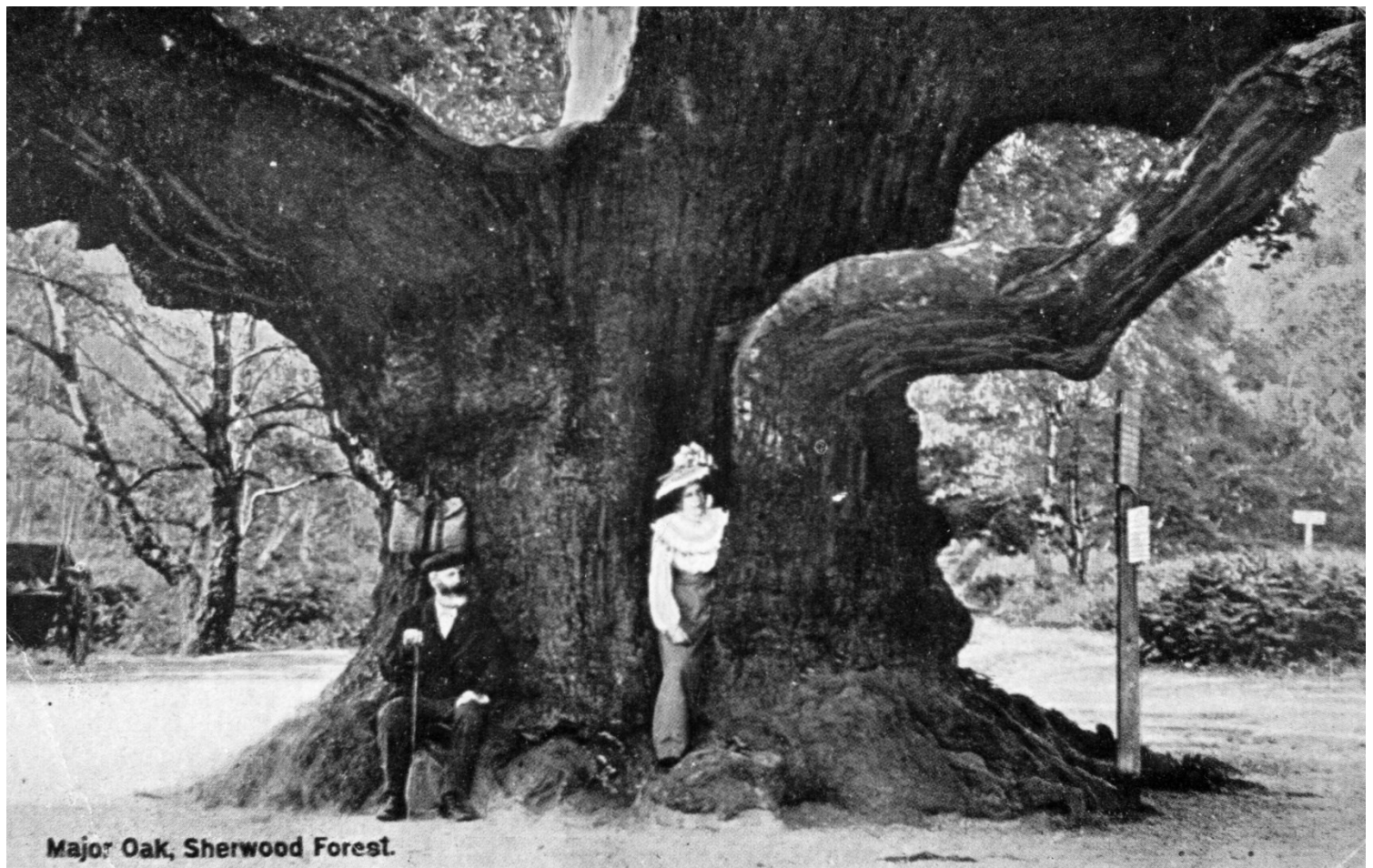


The legendary **Sherwood Forest** is a significant and celebrated landscape because of its important natural habitats, diverse wildlife and rich heritage.

