

Objective	sub category	Action			Priority Ranking	Cost (value in £)					Timing			Owner			Review	
		What?	How?	Where?		Investigation / Feasibility	Capital	Other	Benefit	Potential Funding Source	Timeframe	Start Date	Approx. Duration	Lead Dep't H&F	Primary Support	Other Stakeholders	Frequency	Next Review Date
Increasing canopy cover	Opportunity mapping	Undertake borough wide opportunity mapping	Mapping planting opportunities by officers and compiled in GIS	Borough Wide	High	60000	20000		Planting projects ready to deliver when funding is available.	LBHF	Medium	Aug-23	2 years	HIGHWAYS	PARKS			
Increasing canopy cover	Opportunity mapping	Undertake trail tree pit programme	Investigation of planting opportunities for trees by excavating areas. If viable a tree is planted.	Borough Wide	Medium	5000	100000		Increase canopy cover, shading, aesthetic value on streets.	LBHF, S106,	Medium	Apr-24	5 years	HIGHWAYS	ALL	Residents and businesses	Annually	Mar-25
Increasing canopy cover	Opportunity mapping	Undertake a planting programme across all sites (number of trees to be detailed)	planting of X (TBC based on 2.5% increase) new trees						Sustainable urban drainage, urban cooling, CO2 sequestration	LBHF, S106	Medium	Apr-24	7 years	HIGHWAYS	ALL		Annually	
Increasing canopy cover	Funding	Tree donation programme	Create a borough wide tree donation website. Application are directed to the relevant departments handling the application with a finance system in place to manage donations.	Borough wide	Medium	5,000	10000	TBC (top up funding from council to support it)	Increases tree canopy cover	Residents and partners, LBHF	Medium	Jan-24	7 years	PARKS	HIGHWAYS	Consult with Resident groups	6 months	Dec-23
Increasing canopy cover	Funding	Maximise external funding through applications - bid officer	Coordinate funding opportunities to make sure teams are aware of opportunities and protential projects are thoroughly researched and worked through before submissions are made	Across all departments involved in the tree strategy & finance	High	50000			Increasing income to deliver more projects and free up capital resources + added benefits of developing partnership working	LBHF to fund a fundraising officer (should end up paying for itself)	medium-long	Apr-24	permenant officer position, cost annual cost	CCU	ALL		Annually	Mar-25
Increasing canopy cover	Funding	Working with businesses and climate alliance	create opportunities for local businesses to support tree planting projects - ties in with developing funding opportunities	Borough wide	High	20000	n/a		Increasing income to deliver more projects and free up capital resources + added benefits of developing partnership working	LBHF	medium-long	Apr-24	permenant officer position 0.4 FTE	CCU	ALL		Annually	Apr-25
Increasing canopy cover	Legacy planting	Plant one tiny forests per year	Parks team to look into potential future sites with climate change team	Borough Wide	Medium	10,000	TBC (parks)		Increase biodiversity & canopy cover	UTCF, LATF, Woodland Trust, Lottery Funding	Medium	Jan-24	7 years	PARKS	ALL	Consult with resident groups/councillors	Annually	Jan-25
Increasing canopy cover	Legacy planting	Process mapping and map all whips and whip planting	Tree survey of new woodland areas, 10 yrs after TF maintenance. Mapping areas on Confirm to aid in management	Borough Wide	Medium	BAU			Improved mapping and asset knowledge	LBHF	Medium	Apr-24	2 years	PARKS	HIGHWAYS		Annually	Jan-25
Increasing canopy cover	Legacy planting	Plant 100 whips per year (in addition to tiny forests)	Officers in all departments to apply for funding and monitor works, support from parks	Borough wide	Medium	BAU	10000		Increases tree canopy cover and species diversity	Forestry Comission, UTCF/LF/WT, LATF, LBHF	Medium	Nov-24	7 years	PARKS	HOUSING	Resident groups/Concillors	Annually	Nov-25
Increasing canopy cover	Private land	Encourage planting on land owned and maintained by Transport for London (TfL) and Network Rail		Borough wide	Medium									HIGHWAYS	PARKS			
Increasing canopy cover	Private land	Undertake a tree giveaway to residents annually	Purchase trees (whips) or source saplings (eg from Scrubs) and organise giveaway events annually (winter)	Borough wide	Low / medium	5000	1000		Engagement with residents and ability to directly influence an increase in tree planting in private spaces - whips more likely to survive due to high level of care provided	Climate change drawdown fund or free tree sources	long	Sep-23	7 years	CCU	PARKS	Local businesses (eg garden centres to host giveaways) and partner organisation who might supply free trees (eg TCV or Woodland Trust)	Annually	Apr-24
Increasing canopy cover	Private land	Collect data and map borough wide ecosystems services	Gnetian survey data supplemented by LBHF data	Borough Wide	High	5000	2000		Greater understanding of current tree stock to map potential for further planting	LBHF	Short	Sep-23	1 year	HIGHWAYS	CCU		Annually	Sep-24

