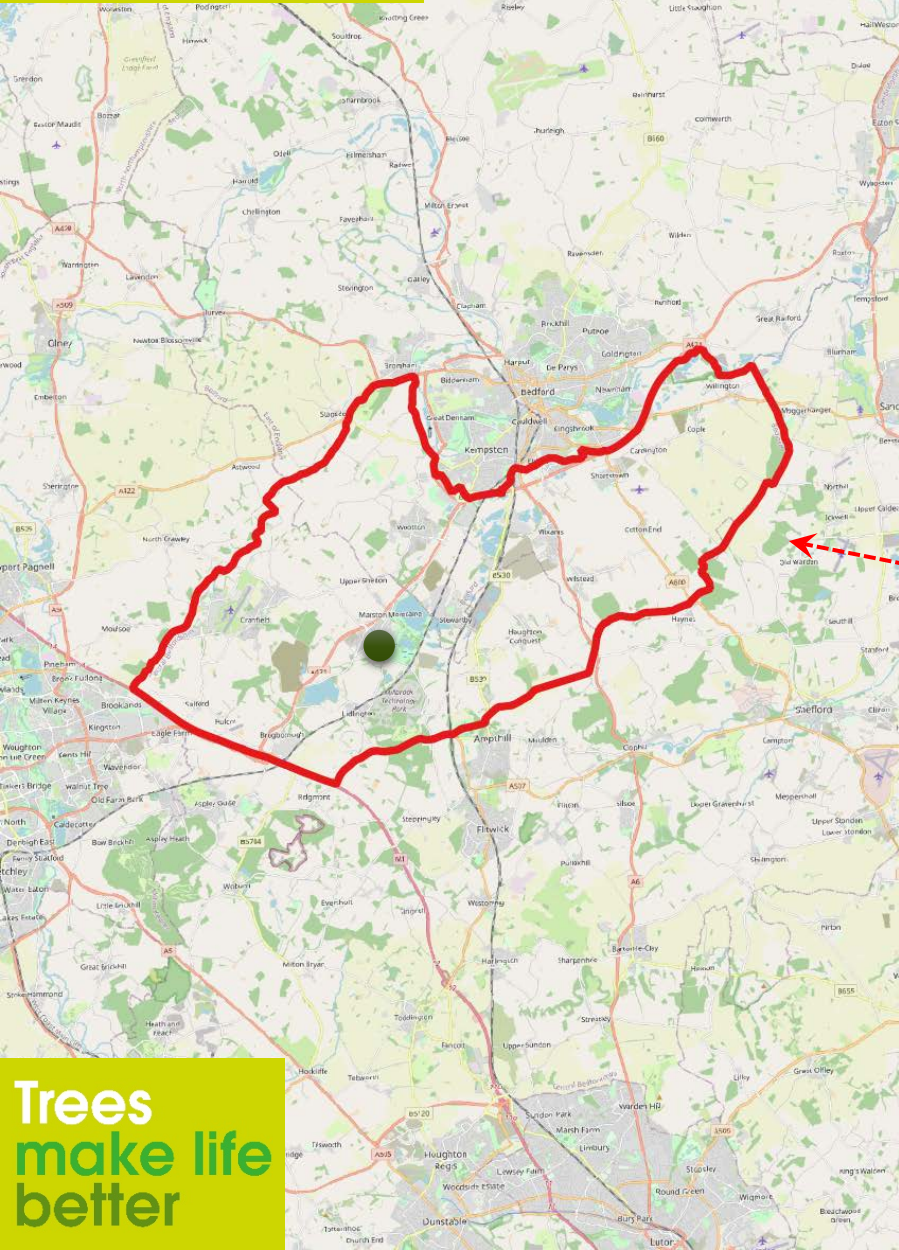




Forest of Marston Vale

Trees for Climate is a multi-million pound woodland creation programme, part of the national Government-led Nature for Climate Fund.

