

SteYning For Trees Help Fight Climate Change



Welcome to our May 2026 Newsletter

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SUPPORT STEYNING FESTIVAL 2026

SteYning for Trees are so glad to be supporting this great **COMMUNITY EVENT** in our lovely town where we are all so **fortunate** to live. We have organised some interesting **talks** reflecting the best of **environmental influencers** and our own **wonderful group** of people with a bit, or sometimes, a lot of land who are doing so much for **biodiversity** and **nature** here.

We very much want to flag up **THEIR contribution** and **hard work** along with our **community volunteers** all getting their spades in the ground, not just talking about it. **SFT** likes to give credit where credit is due, not just take it ourselves they have been doing this for **7 years** now.



An amazing **11,000 tree saplings, 24 hedges** planted by **SFT** community volunteers, on land provided by these landowners. Come and **support** them and the **Festival** on our **TREE AND TEA TOUR** on **Saturday 30th May**. Buy your leaflet guide, this is also your ticket, through the Festival [website](#), or from the [bookshop](#); go and see these lovely **hidden gems**, hosting **wildlife**, take your **binoculars** and **cameras**. Go by **bike, run, walk** or by car. Talk to their **enthusiastic owners** who are doing so much for nature here. Then come and **relax** in Mouse Cottage's **wilded garden**, the thatched house in Mouse Lane, or at the Bowls Club for **Tea and Cake**. You will be helping to directly support **biodiversity**. A **hedge/wildlife corridor** does so much and it will be **here for life** not just one season, **feeding**, and **sheltering** our **precious wildlife** and **nature**.

Enormous **thanks** to [Mayo Wynne Baxter](#) the family Solicitors, for printing our leaflets. They support so many good causes throughout Sussex including Crawley Football Club, the home of Brighton and Hove Seagulls WOMEN.



SFT have asked **DAME EJ MILNER-GULLAND**, Prof. of Biodiversity at Oxford University has accepted **SFT's** invitation to come on **Saturday 23rd May** in the **evening** to talk at the Penfold Hall about how local people should have their say. Book tickets [here](#). She was a pupil of the Grammar School taught by our co-chair. She has been out in Australia for 2 months at Melbourne University on a Distinguished Visitor Fellowship.



REV PETER OWEN-JONES who has a regular environmental column in Sussex Life is here on **Tuesday 26th May** in the **evening** at the Penfold Hall. He will be showing us the **wonderful film** he did for the BBC on the South Downs National Park and answering questions. Book tickets [here](#). This **beautiful** film shows so many places we all **know and love** on our doorstep. He talks to people we all **know and work with**. What a treat.

The Economist Article: Saving the Planet, one Hedge at a Time.

Thanks to all who have pointed this full page **praise** of **hedges/wildlife corridors** out to us. You all heard about it **7 years ago from SFT**, ahead of the curve!

Stop Birds Injuring Themselves on Large Windows

Buy black images of raptors to **stick** on large expanses of **windows**. This **deters** birds from flying into them. We wish we had done this a few years back, returning home to find an **injured sparrowhawk**. It had flown into our conservatory window. We took it to the vet, it had a broken leg and had to be put down.



Remember: Trees are front-line warriors in the fight against climate change.

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