



Wildlife Trust for
**Beds, Cambs
& Northants**

Impact Report

2023–24

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Chairman's Introduction



Impact is what this Trust is about, and it is what the environment needs. We can't afford to stand still in a country where nature, and our connection to it, is under threat. I hope that in this Impact Report for the financial year ending 31 March 2024 we can

show you the great strides we have made over the past year, in the context of our long-term strategy and the wider UK picture.

By the time you read this we will have a new Government – what will the impact of their decisions on nature be? We will not be expecting them to wave a magic wand and reverse the decline in nature immediately, but we will not be sitting back quietly and waiting for an answer. Everyone should have an interest in the impact of conservation – it's good for the health and well-being of all of us, especially the next generation, so it must be a priority for government, businesses, investors, communities and individuals. Therefore we will continue to campaign, work with local MPs, and engage local authorities.

This report demonstrates how government policies like Local Nature Recovery Strategies are shaping our work, how we're enabling businesses to fund conservation at the Great Fen through carbon credits, how communities are rallying round to help us buy new sites like Fleam Dyke, and how our education work changes people's lives.

One issue which has impacted everyone is the cost-of-living crisis. This has inevitably had an enormous effect

across the whole conservation movement as well as on the ability of our members to support us financially. The cost of basic resources we need to do our work – tools, fence posts, materials, contractors, salaries – have all risen beyond what we had planned for.

The Trustees are taking strategic decisions on our members' behalf to ensure that the Trust can continue to fulfil its vital charitable objectives. Trust staff are working hard to make savings wherever possible, redoubling our efforts to bring in more members, attracting more corporate support and finding new ways to raise funds.

Despite an inevitable focus on money, we are privileged to work in a sector where we can see the real impacts of the Trust's work – more butterflies, dormice, and places for happy, muddy schoolchildren to enjoy nature. These impacts go well beyond any financial value. In this report we aim to reflect that intrinsic value, too. Over the past few years the report has evolved to increase its relevance and usefulness to the Trust and our key stakeholders.

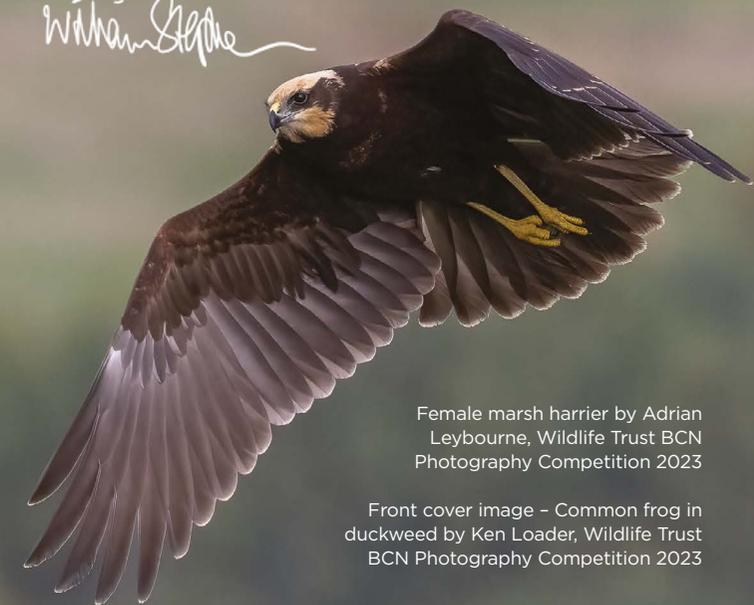
Last year we relaunched our Annual Report as an Impact Report, and we are continuing to try to present the important outcomes of our work rather than the inputs. Sometimes we can show how changing site management plans results in greater diversity and abundance of species on a reserve. However, none of our reserves is an island, and the pressures of pollution, climate change, habitat loss in the surrounding countryside, and more, mean that measuring the true impact of conservation work in a neat graph has always been a big challenge.