Trees for Climate is being delivered by **England's Community Forests**, a partnership of organisations across the country which have been transforming the landscapes and communities in and around our largest towns and cities for over thirty years.



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We're using our Trees for Climate funds to offer a **single, flexible grant scheme** specifically for farmers and landowners within the Forest of Marston Vale.

- o Grants are **highly bespoke** and locally managed;
- o Designed to **reward [public] benefits** delivered by any proposed woodland;
- o Designed to **support a range of types of 'woodland'**, including agroforestry and hedgerows;
- o Grants are **not dependant on public access**, but additional funding available for public access.

Trees for Climate can support...



Multi-purpose woodland (>5 ha)

Minimum of 1,600 tree per ha
No single species more than 70%
Up to 20% woody shrubs



Low density tree planting

Minimum of 100 trees per ha
Minimum final canopy cover of 20%
across area planted
Species appropriate to context



Small scale tree planting (0.5-4.99 ha)

Minimum of 1,100 trees per ha
Up to 20% woody shrubs



Hedgerows with / without trees

5 plants per linear metre
Trees planted every 15 metres as
appropriate
70% native or locally characteristic



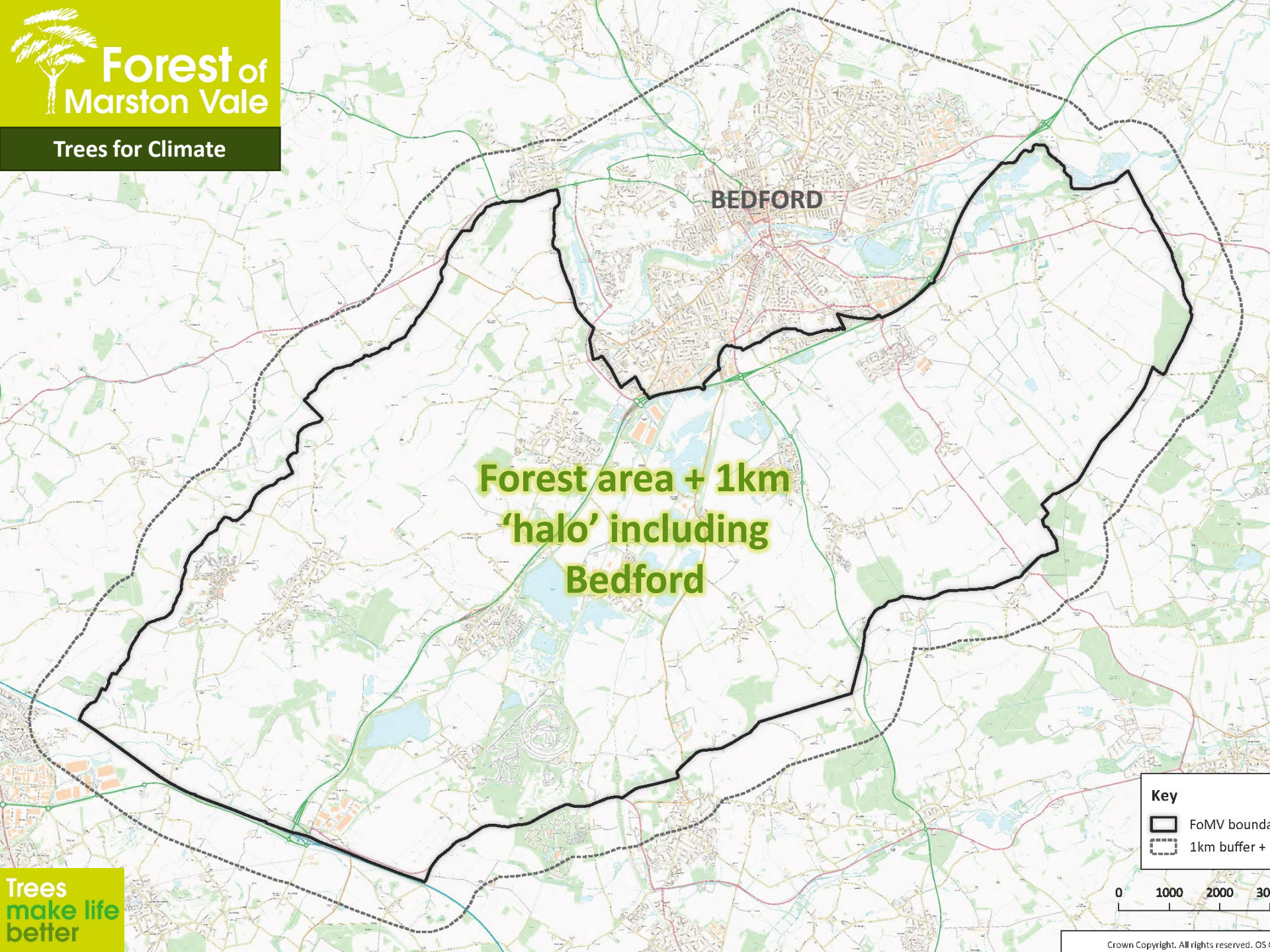
Very small scale tree planting (0.1-0.49 ha)

