



A programme of Conservation Volunteering to improve local green spaces. *Join in whenever suits you.*

Norfolk Environmental Action Team

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Join us whenever you can, we do not require any regular commitment to attend. FREE Minibus leaves at 10am from the Corner of Queens Road & Brazen Gate, by the traffic lights and glass canopy next to the big Sainsbury's near Norwich bus station [what3words: single.affair.robe]. If you would like a lift from near UEA, please ask. **Booking is NOT usually needed** - just turn up any day, but to be sure of a place on the minibus for days marked **BM** below, contact mark.webster@tcv.org.uk / 07740 899 691. See end of this document for more info, including details about who can attend (most people). Sessions run from arrival on site (depends on traffic and travel distance) to 3.00pm on site. If you do not need to get the minibus back, **you can leave whenever you need to** (just let the leader know). Minibus returns to central Norwich by 4.00pm. **Mobile number to contact us on the day: 07740 899 691.**

BT means FREE bus travel - tickets refunded for all volunteers for any bus journeys to and from either of our meeting points on the day.

PT means petrol-powered tools likely to be in use for at least some of the day: extra ear defenders are available for you if you want them. All other tasks are expected to be done with hand tools so should generally be quite quiet. **WC** means toilets within walking distance. **L** means lunch is provided.

Date	Site	Activity	Site Meeting Point (if coming by car or bike) at 10.15am unless otherwise stated
Mon 3 rd	Caistor Roman Town NEW SITE BT	What have we ever done for the Romans? Nothing until now, but we are going to plant a new hedge at this extraordinary site.	Roman fort car park (brown signs) on Stoke Road, just south of Caistor St Edmund (NOT Caister-on-sea!), Norwich, NR14 8QL. [what3words: last.buildings.deciding]
Tues 4 th	Alderford Common	Bonfire of the Blackthorn-trees. Clearing up the mess we made, the chance for a jolly (but controlled) blaze.	Small car park on Reepham Road (between Hall Road and Broad Lane), Alderford, NR9 5NG (OS grid ref: TG 128 184). [what3words:

			spoils.urban.collected] Arriving approx 10.25am.
Wed 5 th	Acle Allotments	A last ditch effort. One more go at opening up this overgrown ditch, plus the chance to explore Roman Wood.	Not the cemetery! Allotments car park, opposite Hermitage Pub, Boat Dyke Lane (near junction with A1064 Old Road), Acle, NR13 3QP. [what3words: marinated.upcoming.cure] Arriving approx 10.20am WC via minibus at lunchtime
Thurs 6 th	East Ruston Poors Land	You can take a gorse to water...but you can't make it burn there! Best go to the bonfire instead. Heathland management to save the heather.	Car park at Butchers Arms, at junction of Oak Lane with School Road, East Ruston, NR12 9JQ (OS grid ref: TG 345 282). [what3words: inflates.square.victory] Arriving approx 10.45am.
Fri 7 th	Bunkers Hill Woods PT	A Stella(r) performance? Cutting back brambles for the bluebells, planting trees...and picking up a few beer cans!	Entrance to the woodland, near the junction of Runcton Close and Earlham Green Lane, West Earlham, Norwich, NR5 8RD. [what3words: funds.cried.energetic]
Mon 10 th	Netherwood Green Woods BT	Who guards the guards? Coppicing, cutting back bramble, and removing unwanted tree guards.	At the entrance to the woods near Webster Court, Lakenfields (take Stratford Drive off Long John Hill), NR1 2HB. [what3words: effort.left.pills]. Or minibus from Brazen Gate at 10am as usual.
Tues 11 th	East Ruston Poors Land	There upon the blasted heath...thanes, witches and anyone else welcome to meet us to help look after this very rare habitat.	Car park at Butchers Arms, at junction of Oak Lane with School Road, East Ruston, NR12 9JQ (OS grid ref: TG 345 282). [what3words: inflates.square.victory] Arriving approx 10.45am.

Wed 12 th	East Ruston Poors Land	Heath, cliff, it's me...come to grab your gorse away. Not so cold, as we will have a bonfire to warm us.	Car park at Butchers Arms, at junction of Oak Lane with School Road, East Ruston, NR12 9JQ (OS grid ref: TG 345 282). [what3words: inflates.square.victory] Arriving approx 10.45am.
Thurs 13 th	East Ruston Poors Land	East(er) Ruston bunnies? Not enough rabbit grazing here, so we are helping out the heather by keeping the scrub down.	Car park at Butchers Arms, at junction of Oak Lane with School Road, East Ruston, NR12 9JQ (OS grid ref: TG 345 282). [what3words: inflates.square.victory] Arriving approx 10.45am.
Fri 14 th	Queen's Hills Community Park PT	Queen queenie, lives on his back...staying upright in fact to cut back scrub, creating insect corridors from heath to heath.	By small waterworks on Alfred Munnings Road, between Longwater Shopping Centre and Queen's Hills housing estate, Costessey, Norwich: nearest postcode NR8 5EY. (OS grid reference TG 153 117) [what3words: lows.science.remarking] Arriving ~ 10.25am.
Mon 17 th	Horsford Horsebeck Way BT	Paths to Glory. Finishing off another of our glorious log-lined woodland paths for all to enjoy.	Horseback Way (by the junction with Becksides), Horsford, NR10 3SY (OS grid ref: TG 189 159). [what3words: spellings.thirsty.meaty] Arriving approx 10.25am. WC at village hall.
Tues 18 th	East Ruston Poors Land	Cooking gorse with Ruston Lee. No culinary skills required, but we will have a bonfire for all the cleared gorse.	Car park at Butchers Arms, at junction of Oak Lane with School Road, East Ruston, NR12 9JQ (OS grid ref: TG 345 282). [what3words: inflates.square.victory] Arriving approx 10.45am.

