

Conservation & Wildlife Group

1st Meeting - 13th November 2021

What can be done

Nest boxes; More swift boxes and owl boxes

Bat boxes Bug hotels Bee hives

Conservation plies to provide habitats for insects, birds and small mammals

Footpaths, Enhance footpath signs, currently inadequate, maintain

Let the ivy grow

Bulk buying of bird food

Litter picks

Get landowners onboard / Better awareness amongst population / try to get others to "buy" into this Join up existing green areas / habitats, within the village and beyond

Let people know how they can help to promote wildlife in their own back gardens.

Survey own gardens, surrounding hedges, footpaths etc.

Surveying and getting a baseline of existing habitats and wildlife to target improvements

Projects: Stakeholder mapping for who can support with connections

Wildflower planting Planting / continuity of native hedges Planting trees

Create a woodland walk Community orchard, wildflower area Create a pond

Other environmental

Support local school with wild areas or allotment ideas Help people find out what they can do in their gardens Encourage hedgehogs

Contact with SWT for advice

Nature clubs for kids in the village

Tree preservation orders for village

Survey for hedgehog highways between gardens

Linking and improving existing habitats, likely more beneficial than targeting isolated plots.

Fill-in hedgerows, grow wildflowers on margins to establish corridors to increase biodiversity.

Areas

Village Green

Burial ground

Church yard in conjunction with warden and SWT

Space to right of village hall extention

Bramble area on Redingfield Road, active management of this area with permission of owner School areas

Near and around footpaths.

Enhance the "dog walk" patch

ORAC are happy for part of the village green and area beside hall extention to be developed

PROPOSED FIRST PROJECTS

School - planting around playground and renovation of alotment for the Spring

Village Green – planting up and creating conservation piles at back and sides

Get landowners onboard - for hedgerows and field margins

Appraise footpath waymarking.

Start survey of existing habitats in & around the village & mapping possible corridors to build