

A. Hill & Sons Ltd

Creating success with local authorities



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A Hill & Sons Ltd adopts the latest horticultural and business techniques and technologies, whilst retaining all the traditions of quality and customer service, making us a popular choice for local authorities around the country.

Throughout the industry we are renowned for the breathtaking variety and quality of our trees, shrubs, conifers and hedging. We have become a centre of horticultural excellence and innovation, exemplified by our extensive trialling, development and success of the revolutionary Air-Pot system which results in amazing growth of vigorous, healthy root systems. (For more information on the Air-Pot system please read overleaf.)

We specialise in meeting the needs of professionals, such as local authorities, by working closely together with them and offering tailored services to meet their needs. We have first hand experience in meeting the needs of and completing successful projects with local authorities such as Sheffield, Manchester and Hartlepool.



**A history of
flourishing projects
with local authorities**

“The Air-Pot grown trees offered at A. Hill and Sons are superb quality, you only have to look at the root structures and the product sells itself. We have had 100% success in our planting schemes using the Air-Pots - they are easy to establish and can be planted at any time of year which is a huge bonus.”

Len Young, *Horticultural Service Supervisor at Hartlepool Council*

If you would like to visit our nursery to see for yourself the benefits of our Air-Pot grown trees and shrubs or any other of our products, please contact John Watson or Simon Hill on 01642 711281 or email johnw@hillandsons.co.uk. Alternatively, we can visit you to discuss your requirements.

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One of our most popular products with local authorities is our Air-Pot trees and shrubs due to the high quality outcome and proven success rates.

About Air-Pot

Innovative, revolutionary and advanced - the Air-Pot growing technique used at A. Hill and Sons has allowed our nursery to offer superb quality products with fantastic root structures which results in high success rates for our customers and their planting schemes.

How it works

The Air-Pot is specially designed to enhance the quality of plants' root systems by guiding the growing roots through the open-ended cones in the wall of the pot. These roots are pruned as they dehydrate causing many more new roots to grow from behind, dramatically increasing the amount of fibrous roots.

The benefits of Air-Pot grown products in planting projects

- Superb root structures**
Continuous pruning due to the design of the Air-Pot prevents root circling
- Can be planted at any time of the year**
The fibrous roots are not shocked allowing growth to take place almost immediately. The shock resistance means that plants are considerably less vulnerable to extreme weather conditions and therefore planting can take place all year round
- Environmentally friendly**
The pot is made from 100% recycled plastic
- Higher success rates**
Once planted on customer sites, our Air-Pot products rapidly establish a vibrant root system achieving a higher success rate
- Light and easy to handle**
Environmentally-friendly reduced peat compost is used for the growing medium resulting in exceptionally light trees which are easier to handle on site and during transit



Proven success

Nottingham Trent University conducted a study into the effect of root stock type on the survival rate, stem circumference and lateral extension of trees and the technique used by A. Hill and Sons Ltd came out top on all three.

Critically the survival rate of trees using a 'superroot' (such as Air-Pot) system have a 100% survival rate, this means your project is much more likely to succeed and costs can be reduced as you no longer need to remove or replant failed bare root trees.