This year, our Impact Report has gone entirely digital for the first time. This means we can bring this report to life by including digital media elements so you will be able to click and visit video case studies throughout. Going digital reduces the environmental footprint and costs. This report has a greater focus on people – I hope you enjoy the commentaries from staff, case studies of individual projects and also a look ahead at the priorities for nature from our busy Young People's Forum.

I do hope that the following pages show a clear picture of our work and the impact we are having despite the financial challenges we all face. As you read through the stories and statistics, I hope you'll share my confidence that the Trust is in good hands and that, with the enormous help that our staff, members, volunteers and supporters provide, we will continue to bring back nature together.

William Stephens, Chair of the Council

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William Stephens".



Female marsh harrier by Adrian Leybourne, Wildlife Trust BCN Photography Competition 2023

Front cover image – Common frog in duckweed by Ken Loader, Wildlife Trust BCN Photography Competition 2023

Strategic Report

Our Vision

People close to nature, in a land rich in wildlife

What do we do?



Nature conservation on our nature reserves

We manage over 100 nature reserves including some of Britain's rarest habitats such as ancient woodlands, wild fen, and wildflower meadows.



Provide nature conservation advice and support to landowners

We work beyond the boundaries of our nature reserves by advising landowners who own and manage important sites for wildlife.



Monitor and research wildlife

We carry out surveys to enable us to monitor population trends and assess the success of our practical habitat management.



Inspire a love of nature

We support people to learn more about local nature through our events, training workshops and school programmes and we help them reap the benefits of simply connecting with nature.



Advocate for wildlife

We campaign for a Wilder Future by lobbying local and national government for better protection of wildlife, and we review and respond to local development plans, ensuring we can achieve the biggest impacts possible.



Provide vital green spaces to all sectors of society.

We improve people's lives and wellbeing by giving them places close to their communities to meet, escape, and unwind.

We do all of this work with a Nature Recovery Network in mind – local activities joining together to create a national network of linked spaces – because we believe that a well-connected landscape is better for wildlife and for people.

Why is our work important?

Nature has an intrinsic value, but healthy green spaces also provide ecosystem services including:

- Climate regulation
- Mental and physical health improvements
- Pollination of food crops
- Flood alleviation
- Healthy soils

Pressures such as agricultural intensification, urbanisation and climate change are affecting our wildlife.

19% Across the UK species studied have declined on average by 19% since 1970*

16% Nearly one in six species are threatened with extinction from Great Britain*

*State of Nature Report 2023



Wrinkled peach by Trevor Sawyer, Wildlife Trust BCN Photography Competition 2023

Objective 1

We will make Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire wilder



**Director of Conservation,
Matt Jackson**

Improving our own sites for wildlife is challenging in a changing climate. We are adjusting to warmer, wetter winters and springs with

improved drainage of paths, and bringing hay cuts earlier. We've even begun breeding from our cattle to improve the grazing pressure on limestone grasslands where nitrogen levels are encouraging coarser grasses.

This year we've also been carrying out the preparatory works for a beaver introduction on part of the Nene Wetlands. Scrub around these older gravel pits lacks diversity, and beavers are the perfect tool to reverse that. Natural England has granted us a licence for a trial reintroduction, which we will be monitoring closely.

In the Great Fen we have been preparing Speechly's Farm for reseeding and laying the groundwork for adjustments to water levels. Strawberry Hill in Bedfordshire has also been a focus over the year, developing an understanding of how the site works to maintain over thirty nightingale territories and hundreds of warblers, and how it can best be managed in the future.

Beyond our own sites, we have been working proactively with emerging farmer clusters, and with large landowners such as the Burghley Estate, to develop conservation plans. We worked in partnership with the Wild Trout Trust,

volunteers, the Environment Agency, Cambridge Water and Anglian Water, to remove weirs from a stretch of the River Granta near Babraham, which has seen wildlife improving already. We've also been reviewing the Ancient Woodland Inventories for our three counties. Vital for protecting these key wildlife resources, the inventories haven't been reviewed since the 1980s and smaller ancient woodlands weren't covered.