Miner2Major is a five-year Landscape Partnership Scheme (2019-2023), supported by a £2,450,400 grant from **The National Lottery Heritage Fund**, that will help promote and safeguard the natural, built and cultural heritage at the historic core of Sherwood Forest, engaging local communities through a variety of people-focused projects.

Miner2Major is delivered by a partnership of organisations that have been active in the area for many years, this being the latest phase of long-term efforts to celebrate and restore Sherwood Forest.



VISION AND SCHEME AREA

Miner2Major Vision

“A place for people to discover a new sense of pride in our nature, history and famous legends. Celebrating the past, transforming the present and securing the future of the real Sherwood Forest. The spirit of the real Sherwood Forest inspires people and communities to care for the nature and heritage of this historical landscape. People are connected through knowledge, skills and community pride. Wildlife, legends and history are brought together to celebrate a Sherwood Forest that is transformed with communities passionate to secure its future. Ancient woods and heaths are joined by new heathlands created from years of industry. A new generation looks after Sherwood, supporting wildlife and shaping the future.”

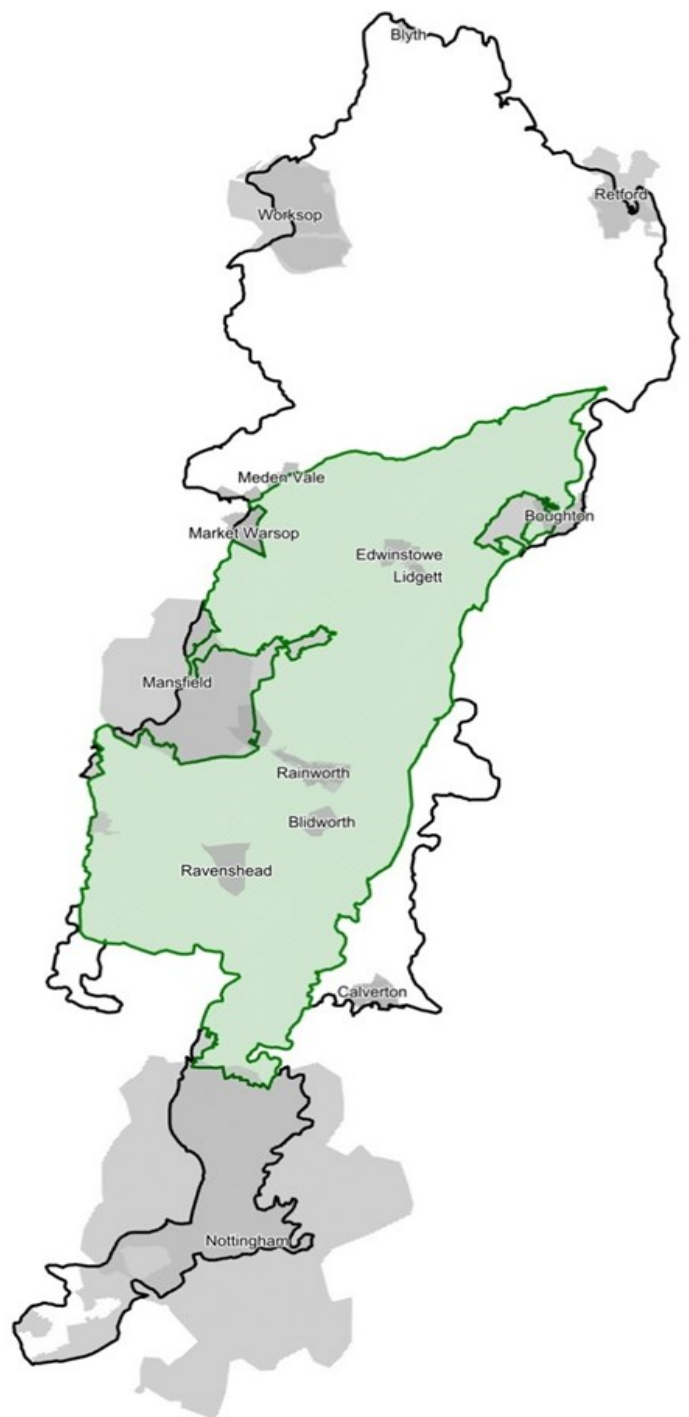
Landscape Partnership Scheme Area

Miner2Major focuses on the historic core of Sherwood Forest.

