Notice: Wraysbury and Old Windsor Regatta 2017: river restriction

River Thames restriction information for Saturday 05 August 2017.

Notice: Sunbury Amateur Regatta 2017: river restriction notice

River Thames restriction information for Friday 11 August 2017 to Sunday 13 August 2017.

Notice: Hampton Court and Dittons Regatta: river restriction notice

River Thames restriction information for Saturday 22 July 2017 from 10am to 5pm.

Notice: Staines Amateur Regatta 2017: river restriction notice

River Thames restriction information for Saturday 22 July 2017 from 9am to 6:30pm.

Press release: £13 million fund to increase England's woodland

A £13 million fund to help landowners plant more trees to protect wildlife, boost the timber sector and reduce flood risk will soon open for applications, Forestry Minister Thérèse Coffey confirmed today.

Farmers, foresters and land managers across the UK will be able to apply for up to £6,800 per hectare to plant, weed and protect more trees when application forms for the next round of the government's Woodland Creation grant are made available in September.

The fund — part of the Countryside Stewardship scheme — will help plant more than 3 million trees, creating 1,900 hectares of new woodland and contributing to the government's ambition to plant 11 million trees, with a further one million in towns and cities.

Confirmation of the next round of funding came as Forestry Minister Thérèse Coffey met with some of the UK's leading forestry companies today to discuss the opportunities for the sector when we leave the EU.

Announcing the next round of funding, Forestry Minister Thérèse Coffey said:

Our forests and woodlands are vital for providing timber, improving the environment and protecting our wildlife.

Today's announcement demonstrates the government's ongoing commitment to the forestry sector and to biodiversity, which afforestation delivers. I hope to see as many applications as possible so this important industry can continue to thrive.

Guidance and application forms will be available in September, with the application window opening in January 2018.

A range of grants are available to support the creation of new woodland and sustainable woodland management, with Forestry Commission online advice available on the application process.

Notes to editors

- The fund opens in January 2018 and the application forms and guidance will be available for download in September.
- Under the grant annual maintenance payments are available for 10 years.