Minimum of 1,100 trees per ha
Up to 20% woody shrubs
Fruit trees accepted



Natural colonisation

Must achieve minimum of 60% woody
cover and 100 trees per ha within ten
years



**Forest area + 1km
'halo' including
Bedford**

Key

-  FoMV boundary
-  1km buffer +

0 1000 2000 3000

Trees for Climate - farm woodland “offer”:

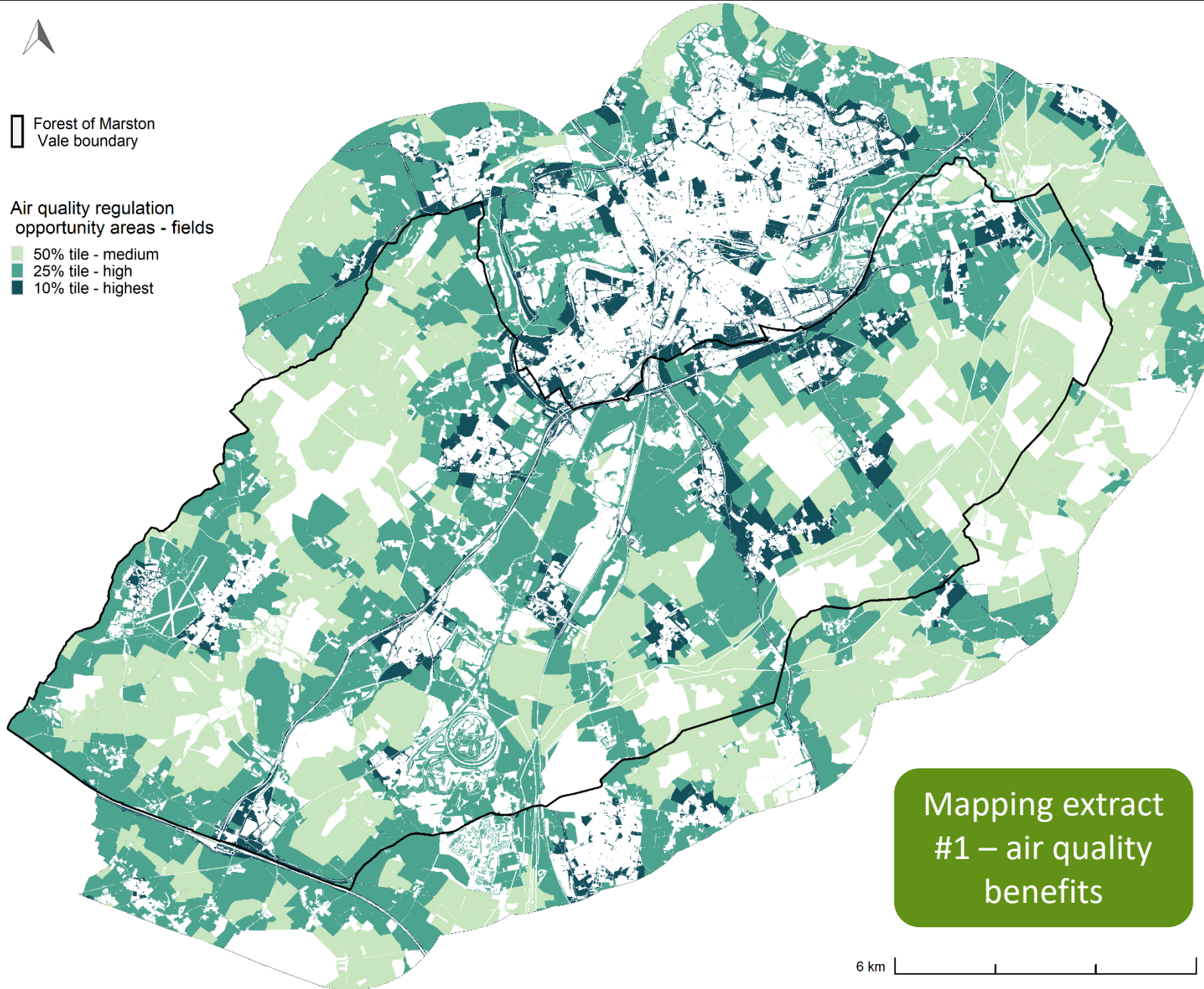
- o Due to launch in January 2022 (currently being finalised);
- o Unprecedented, enhance funding offer compared to national grants;
- o Designed to reward benefits that any new farm woodland provides;
- o Maintenance payments to ensure success;
- o Annual payments available for up to 15 years;
- o Providing choices – either take capital grant or have us plant the woodland for you;
- o Leaves room for additional carbon finance.



