

**PRESS RELEASE – 12<sup>th</sup> December 2011  
AIRPORT DONATES TREES**



Dave Jones, Gloucestershire Airport Site Manager, handing one of the 23 trees to Keith Norris of Sandford Park Lido.

Gloucestershire Airport is donating 23 trees to Cheltenham's Sandford Park Lido. The Airport has been undertaking extensive replanting of hedgerow and trees as part of its Runway Safety Project although these saplings (various varieties) are surplus to its requirements. Head of Operations, Darren Lewington said: - "In our Green Policy, we acknowledge that aviation can have a negative environmental impact but these trees will, over their lifetime, help with carbon sequestration. We contacted our shareholders when it became apparent we had a small surplus and were delighted that the Lido accepted them, ensuring wider public enjoyment for years to come.

We are also in talks with Officers at Gloucester City and Cheltenham Borough Councils about setting up a local carbon offset scheme, which will hopefully see more trees planted within the county."

Company Secretary at Sandford Lido, Keith Norris said "As a charitable trust, we are really grateful for this donation and our volunteers have already dug the holes to plant the trees around the site"