



# FUTURE OF UK TREESCAPES AMBASSADORS

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### Our Vision

#### **Transdisciplinarity**

Inclusion of researchers from across the NERC, **ESRC & AHRC** research communities

#### Stakeholder engagement

Stakeholder partnerships & coproduction key features of ALL applications

#### Knowledge exchange

Both between project teams and with stakeholders and policymakers to achieve lasting impact for policy & practice

# Our Roles as Ambassadors



### Convening

- 'Matchmaking' cross-disciplinary collaborations, encouraging new disciplines to engage, advising prospective applicants on research partners, promoting transdisciplinarity at the planning stage
- Recruiting an Advisory Board with the skills, experience and enthusiasm to give advice and offer insights on policy and practice implications as the programme progresses

## Facilitating

- Running knowledge exchange 'policy and practice' events for researchers
- Advising PIs and team members on stakeholder engagement opportunities and helping to facilitate these
- Encouraging 'cross-fertilization' between projects and with stakeholders via working dinners, workshops and joint publications

## Championing

- Building programme identity and bringing this to the attention of stakeholders, publics and policymakers through a website and social media coverage
- Initiating a public 'Great Debate' about trees, woods and forests that will run alongside the research and draw on outputs
- Organising annual Future Treescapes conferences to showcase the work in front of stakeholder and policymaker audiences

### Opportunities for A&H researchers

- As full research partners: whose historical, cultural and creative understandings and perspectives are built into proposals from the design of project stage
- As methodologists: bringing research methods like archival research and arts-based approaches to the design of projects and to the conduct of the research
- As research communicators: using arts-based presentations (for instance) to more imaginatively engage publics, stakeholders and policymakers in projects and with the programme as a whole

#### What next?

- Email questions to: <u>Treescapes@glos.ac.uk</u>
- Treescapes website will be live soon
- FAQ will be posted on the website, along with webinar recordings & summaries of the discussions
- Collaborator finder specific requests will also be highlighted on the website