The year also saw the early stages of the development of Local Nature Recovery Strategies to focus conservation work where it will have most effect.

Case Study: Nene Valley

Over the past year we have completed work to improve the wetland habitats we manage in the Nene Valley and we're already seeing increased bird numbers as a result.



See the work and hear from Conservation Officer Ben Casey in this video



4,367ha of land owned or managed for wildlife, an increase from 4,264ha last year.



110 farmers, land owners and managers given wildlife advice by our staff, covering more than 1,900ha of land.



21 new Wildlife Sites identified. These sites get more protection in the planning system once they have been identified and included in local plans.



209 lapwings recorded at Dragonfly Lake in the Nene Wetlands. This is an increase of 265% following restoration work funded through a Networks for Nature scheme.



602 gadwall recorded at Higham Lake in the Nene Wetlands. This is more than 2% of the Great British population of gadwall, an amber listed bird, and more than 0.5% of the entire global population.



50 planning applications changed for wildlife as a result of Wildlife Trust input into the planning system. While some plans may be withdrawn, others may be adjusted to avoid or reduce their impact on wildlife.

Case Study: Fleam Dyke



Fleam Dyke is home to many chalk wildflower species

Images: Nik Shelton

Fleam Dyke, a wildflower rich chalk earthwork in Cambridgeshire, was constructed in the 5th and 6th centuries by Anglo Saxon settlers. We have been involved in a limited way in its management for some years but a lack of resources has seen a decline in the quality of the habitat with scrub taking over.

When the opportunity came up to buy a significant section of the dyke we launched an appeal to raise £150,000 in the Autumn and got a huge response. Local people, charitable trusts and members rallied round to help us reach the target and in December we purchased the site.

As well as the historical earthwork, we also purchased 7.6 hectares of arable land alongside it which will be converted into new chalk grassland and will help us to fund the ongoing management of the site by providing

credits through the new Biodiversity Net Gain legislation which came into effect this year.

The dyke, which is adjacent to our popular Fulbourn Fen nature reserve, is home to orchids and other wild flowers including knapweeds, wild thyme, ploughman's-spikenard, starry white squinancywort and bright pink sainfoin.

Our initial work will focus on the area around Mutlow Hill on the site, a Bronze Age burial barrow dated to 2000BC which was excavated in the 1850s and found to contain eight funeral urns. The dyke was one of the original 286 UK sites selected by Charles Rothschild, founder of the Wildlife Trusts movement, as a wildlife site worthy of preservation and is designated a Scheduled Ancient Monument and a Site of Special Scientific Interest.



Objective 2

We will undertake more research to better understand our wildlife and what it needs



Monitoring & Research Manager, Josh Hellon

It is becoming clear that we need to become more proactive in protecting what we have and restoring what we have lost to achieve nature recovery.

If we are going to make these big changes we want them to be based on sound evidence. In recent months this has meant careful planning, research and monitoring around dormouse and beaver reintroductions, slow worm translocations, ash dieback and more – and making sure we learn as we go along.

Where we are trying new nature-based solutions – experimental butterfly banks in Bedfordshire and woodland ride management in Cambridgeshire – we work with funders and researchers to ensure they are meticulously studied and understood.

We also want to be an example to others, so it is vital we share and publish our results for others in the conservation sector to learn from. Our Trust is accredited as a Conservation Evidence* champion – keeping us honest and embedding science in everything we do. We encourage researchers to use our nature reserves for study, from GCSE up to national research organisations like the Centre for Ecology and Hydrology, Plantlife, University of East London,

People's Trust for Endangered Species, Cambridge University, Anglia Ruskin University, Cranfield University, University of East Anglia and others.

The focus now is on nature's recovery – and we want to make sure that the Trust is approaching this in the most effective and evidence-based way possible.

*Conservation Evidence is an online information resource designed to guide decisions on the best approaches for conservation practices based at the University of Cambridge.

Case Study: Brampton Wood

Last year we celebrated the 30th anniversary of the reintroduction of dormice to Brampton Wood, and released new dormice to increase genetic diversity in the population.