Forest of Marston
Vale boundary

Air quality regulation
opportunity areas - fields

50% tile - medium
25% tile - high
10% tile - highest



Mapping extract
#1 – air quality
benefits

6 km



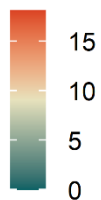
- Existing woodland habitats
- Woodland stepping stones - fields
- Woodland buffer opportunity - fields

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Mapping extract
#2 – ecological
network benefits

6 km



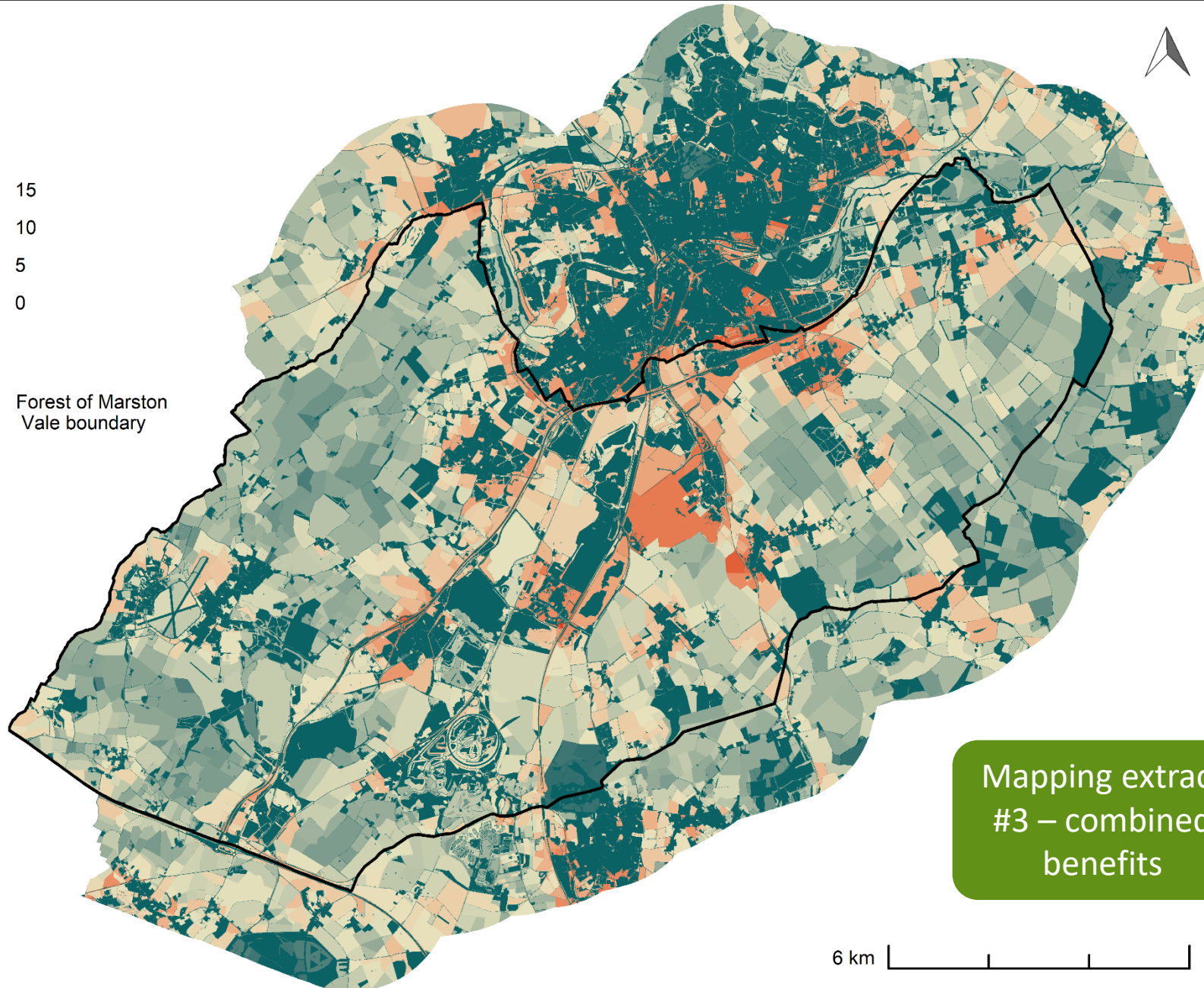
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Vale boundary