The Landscape Partnership area, highlighted in green on the map to the right, covers a region from the northern edge of Nottingham at Bestwood Park, past the eastern edge of Mansfield, to the river Meden between Warsop and Ollerton.

The western edge is defined by a string of towns - Hucknall, Kirkby-in-Ashfield and Mansfield. The eastern boundary is formed by the A614 and incorporates Rufford Park.

Miner2Major will engage with communities both within, and surrounding this defined area, as well as a wider audience of people who work in, and visit, the area.





PROJECTS

Celebrate Sherwood : Celebrating Sherwood's heritage and inspiring a new generation.

This programme will celebrate the heritage of Sherwood Forest through activities and exhibitions that inform, entertain, educate and encourage people to get involved.

Skilful Sherwood : Treasuring skills from the past and caring for the future of Sherwood Forest. This programme is made up of two projects:

Have a Go! Providing people with informal learning and volunteering opportunities, which offer a fun and easy introduction to understanding and caring for Sherwood's heritage.

SherwoodAbility The companion to *Have a Go!*, offering structured and accredited training to provide people with skills to restore, manage, understand and promote heritage within the landscape.

Connecting Sherwood : Connecting people, nature and heritage of Sherwood Forest. This programme is made up of four projects:

Better Habitats Enhancing, restoring, re-creating and re-linking Sherwood's heathlands and other characteristic habitats, making them more resilient and more favourable for the priority species they support.

Saving Sherwood's Special Species Volunteer surveys to assess populations of characteristic but threatened species; and conservation actions to support these species.

Sherwood's Landscape of Trees & Hedges Training volunteers to collect data about trees and hedges across Sherwood's landscape; helping landowners to achieve more appropriate management. Planting and celebrating new community "heritage" trees.

Connecting Trails Improving access for all, by surveying trails across the area then carrying out improvement works and promoting routes that connect key sites.

Understanding Sherwood : Finding out about the forest, heath, people and places. This programme is made up of four projects:

The Veiled Landscape Engaging people to record and investigate archaeological features which are concealed beneath Sherwood's woodland cover and within the Forest's river valleys.

Heritage Buildings Identifying historic buildings and raising awareness of traditional craft-skills and materials.

Century of Change Investigating different aspects of Sherwood's massive landscape change over the period 1850-1950.

People of Sherwood Investigating and celebrating stories about the lives of Sherwood's heroes, heroines and villains.

Community Grants Scheme Funding for local community projects that complement the delivery of the Landscape Partnership scheme.

Sherwood Retold Raising awareness, accessibility and understanding of the Sherwood Forest landscape through a range of interpretation methods relevant to different audiences.

PARTNERSHIP & GOVERNANCE

Partnership Board

Miner2Major is steered and managed by a Landscape Partnership Board, made up of organisations that have worked in the area for many years.

Friends of Moor Pond Woods

Greenwood Community Forest

Groundwork Creswell, Ashfield & Mansfield

Inspire

Newark and Sherwood District Council

Nottinghamshire County Council

Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust

Rural Community Action Nottinghamshire

RSPB

Sherwood Forest Trust

Community representative

Many other organisations and individuals will support the delivery of Miner2Major projects.

Scheme Team

The Miner2Major delivery team consists of a Scheme Manager, two Engagement Officers (one for Nature and one for Heritage) and a Finance & Administration Officer. Additional capacity is provided by two part-time posts employed by Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust and two Learning Manager posts employed by Inspire.

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