Nik Shelton

Watch the dormouse reintroduction team in action during the release last year



35 grassland sites surveyed by our teams, helping to shape management plans and protect threatened wildflowers and invertebrates.



5 woodlands have been surveyed helping us to understand more detail about the distribution of tree species across reserves and the current pressures on our woodlands.



1,800 hours of monitoring and research carried out by volunteers, helping us gather vital data about sites with minimal cost to our members and funders.



19 sites surveyed by drone, helping us to track habitat changes and build a database of digital maps.



14 hours of recorded bat audio data from our reserves analysed and 11 bat species identified at 11 different sites.



38 breeding bird transects completed – with volunteers visiting 24 reserves, giving us vital data on the effectiveness of current conservation management plans.



Over 700,000 species added to the databases of the Local Environmental Record Centres, hosted by the Trust (Beds 290,000, Cambs 154,675, Northants 259,297) covering more than 5,900 different species, improving species and information available to planners, developers and researchers.

Case Study: Ancient Woodland Inventory project

A two-year project to map all the ancient woodlands in our three counties is nearing its conclusion – giving us the best view yet of this irreplaceable habitat.

Ancient woodland is defined as land which has been continuously wooded since 1600. The combination of undisturbed soil and dead wood makes it vital for specialist fungi, invertebrates and plants.

Mapping of ancient woodlands first began in the 1980s but we have always known there were a lot of gaps. This project began with initial mapping work completed by the three hosted biological record centres and has since been managed by two funded Ancient Woodland Inventory officers who used the latest digital mapping technology and increased availability of old maps to identify potential new sites for the inventory.

This resulted in nearly 3,000 sites identified – 319 in Bedfordshire, 886 in Northamptonshire and 1,650 in Cambridgeshire – and the team began the huge task of visiting as many of them as possible with the help of a network of volunteers. They spent several months visiting sites and looking out for telltale signs such as medieval banks and large coppice stools at the base of trees.

This work was part of a countrywide, multi-partner project over 3–5 years funded by The Woodland Trust and Natural England. The Trust was ideally placed to take on a project of this size and complexity in our region.

The new information will be an important resource for conservationists, planners and land managers for years to come and will help ensure these special sites get the management and protection they need.



Ancient woodlands are vital for bluebells as well as a host of other plants and fungi

Objective 3

We will inspire more people to love and take action for nature



**Director of Engagement,
Louise Rackham**

Engaging with our communities has never been more important, for us, the people in our region and for wildlife. Our vital work enables us to instil an emotional connection to nature,

empowering people to take positive action. Having local people proactively taking care of their local spaces helps to spread our message even further.

Coming out of the pandemic and being hit by the cost-of-living crisis has fundamentally impacted many people's mental and physical wellbeing. More children are living with anxiety and reduced social skills, and are struggling in a traditional classroom environment. More adults are looking to nature to help improve their own wellbeing and this is where we are in a unique position to help improve all lives through creative hands-on education programmes, events, workshops and nature experiences.

Over the past year we have worked with numerous local community groups, empowering them to seek funding, form partnerships and create and look after their wild spaces. The Young People's Forum and Youth Rangers have engaged young people across our three counties, encouraging them to get involved and act for wildlife whilst sharing their enthusiasm with their peers.

We have delivered many educational programmes including Forest Schools, in schools and on our reserves, giving opportunities for young people to immerse themselves in nature and reap the benefits. And our community garden at Rushden Lakes has been a great success reaching many vulnerable people through organisations such as Cando and Spring, giving them the opportunities to connect with nature, socialise, build confidence, and gain new skills.

Our engagement work allows us to strengthen our work for nature as well as benefitting those attending our programmes and activities. Through this work we want to continue to reach even more people, and thereby inspire everyone to get involved in nature's recovery.



Engaged with 51 schools across the region, reaching 2,719 school children over the past year by running events.



253 young people have signed up to ongoing conservation activities including Youth Rangers groups and our Young People's Forum.