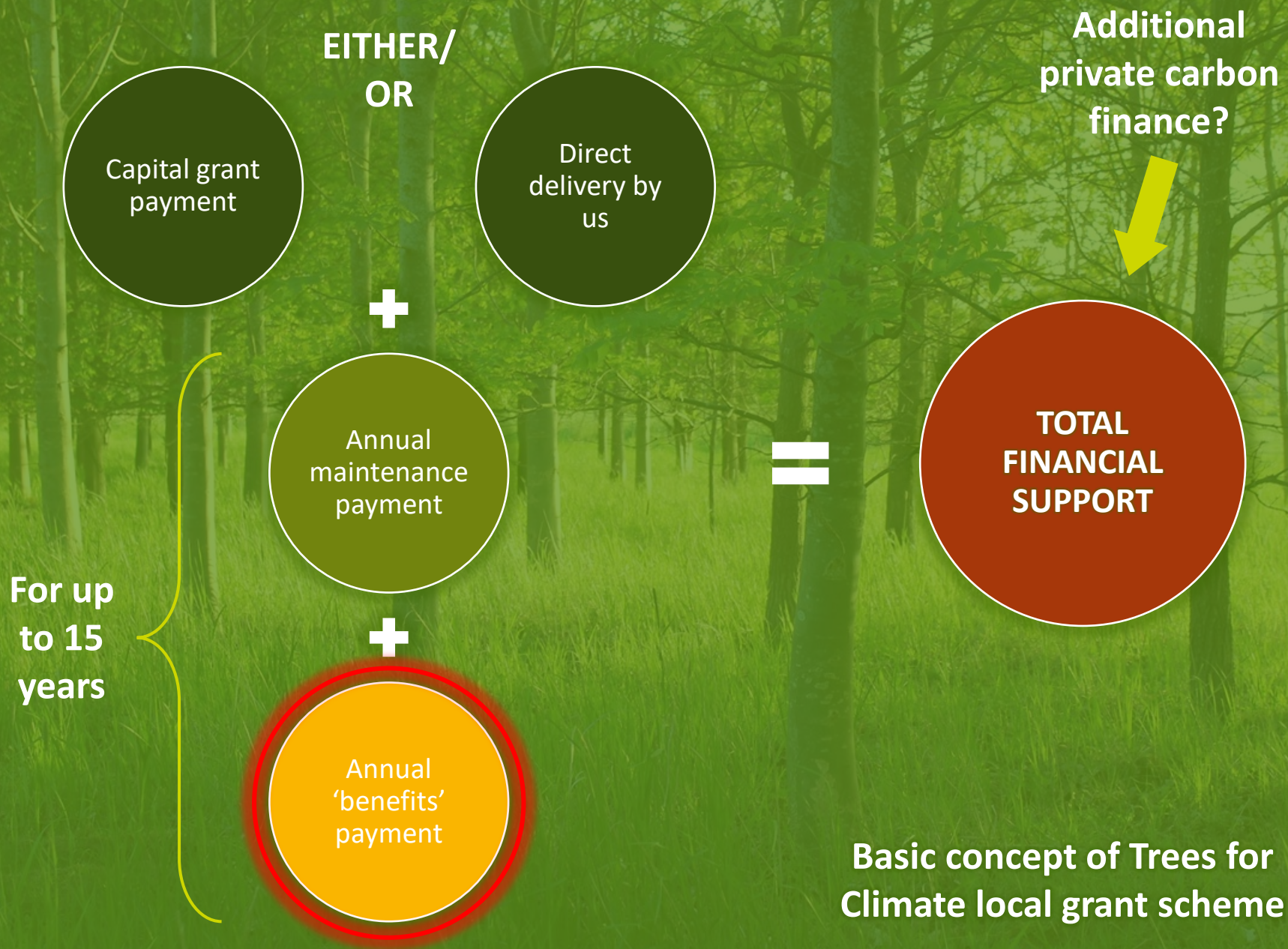
Mapping extract
#3 – combined
benefits

6 km

“Public money for public goods”

- Seeking to test/demonstrate local application
- Grant offer based on **simplified** modelling
 - *Grouped ‘benefits’*
 - *Zones of spatial benefit + corresponding benefit values*
 - *Add ‘zone’ values together to create ‘bands’ of value ranges (e.g. “high”, “medium” and “low” bands)*

Zone	Air pollution, noise and heat mitigation	Water flow and quality	Biodiversity	Total per annum	Recreation and health and wellbeing	Total per annum with recreation and health and wellbeing
	£	£	£	£	£	£
3	870	350	1000	2220	7000	4440
2	660	95	700	1455	4600	1400
1	210	80	350	640	2300	1280



Trees for Climate can provide:

- o Free professional advice on woodland creation, design and planning;
- o Grant funding to cover the costs of creating a new woodland;
- o Payments for up to 15 years to ensure success;
- o Low risk, practical options for delivering new woodland;
- o Help accessing carbon markets and private finance;
- o Up until 31 March 2025!

Why trees? Why Trees for Climate?

- o Deliver **carbon benefits** to help tackle the climate emergency and deliver net zero targets;
- o Guaranteed **grant income** as part of diversifying farm/rural business;
- o **Improve soil quality** and management;
- o Deliver **future timber** resource;
- o **Improve water quality** and local flood resilience;
- o Contribute to nature recovery and **boost biodiversity**;
- o **Flexible, bespoke grant offers** designed to work for the land manager and business.

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