



The role and activities of the Sherwood Forest Trust

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Our Mission



To champion the protection, preservation and promotion of Sherwood Forest





Who we are

- **Charity since 1995**
- **Limited Company since 2009**
- **Work across Nottinghamshire, Nottingham and Bolsover**
- **Board of 12 Trustees**
- **2 full time and 3 part time staff**
- **Thousands of volunteer hours**



What we do

- Habitat, woodland and landscape scale improvements
- Heritage and culture development
- Education and training
- Community festivals and events
- Partnership projects
- Empowering communities
- Tourism and visitor economy
- Strategic coordination
- Information and advice



What have we achieved?

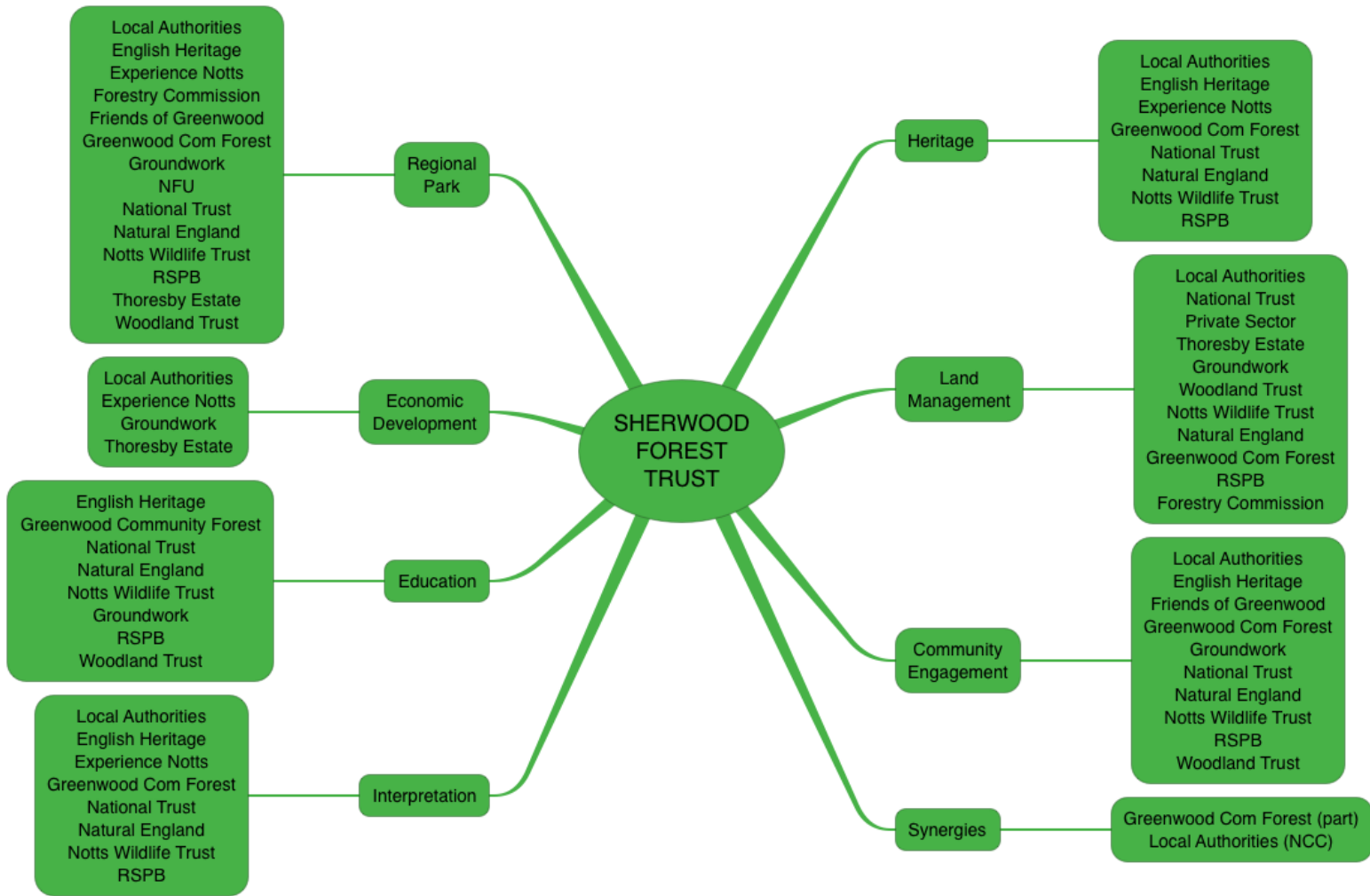
- £7m + investment in Sherwood
- 90 + projects supported
- 500 + landowners/farmers engaged
- Land and habitat surveys and plans
- Major public surveys of Sherwood (2014, 2015, 2016)
- Community events and celebrations
- Education resource packs
- 1000s of trees planted – Big Tree Plant



Building our Resilience

- 2016 – a new business plan and model
- Broader funding portfolio
- Increasing range of projects
- Stronger governance arrangements
- Expanded networks
- Refreshed supporters scheme
- Re-defining the ‘Spirit of Sherwood’





Current projects

- Sherwood Forest Visitor Centre
- Countryside Stewardship Facilitation – Guardians of Sherwood (14,000 hectares)
- Sherwood Forest Regional Park
- Sherwood Habitats Strategy Group
- Miner 2 Major (LPS)
- Trees for Schools (Woodland Trust)
- Forest Charter 2017 – Champion for Trees, Woods and People
- Take Five (with Each Amazing Breath)
- Pilgrim Fathers (BBC)



Current projects – cont

- Discover King John's Palace
- Newstead Abbey Partnership
- Festivals - Robin Hood, Major Oak Woodland Festival , Sparkling Sherwood
- Landscape designs and plans – golf clubs
- Sherwood Centre for Environmental Excellence
- Community engagement programme – Oak Tree Heath
- Sherwood Heath – Green Flag Award with Newark and Sherwood DC



The Sherwood Forest Ask

Below are examples of some of our project costs during a year:

- Sherwood Lectures £1,500
- Sparkling Sherwood £2,500
- Major Oak Woodland Festival £10,000
- Sherwood Forest Visitor Centre £20,000
- Sherwood Centre for Environmental Excellence £50,000





Holistic benefits



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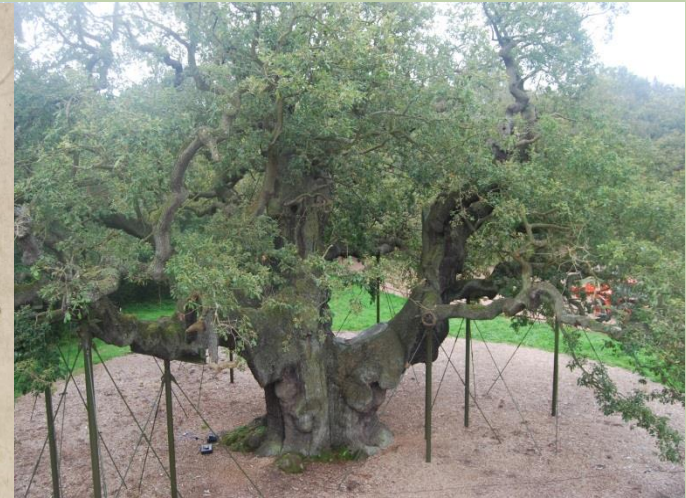
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Any questions?