553 events delivered including guided walks, talks, nature crafts and wellbeing sessions.



More than 3,500 adults have taken part in our events on nature reserves and in the community



In total we have reached more than 9,500 people of all ages through staff-led face-to-face events and activities.



106 people have received a Wildlife Trust BCN gardening award to show that they have created a wildlife friendly habitat



36 expert-led Wildlife Training Workshops delivered with a total of 532 attendees giving in-depth insight into species identification and conservation.

Case Study: Nurturing a lifelong love for nature



Caitlin's love of nature led to her becoming a coastal ecologist

Our education work has a big impact on people's lives. Caitlin Cox, from St Neots in Cambridgeshire, has been attending groups run from our Paxton Pits Education Centre since she was six and it has helped inspire a lifelong love of nature.



From pond dipping to designing sustainable houses, my involvement with the Wildlife Watch and Greenwatch from age six nurtured a lifelong appreciation for the natural world. These clubs sparked my curiosity about ecosystems and sustainability, eventually leading me to become a marine biologist and coastal ecologist with a master's in sustainable environmental management.



One of my fondest memories was learning about the intricate aquatic ecosystem beneath the water's surface through pond dipping activities. Discovering the diverse life teeming under the surface ignited my passion for aquatic ecology. Another impactful moment was designing eco-friendly homes, which taught me the importance of sustainability from a young age.

What made these sessions so memorable was the variety of topics covered and hands-on approach. We didn't just focus on one aspect of nature but gained a holistic understanding of how different elements are interconnected. This comprehensive experience allowed

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Sir David Attenborough

me to appreciate the complexity and fragility of our environment, especially with the expanding population. Looking back, I realise how important these opportunities were in shaping my future endeavours. As Sir David Attenborough wisely said, "If children don't grow up knowing about nature and appreciating it, they will not understand it. And if they don't understand it, they won't protect it." Providing children with immersive experiences in nature is crucial for nurturing the next generation of environmental stewards. I firmly believe every child should have the chance to visit and connect with nature, as there is often a disconnect between communities and the environment they coexist with. Fostering this connection from a young age can inspire a lifelong commitment to protecting our incredible planet."

Case Study: Bradgers Hill Wilder Futures

The past year has seen the conclusion of our Wilder Futures project at Bradgers Hill which has engaged people from all backgrounds with nature in Luton.



Objective 4

We will work nationally when it benefits wildlife locally



**Chief Executive,
Brian Eversham**

The Wildlife Trusts movement has its roots in our region – Woodwalton Fen in Cambridgeshire was acquired by naturalist Charles Rothschild in 1910 before he went on to

form the movement's forerunner, the Society for the Promotion of Nature Reserves, a few years later. And today we continue to focus our efforts on local nature reserves and conservation whilst also contributing towards the national picture.

Our chairman, William Stephens, our Conservation Director, Matt Jackson, and I, together with other staff from across the Trust, contribute to national task forces addressing some of the long-term issues facing nature in the UK and how we work together better to tackle them.

Over the past year we have begun working locally on some of the national policies that the movement has advocated for including Biodiversity Net Gain and Local Nature Recovery Strategies.

We also work on behalf of the movement when it comes to amplifying national political and public engagement campaigns. I found myself enthusing to Radio 4 listeners earlier this year about the wonderful world of terrestrial gastropod molluscs (or slugs!) as part of The Wildlife

Trusts' annual *Wild About Gardens* campaign. These are the kind of engaging campaigns that can capture people's imagination and take them on a journey towards supporting conservation, and it's vital we play our part.

But our role in the strength of the movement really comes to the fore with exemplar projects like the Great Fen. Over the past year this vision has reached its most exciting stage yet as we have taken on ownership of Speechly's Farm, connecting Woodwalton Fen with Holme Fen, developing wet farming techniques further and learning more about how peat landscapes protect nature and the climate. We have enjoyed national media coverage as well as regular visits from scientists, farmers, funders and decision makers with influence across the UK and beyond.



