

Llandrindod Pomarium Committee Friends of Rock Park and Trawsnewid Llandrindod Transition pomarium@transitionllandrindod.org.uk

Community Orchard

Dear supporter,

You may have already heard about this new advance in local sustainability, but we would like to give you some more information, and invite you to be involved. The Pomarium project is next to a Roman site on Alexandra Playing Fields, adjacent to Rock Park. Friends of Rock Park (FORP) and Llandrindod Transition (TLT) have been granted a license by the council to manage an area of 2.5 acres as a free community orchard. This will be a joint venture involving many local people and organisations, and will provide a diverse range of fruits through the summer, autumn and winter. Once the trees and bushes are planted, the produce will be entirely free to all.

The first stage of the orchard is developing nicely, and now it's time to organise the next planting day. In order guarantee a wide range of suitable (hardy!) fruits, we are co-ordinating the tree-buying process. This enables us to obtain favourable rates, and also to produce signs and other materials to help it to thrive. A generous grant from the Town Council has covered some major initial costs. All we need now is for more local businesses and people to get involved and to sponsor plants.

The sponsorship of a fruit tree (or bushes) will work through the attached list. This list allows you to choose the fruit and variety that you would like to see, and allows us to co-ordinate your responses to make sure there is a good selection. We may come back to you and suggest an alternative if some items prove too popular! Each tree will cost £30, while £20 will purchase a pair of bushes. Any excess will cover hidden costs such as signs, stakes, and netting.

We very much hope you will take this opportunity to contribute to Llandrindod's latest social adventure, and be there at the beginning of a project for posterity. A fruit tree is a contribution to the long-term sustainability of our town, and a community orchard encourages everyone to work together on a project that benefits us all.

If you would like to take part, please make a choice on the attached sheet, and send your payment as soon as possible, and certainly before the end of September. We plan to have the second planting event in October (date to be fixed), together with an official opening.

We look forward to hearing from you, and to helping you plant your trees!

With best regards,

Hilary Macaulay, Lucy Muir, Joe Botting and Flo Greaves

The trees and bushes available are listed below; please select what you would like to donate, and feel free to specify a particular variety that you're particularly fond of (we'll see what we can do!).

Tree/bush	Cost	Please tick
Apple (we're looking at traditional varieties, especially)	£30	
Plum (including damson, greengage and others)	£30	
Cherry	£30	
Pear	£30	
Mulberry	£30	
Medlar	£30	
Quince	£30	
Other (please suggest!)	£30	
Blackcurrant	£20 (pair)	
Redcurrant/whitecurrant	£20 (pair)	
Tayberry	£20 (pair)	
Loganberry	£20 (pair)	
Goji Berry	£20 (pair)	
Fuchsia (edible fruits)	£20 (pair)	
Raspberry	£20 (pair)	
Elaeagnus (edible fruits)	£20 (pair)	
Other suggestions	£20 (pair)	

Other comments:

## Contact details

Contact details			
Please tick this box if you would like to help with planting days, pruning and other work:			
Please tick this box if you wish to receive email updates about Pomarium developments:			
Name	Telephone	Address or email	

Note: we will not pass on your details to any third parties, and will use them only in relation to the Pomarium project (particularly in case of a problem with your choice of tree).

Please make cheques payable to "**Friends of Rock Park – Orchard Account"** and send it to Lucy Muir or Joe Bottting at Chatsworth (above The Candyman), Spa Road, Llandrindod LD1 5EY.

Llandrindod will benefit from your generosity for many years to come!