## A significant role of mayors of small municipalities in landscape management or

## Mayor of the municipality as an initiator and a co-ordinator in landscape management



Landscape management begins and usually ends with the mayor ...



Village Sudice – lays 40 km north of Brno in Boskovice furrow, 480 inhabitants, 570 ha cadastre, especially of rural character landscapes



#### A Theme Park in Sudice

Realisation in 2013, area of 2 ha in the center of the village - 117 pieces of native trees, 41 pieces of fruit trees, 166 shrubs



year 2014

**First stage:** Planting of trees April - May 2013

Second stage: Grassing June 2013









# Third stage: Planting of Hornbeam Maze - 1675 pieces of hornbeam (Carpinus betulus)



#### The Park today ...









#### A plum tree alley - planting November 2012





#### A renovation of landscape features - Municipal orchard





#### A disposal of the ruderal vegetation October 2014 - March 2015











#### Plantation – April 2015











**Total:** 81 pieces of walnut trees, 97 pieces of cherry trees, 42 pieces of sour cherry trees and 94 pieces of plum trees at a beautiful setting near the forest at the foot of the Boskovice furrow



#### and the nature have thanked ...



It does not end with subsidies, the aftercare was taken over by the local inhabitants ...









## Planting in the village of Sudice:

#### 454 pieces of fruit trees:

O f which 152 pieces of plum trees, 114 pieces of cherry trees, 42 pieces of sour cherry trees, 56 pieces of apple trees, 81 pieces of walnut trees and the rest are pear and mulberries trees

117 pieces of native trees (the collection in the Theme park)

166 pieces of shrubs



## The work in the municipal forests



#### An education to care for nature from the early age

















# Even fun in nature is important - the production of willow whistles



#### The Mayor must:

- know his surroundings (the cadastre of the village) he manages
- be a visionary, to improve the appearance of the environment, and with planned intentions also protect his community,
- be a good negotiator with farmers and other landowners
- decide whether to apply for subsidies or to implement some of the projects on their own from the municipal budget
- defend the planned projects before their residents and convince them of the importance of those projects
- be able to motivate citizens to care for the landscape in their surroundings

#### Inhabitants of the village get:

- a positive attitude and a sense of belonging to their environment
- the joy of accomplishment, pride in their actions and the results
- excellent cooperation between people and local organizations in the village





It is necessary to take advantage of today's trend of return to nature and not only to use nature and landscape for our profit, but also to return something to the landscape in the form of our efforts, free time and pleasure from the work done!



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