Redwing with worm

Case Study: Local Nature Recovery Strategies

There is no national spatial strategy for wildlife recovery, setting out where action should take place to link up fragmented habitats. Thanks to national lobbying from the Wildlife Trusts, the 2021 Environment Act did include a statutory duty for Local Nature Recovery Strategies (LNRS) to be drawn up. These will cover the whole of England, and together should knit into a national plan for wildlife. This is a vital step in delivering the Government's Environment Improvement Plan, which has the headline target to protect 30% of England's land for nature.

Every local authority area is now covered by a Responsible Body, one of the local authorities charged with creating a LNRS for their area by early 2025. These strategies need to be drawn up with a close understanding of the key wildlife sites and species in each area, and of the actions needed to help them recover, and to make them future-proof.

We are working with each of these bodies to make sure that they draw on the relevant local knowledge, either within the Wildlife Trust or in the many other local NGOs and amateur groups, who hold the information needed to develop strategies that work. A key step will be making sure that local development plans take proper account of the needs of the local habitat network.



Marbled whites
by Ann Miles

Case Study: Delivering carbon funding at the Great Fen

In our five year plan we pledged to launch a carbon offsetting scheme for the Great Fen in Cambridgeshire – and over the past year we have put the final details in place to achieve this.

We have registered with the Wilder Carbon Standard to unlock funding for future restoration and ongoing management by working with companies looking to achieve a net zero emission pledge.

After commissioning experts from Cranfield University to help us understand rates of peat loss, carbon content and peat depths at the Great Fen, we then carried out a small pilot and a feasibility study with respected

environmental investment experts Finance Earth in 2022 and 2023. The work was supported by the Government's Natural Environment Investment Readiness Fund. This enabled us to move forward with confidence last year after we took on ownership of Speechly's Farm following a grant from The National Lottery Heritage Fund and our largest ever public appeal.

With a rigorous evidence base and a business plan in place we began the process of getting the land registered for carbon credits. After an initial validation the project will be verified by the Soil Association regularly to ensure it meets stringent monitoring and verification requirements.

Our five year plan to create a restored wetland habitat at Speechly's will save thousands of tonnes of carbon dioxide from entering the atmosphere, and this funding model will ensure we can continue to manage it for wildlife and the climate for many years beyond that. It is a key part of the wider 50-year landscape-scale plan to link the National Nature Reserves of Woodwalton Fen and Holme Fen and deliver a vast wetland habitat of 3,700 hectares (14 square miles).

This project enables us to create meaningful partnerships with businesses committed to achieving carbon reductions as part of their net zero emissions pledge, and secures the future of the Great Fen vision.

Restoration of Speechly's Farm will connect vital habitats

Young People's Forum

The future of our environment – a view from the Young People's Forum

We are part of the Wildlife Trust BCN's Young People's Forum and we meet regularly to talk about ways we can help the environment.

Young people today have some very major concerns and the climate crisis is a particularly significant one.

This crisis has the potential to lead to water wars, food security problems and mass global instability. There are lots of ways to tackle this. The conservation movement can play its part – managing peatlands like the Great Fen in Cambridgeshire is a great way to reduce carbon emissions. But also the movement needs to help businesses and government do the most effective things for climate change.

There are tipping points. What we are most worried about is that we don't stop environmentally damaging activities in time leading to a cascade effect and we won't be able to reverse the damage that's been done.

When we talk to other young people in our schools and communities they seem to have lost their faith in politicians and decision-makers on both ends of the political spectrum. When politicians are mentioned everyone collectively sighs and groans. A lot of young people are feeling depressed about what's going on in the world and they don't have faith in the people who are elected to make right decisions for us on the environment.

We have met and talked to politicians locally including Cambridgeshire Mayor Nik Johnson and Cambridge MP Daniel Zeichner and they did listen well, but in some cases politicians don't. Sometimes when it comes to these sorts of conversations it is the young people who are not approaching the conversation in the right way, or not engaging in the issue at all – it is a two-way conversation and everyone has to play their part.