Wed 19 th	Flordon Common	Flor it! We are accelerating to remove as many alder seedlings as possible – but everyone can work at their own pace.	Opposite gate marked “Harvey House”, Norwich Road (north of Marsh Lane), Flordon, NR15 1RZ. (O.S. Grid Ref TM 181 974) [what3words: sheep.apart.winter] Arriving approx 10.30am
Thurs 20 th	East Ruston Poors Land	Everywhere you go, always take the heather with you...rain or shine we will be cutting gorse and birch to save the heath.	Car park at Butchers Arms, at junction of Oak Lane with School Road, East Ruston, NR12 9JQ (OS grid ref: TG 345 282). [what3words: inflates.square.victory] Arriving approx 10.45am.
Fri 21 st	UEA Marsh PT	Once more into the marsh, dear friends... or close the wall up with our dead reeds. Wetland management.	Between Student Union (SU / LCR) and Congregation Hall, off University Drive, off Earlham Road, Norwich, NR4 7TJ [what3words: shelf.ranked.length] WC on campus (10 mins walk)
Mon 24 th	Rouen Road BT	Let’s go to see the Rouens. Last year’s wildflowers my be in tatters, but now we prepare to plant again for this summer.	Rouen Road at junction with Argyle Street, central Norwich, NR1 1QS. [what3words: union.builds.detail] WC at nearby café.
Tues 25 th	Gunton Community Park NEW SITE	Getting fruity! Planting fruit trees and other trees and shrubs to create a new community garden.	Outside Gunton Estate Community Hall, junction of Montgomery Avenue and Hollingsworth Road, Lowestoft, Suffolk, NR32 4AT. [what3words: parade.fallen.salad] Please note NOT the Gunton in Norfolk! Arriving approx 10.55am. L bacon / veg rolls WC at the hall.

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Fri 28 th	Wensum Park PT	Tales from the Riverbank. Every tree can tell a story – in this case a tale of peril as the weeds threaten to overwhelm them.	Wensum Park north-west entrance, A1067 Drayton Road, Norwich, NR3 2DF. [what3words: budget.sticky.walks] WC within the park.
Mon 31 st	Queen's Hills BT Community Park PT	The United Queen- dom. We all stand together to protect and restore this beautiful sandy heath for King and all the country.	By small waterworks on Alfred Munnings Road, between Longwater Shopping Centre and Queen's Hills housing estate, Costessey, Norwich: nearest postcode NR8 5EY. (OS grid reference TG 153 117) [what3words: lows.science.remarking] Arriving ~ 10.25am.

BOOKING There is usually enough space for everyone on the minibus if we are working in or near Norwich, but for some longer trips the minibus might get full, if you wish you can email or text Mark (details below) to be sure of a place on the bus – this is especially advised on days marked **BM** above. If you would find it helpful to ask us anything before coming on a project for the first time, please do contact us - see below. Otherwise, if you are over 18 and don't have any unspent convictions for serious crimes, you can just turn up and join in. **If you are 16 or 17** you will need a parent or guardian to sign our permission form before you can get started - please contact us if you need one. **If you have unspent convictions** for sexual or violent offences, you will not be able to volunteer with TCV (please contact us for a confidential chat if you need to check if this applies to you).

MEETING POINTS If you would like a map, or directions to the site, please contact us. FREE Minibus transport is available from outside stated pick-up points only, returning to the same place at the end of the session. We do our best to keep to time, but due to traffic etc, timings are approximate.

WE PROVIDE All tools and protective equipment are provided, please bring your own refreshments (drinks and a packed lunch) for the day, unless a task is marked **L** above, when lunch is provided from a nearby shop or takeaway. If a site has toilets this is indicated on the programme by '**WC**' in the 'Site Meeting Point' column. If the toilet is more than 5 minutes walk away we will go there by minibus at lunchtime.

PLEASE WEAR Old work clothes, suitable for the weather. If you have them, please bring reasonably sturdy shoes or boots, and rainwear. We provide work gloves and everything else necessary for the task. You are advised to check if your tetanus inoculation is up to date.

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