

Be part of something bigger

Wiltshire Wildlife Trust aims to build a sustainable future for wildlife and people. Over our 60-year history we've pioneered and led landscape-scale change.

This year we set an ambitious Strategy to 2030 to put nature into recovery.

We manage over 40 free-to-access nature reserves (1,200 ha) with conservation that supports native species, restores healthy ecosystems, and brings back natural processes to our land and rivers.

People are part of nature and it is fundamental to wellbeing. We recognise this and work with over 70 schools, two Care Farms (c.160 children) and offer adult wellbeing programmes.

“Even if I knew that tomorrow the world would go to pieces, I would still plant my apple tree”

Martin Luther



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A guide to corporate volunteering opportunities

Swindon Forest Meadows Project



Corporate Volunteering

What is the Swindon Forest Meadows Project?

The Swindon Forest Meadows Project is a three-year partnership between Swindon Borough Council and Wiltshire Wildlife Trust.

The project seeks to create, restore, enhance, and better manage up to 170 hectares of meadows and grasslands and associated habitats within the Great Western Community Forest.

The improved habitat will not only increase wildlife and biodiversity, but also provide wellbeing benefits and more outside space for Swindon residents to enjoy.

We aim to create community forest gardens, plant thousands of trees and record species all with, the community at the heart of every project. This provides a great opportunity for residents of Swindon to plant trees and leave a legacy for future generations.

This is where you can make a difference.

If 1 in 4 people starts to participate in a particular action it can create a significant impact or change within a community. By planting trees or volunteering on one of the sites you can be part of the solution.



How to get involved

Volunteering is a key part of our work to give many people the opportunity to have a fantastic, fun day outside, increase their connectedness to nature, learn about wildlife, and have a rewarding experience that helps our charity do even more for the wildlife and people of Swindon and Wiltshire.

We run days for groups of **between 6-20 people**.

Our Corporate Team Days typically run from **10:00 -15:00 on weekdays**.

Costs will vary depending on group size, any special requirements, and the level of staff supervision required.

For more information about the Swindon Forest Meadows Project, please contact Anthony anthonya@wiltshirewildlife.org

Corporate Team Days can involve a range of activities, focused either on conservation tasks or team building, wellbeing and nature connectedness. Conservation tasks will depend on the seasonal tasks needed at the reserve.

Examples of conservation activities:

- Guided walk around the reserve
- Seasonal vegetation cutting
- Improving visitor accessibility infrastructure such as paths, hide repairs and putting up signage
- Removal of invasive species
- Wildlife surveying

Examples of team wellbeing activities:

- Team building fun activities and challenges, e.g. building stick towers, den building
- Mindfulness and wellbeing in nature
- Guided walk and species ID
- Fire lighting and cooking over a campfire
- Nature arts and crafts