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Preserving and improving tree stock	Increasing biodiversity	Develop a replacement tree standard	Gather evidence on current tree planting practices and use to inform policy	Borough Wide	High	20000			Well evidenced reasoning for planting programme to understand benefits of planting particular species in particular locations	LBHF	Long	Apr-24	2 years	HIGHWAYS	ALL		Annually	Mar-25
Preserving and improving tree stock	Increasing biodiversity	Develop mapping for biosecurity and monitor annually	Update tree inspection programme to include identification of biosecurity concerns. Create heat maps of biosecurity concerns over time	Borough Wide	High	10000	4000		Early identification of concerns that could affect tree stock.	LBHF	Long	Apr-24	7 years	HIGHWAYS	ALL		Annually	Mar-25
Preserving and improving tree stock	Increasing biodiversity	To scrutinise species selection of all trees to be planted, ensuring that native or nativar species are considered.	Develop a planting matrix that ensures species selection is justified at all locations, even replacement trees. This will ensure that where appropriate native and nativars are selected.	Borough Wide	High	BAU	BAU		Increase the amount of native trees and improve local biodiversity	LBHF	Long	Spet 24	1 year	HIGHWAYS	CCU and PARKS		Annually after each planting cycle	Apr-25
Preserving and improving tree stock	Development opportunities	Develop internal procedure for assessing planning notices for works on trees	Internal procedure for reviewing S211 notices, TPO applications	Borough wide	High	BAU			Ensures that notices are dealt with and that proposed works are assessed to minimise tree damage and loss		Short	Apr-24	1 year	PLANNING	HIGHWAYS	Parks and Housing	Annual	Apr-25
Preserving and improving tree stock	Development opportunities	Maintenance plans for trees on development sites												PLANNING	ALL			Still to be finalised
Preserving and improving tree stock	Development opportunities	Improve and define pre-application guidance for arboriculture	Encourage developers to seek pre-application arboricultural advice. Update webpages to advise developers on local policy and guidance on arboricultural assessments and requirements that must be considered	Borough wide	Medium	3000	0		Ensuring that new new developments aim to achieve maximum canopy cover and that existing trees are protected.	LBHF	Medium	Jan-24	2 years	PLANNING	ALL		Annually	Jan-25
Preserving and improving tree stock	Development opportunities	Develop a tree replacement standard on developments												PLANNING	ALL			Still to be finalised
Preserving and improving tree stock	Developing policy	Check and revise all internal policies	Ensure all policy is adhering to new legislation and guidance	Borough Wide	Medium	BAU			Ensures that LBHF are compliant with good practice and legislation		Long	Sep-24	7 years	HIGHWAYS	ALL		Annually	Apr-25
Preserving and improving tree stock	Developing policy	Produce a waste management strategy for tree waste	Internally develop and deliver a waste strategy for parks, housing & highways tree waste, in collaboration with the tree contractor.	Borough wide	Low	BAU			Increase sustainability and reducing our carbon footprint.	LBHF	Medium	Jan-24	1 year	PARKS	HIGHWAYS	Resident groups/Concillors	Annually	Jan-25
Preserving and improving tree stock	Developing policy	Produce a Veteran Tree Policy	Research and map all veteran trees in the borough. Use veteran tree forum for support & guidance.	Borough wide	Low	BAU			Maintain cultural, historical and nature conservation value	LBHF	Low	Jan-24	2 years	PARKS		Planning department/ Local resident groups		Jan-26
Preserving and improving tree stock	Developing policy	Produce a whip management plan	Parks team to develop a policy on this internally with housing support	Borough wide	Low	BAU			Increase efficiency	LBHF	Low	Jan-24	1 year	PARKS	HOUSING		2yrs	Jan-26
Preserving and improving tree stock	Training and development	Internal Tree group to meet quarterly	Officers involved in arboriculture and green infrastructure across the council to meet quarterly to discuss practices and innovation.		Medium	BAU			Share knowledge and skills. Ensure that best practices are being followed	LBHF	Low	Sep-24	7 years	HIGHWAYS	ALL		Annually	Sep-25
Preserving and improving tree stock	Training and development	Training programme for wider officers	Undertake basic arboriculture training for highway inspectors, parks officers and housing officers		Medium	1000	5000		Increase wider knowledge of H&S aspects of trees	LBHF	Medium	Apr-24	2 years	HIGHWAYS	ALL		Annually	Mar-25
Preserving and improving tree stock	Training and development	Training for contractors	Undertake basic arboriculture training for highway, parks, and housing contractors who work around trees.		Medium	1000	5000		Increase wider knowledge of H&S aspects of trees and ensure that best practices are used when working around trees	LBHF	Medium	May-24	3 years	HIGHWAYS	PARKS	Contractors	Annually	Apr-25