Young people can get the message out there – the biggest weapon in young people's arsenal is our voice and we need to use it. To politicians, parents, teachers, university staff, anyone who can make a difference. These people will listen to us, they value us, we just need to make the effort to get the message out loud and clear. That's why we're here. Our message to all young people is: if you care, you need to say something.



Finance

Total income: £6,888,241

£452,616

Donations, legacies and corporate sponsorship

We are hugely grateful to all those individuals and organisations who have given to fund our work over the past year. We remember with gratitude our generous supporters from whom we received a gift in their Will.

£1,610,083

Membership (and Gift Aid)

Our members and corporate members not only provide substantial unrestricted funds that can be used where the need is greatest, they also give strength to our voice when advocating and campaigning for wildlife.

£2,214,635

Grants

The grants we are awarded each year are vital for some of our most important projects. Competition for grants is always high so we are thankful for the belief in our work of the grant makers who have supported us in the past year.

£416,628

Rural Payments Agency

Payments made by Defra for the environmental stewardship and management of land.

£1,229,669

Land advice, advocacy and management contracts

Income resulting from partnerships with land owners such as councils and property developers where an improvement for wildlife can be obtained.

£964,610

Business activities

Income from products and services we sell - including from our Nene Wetlands visitor centre and online shop - land rents, and event fees charged and other activities helping to create a sustainable income.

Total expenditure: £7,081,234

£3,186,872

Nature reserve management

With over 100 nature reserves in our care, we continue to spend the largest portion of our income on maintaining and improving these precious habitats for wildlife.

£1,616,019

Conservation outside our reserves

Key to building strong Living Landscapes and to creating a Nature Recovery Network, this work encompasses our advocacy and advice for land managers, work on our waterways and partnership projects.

£1,312,735

Fundraising and income generation

Costs invested in generating financial support.

£965,608

Education and community engagement

Inspiring a love of nature is central to our mission. People will not protect what they do not love.

Legacies

We are always grateful when our supporters include us in their Will, trusting us to protect the local species and habitats they love, beyond their lifetime. Every gift, no matter its size, makes a significant difference to our work, and we deeply appreciate each one.

Legacy gifts directly help our mission to create a wilder Beds, Cambs, and Northants, creating places for wildlife to thrive and people to enjoy. This year, legacies have supported us in many ways: from contributing to community projects and education programs like Bradgers Hill in Luton, to conservation efforts at our reserves like Strawberry Hill, and essential operations that keep our charity running smoothly. Legacies are key to making our mission a reality.

We acknowledge the recent legacy gifts from our generous supporters, in particular:

Rita Birtwhistle
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Dr Bernard Nau
David Ruffle
Bernard Scott
John Shaw
Richard Shotbolt

For more information on legacy giving visit
www.wildlifebcn.org/legacies



Four-spotted chaser by Neil
Malton, Wildlife Trust BCN
Photography Competition 2023

Supporting our work

We are very proud to be associated with some of our region's most sustainable and forward-thinking businesses, and exceptionally grateful for their ongoing support for our work.

Thanks to all those that have supported us, including:

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Cambridgeshire Gardens Trust
Constance Travis Charitable Trust
Douglas Compton James Charitable Trust
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FCC Communities Foundation Ltd
Gamlingay Community Turbine Ltd Tithe Fund
Glassmoor Local Environment Fund
Hamamelis Trust
Jack Patston Charitable Trust
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Linder Foundation
National Lottery Heritage Fund
Natural England
Nene River Church
North Northamptonshire Council
Northwick Trust
Penchant Foundation
Ramsey Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund
Red Tile Wind Farm Trust Fund Ltd
Robin & Henrietta Woods Charitable Trust
Rookery South Community Trust Fund
South Trumpington Parish Council
Simon Gibson Charitable Trust
St Mary's Charity
Thalia WB Community Fund
Wild Flower Society
Wright's Clock Land



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Hares boxing by Kevin Pigney, Wildlife Trust
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