



Trees to be planted for Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration OR Local tree planting event to – 'go green with the Queen'!

A SPECIAL TREE planting ceremony has taken place at *Haystax Farm Experience Centre* to commemorate Her Majesty the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations. The event was an important part of the '*Queen's Green Canopy*' (QGC) initiative, which invites people and organisations across the United Kingdom to 'Plant a Tree for the Jubilee'.

This prestigious occasion, held on the 8th November 2021, saw **Mrs Sue Snowdon, H.M. Lord-Lieutenant of County Durham** planting the first of seventy sponsored trees to mark the 70th year of the Queen's service to her country. This wonderful 'green' tribute will mark the region's start to the special platinum jubilee celebrations for the Queen and was arranged by directors Craig Pratt and Sarah Warrier of **CMYK** – a leading Business Technology provider, which also kindly sponsored the trees.

Lorna and Ian Adamson at *Haystax Inclusive Farm Experience* near Knitsley, Consett, are delighted that their farm is taking part in the Queen's Green Canopy programme. Haystax will be open to all but has been designed specifically for families who have a family member with special needs to allow them to access facilities such as animal therapy opportunities, sensory and quiet rooms, outdoor classroom sessions, outdoor play activities – to name only a few of the exciting things in store.

Working alongside Lorna, Ian and the CMYK Group are the inspirational learners from *Learning for Life* – a specialist educational and social care provider for young individuals with special educational needs in our area. **Anne Timothy**, a Trustee at Learning for Life, said, "We are delighted and excited to be such a special part of the Platinum Plantation at Haystax. This was a most wonderful and prestigious opportunity for our learners and staff to be involved in such a special and historic event. We all had an experience to remember!"