a sprinkling of sugar accordingly.

Add a tablespoon of water or apple juice and cook over a medium heat for about five minutes, until the apples start to soften.

Transfer the apple mixture to a shallow ovenproof pie dish.

Blend the flour and butter in a food processor for a few seconds, until the mixture looks like breadcrumbs.

Stir in the oats and the brown sugar and sprinkle over the cooked apples in the pie dish.

Transfer to the oven to bake for 30 minutes or until crisp and golden-brown on top.

PLUM JAM

INGREDIENTS

900 g dessert plums (weight without stones) 2 tbsp lemon juice
4 tbsp water 1 knob butter approx 1 tsp
900 g sugar

METHOD

Halve the fruit and remove the stones.

Wash your jars and place in a low oven (see notes).

Put into a large pan with the water and cook gently until the plums are soft but not disintegrated.

Add the sugar and lemon juice and stir until the sugar has dissolved.

Bring to the boil, and boil rapidly, (rolling boil) then remove from the heat after 5 minutes and test for set (see notes).

When setting point has been reached, skim off the most of the froth (scum) into a bowl (you can still eat this, it's not dirty just frothy) then add the knob of butter which will disperse the remaining scum.

Let it cool for about 15 minutes so the fruit settles and doesn't sink to the bottom of the jars.

Ladle into sterilised jars and leave to cool before sealing.

STERILISE JARS

Thoroughly wash the jars, rinse in cold water, then turn upside down on a baking tray. Place in the oven and turn the heat on very low and leave for about 15 minutes, remove just before filling.

To Test for Set

After about 5 mins, spoon a little jam onto a cold saucer. Place it back in the fridge for 2 minutes then push the jam with your fingertip. If it wrinkles, the jam is ready. If not, cook for a few mins more and test again, with another cold saucer. If you have a sugar thermometer, it will read 105C when ready.



CHERRY LATTICE PIE



INGREDIENTS

500g pack frozen shortcrust pastry block, defrosted

480g dark sweet cherries from your tree

60g ground almonds

3.5 tbsp white caster sugar

1 medium egg, beaten with 1 tbsp cold water

METHOD

1. Preheat the oven to 200°C, fan 180°C, gas 6. Put a baking sheet in the oven to heat up.
2. Roll out 375g of the pastry and use it to line a 1-litre pie dish, trimming any excess pastry with a knife.
3. Mix together the frozen cherries, ground almonds and 3 tbsp of the caster sugar, and tip into the pastry-lined pie dish.
4. Roll out the remaining pastry and cut into long strips. Weave the strips together over the pie filling to form a lattice pattern. Press down the edges to seal and trim off any excess pastry. Brush the lattice with the beaten egg glaze and sprinkle over the rest of the sugar.
5. Transfer the pie to the hot baking sheet and bake for 45-50 minutes until the pastry is crisp and golden.

OPEN ORCHARD EXAMPLES



COMPANY DRINKS

Company Drinks is a new type of company, where the commercial supports the communal and cultural. Each year, they run a full drinks production cycle of growing, picking, processing, branding, bottling, trading and reinvesting. They produce syrups, sodas, saps, tonics, ciders, pops and beers. And they create an open, inter-generational and cross-cultural public space, where they can meet to produce something useful with and for each other.

They began in 2014, with a simple invitation to residents in the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham to go picking again. Every year more than 1200 people from across the borough engage with their company through picking trips, workshops, public events.



HACKNEY HARVEST

A project mapping the fruit trees that are tucked away in squares, parks and gardens around Hackney. Once the mapping has taken place Hackney Harvest helps local people make the most of the fruit so it does not simply fall to the ground and go to waste. They post useful information on this website, including how to identify fruit trees and recipes to encourage the owners of trees to convert the fruit into delicious food, and if anyone doesn't have the time they collect the fruit.



GASCOIGNE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Gascoigne Primary School is based over two sites in Barking. The teachers at the school wanted to engage families to plant fruit trees together. They're invested in educating children, and they were keen to show them where fruit comes from. The teachers at the school found a spot opposite the school gates in between the two sites, easily accessible all year round, whether the school is open or not. With parents and the help of Every One Every Day, 5 fruit trees were planted, that will mature over time. Planting fruit trees allows people to learn and be a part of growing their own fruit. In fact, the young trees have already sprouted fruit! Soon locals will be able to enjoy cherries, apples and pears.



FALLEN FRUIT

Three friends decided to wear hard hats and boiler suits and push a shopping trolley round on night walks to gather unpicked fruit. Over 100 people joined them on night fruit forages, neighbours invited them in to pick fruit in the backyard, and groups of residents gathered to make public fruit jam. Public Fruit Jam invites everyone to come with home grown or street-picked fruit and make jam together. People who have never met before sit down to make experimental jam combinations. Working without recipes, so every jam is a negotiation among its makers.

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

The borough is full of green corners, often unused and under appreciated. Could you imagine if the corners filled up with blooming fruit trees and plants, and became spaces you and your neighbours got something out of?

You need to find a patch that has room for 5 trees or more, evenly spaced out, that is easy to access. You may want to think about how close the green space is to roads, in case you plan to have other activities once you choose a spot for your Open Orchard. You will need to find a space where the young trees have room to

grow. Think about them at their biggest, so there is room for them at their tallest and widest. Think about where the branches may extend out too, also how far out the roots may grow! You will need to dig a hole of about 1mx1m, and the soil may be dry and hard, so choose a time after it has rained. Trees generally need to be planted in late autumn, so be prepared for the ground to be tough, and be prepared with the right tools and strong helping hands. Also consider spaces that people may use to fly tip, as converting an area into an orchard can often deter anti social activity! This

has been proven in cases all over the world, but also right here in Barking and Dagenham. Check out the Westbury Community Space next to the flyover on the corner of Wedderburn Road and St Awdrys!



ENJOY THE PROJECT

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS
OR NEED ANY HELP, PLEASE
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