Working with residents and partners	Improving communications	Update website, FAQ section, annual reporting	Review and update webpages ensuring that all information and clear and consistent. Submit annual tree statistics on the website. Write quarterly articles in Climate Connects on tree management		High	BAU			Improve the access to tree resources for residents	LBHF	Short	Jan-24	1 year	HIGHWAYS	ALL	Communicat ion team	Annually	Jan-25
Working with residents and partners	Improving communications	Annual resident survey on tree service	Compile and publish a survey for residents. Survey to focus on the service quality, resident involvement, and requests.	Borough wide	Medium	15000	5000		Highlight areas for service improvements and future projects	LBHF	Long	Apr-24	7 years	HIGHWAYS	ALL	Communicat ion team	Annually	Apr-25

Working with residents and partners	Improving communications	Provide information on tree management for private trees	Update website for information private tree management. To include information on maintenance, emergencies, approved suppliers and trees in conservation areas.	Borough wide	High	BAU			Improve private tree management		Medium	Apr-24	3 years	HIGHWAYS	PLANNING	CCU, Communication	Annually	Mar-25	
Working with residents and partners	Improving communications	TPO records on line	Map in GIS all TPOs and publish on the LBHF website, and establish a procedure for updating this.	Borough wide	Medium	10000	10000		Improve the access to TPO data and management of this information	LBHF	Medium	Jul-24	2 years	PLANNING	HIGHWAYS		Annually	Jul-25	
Working with residents and partners	Education	Booking facility and promotion of forest schools	Develop internally a booking facility on the H&F website to streamline the process of bookings for schools and groups.	Borough wide	Low	BAU	10000		Raise awareness of the importance of woodland conservation, better management and understanding of the use of forest schools	LBHF	Low	Dec-24	2 years	PARKS	CCU		Annually	Dec-25	
Working with residents and partners	Education	Develop an online map of tree wa	Public access to a map of tree species	Borough wide	Low	15,000	10000	TBC / need IT	Education in relation to tree species and identification of trees and increasing access to information, improving health and wellbeing	Internal	Low	Jan-25	2 years	PARKS	CCU		Annually	Dec-26	
Working with residents and partners	Education	Promote cultural trees	Develop officer led tree walks with climate change team across park & housing sites. Promote cultural trees and their use.	Borough wide	Low	BAU	LBHF		Increased community engagement & resident wellbeing	Internal	Low	Jan-24	1 year	PARKS	CCU	Community groups	2yrs	Jan-26	
Working with residents and partners	Community Projects	Tree watering project	Work with comms to develop an engagement plan to encourage residents and those in the borough to identify vulnerable trees and protect them during droughts.	Borough Wide	High	10000	2000		Engagement with residents and increased survival rate for vulnerable trees	LBHF	Long	Sep-23	7 years	HIGHWAYS	ALL	idverde, friends groups, schools & community organisations	Annually	Sep-24	
Working with residents and partners	Community Projects	Establish Tree champion/warden project	Develop an engagement plan to encourage residents and those in the borough to identify vulnerable trees and protect them during droughts	Borough Wide	High	10000	2000		Engagement with residents and increased survival rate for vulnerable trees	LBHF	Long	Jan-24	7 years	HIGHWAYS	CCU	Council contractors, Friends groups, schools & community organisations	Annually	Jan-25	
Working with residents and partners	Community Projects	Housing resident liaison	Estate walkabouts and planting projects	H&F Housing Estates	High	5000	30000	30000	Increased community engagement & resident wellbeing, increased canopy cover	UCTF, LATF	Medium	Sep-23	3 years	HOUSING	CCU	TRAs	6 months	Feb-24	
Working with residents and partners	Community Projects	Parks community planting	Planting projects	Borough wide	Low	BAU	20000		Increased community engagement & resident wellbeing	Internal, UCTF, LATF	Low	Jan-25	1 year	PARKS		Community groups	1yr	Jan-26	
Working with residents and partners	Community Engagement	Annual meeting and engagement	Organise a collective panel of members to discuss scheduled tree works and ongoing tree planting. Upcoming or proposed project per group.	Borough wide	Low	BAU	2000		Increased community engagement & resident wellbeing	Internal	Low	Jan-25	7 years	PARKS	CCU	Community groups	Annually	Jan-26	
Working with residents and partners	Community engagement	Urban ecology walks	Organise two urban ecology walks in the borough with residents	Borough wide	Low	5000	2000		Increased community engagement & resident wellbeing	Internal	Low	Feb-25	8 years	CCU	Highways/Parks	Community groups	Annually	Jan-26	
Working with residents and partners	Community Engagement	TBC housing	TRA enagement meeting - TBC											HOUSING					

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