SWT EAST MENDIP CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS Winter 2023 Task programme



Harridge Woods & other East Mendip SWT Reserves

Please note the change of date for the January task

Sunday 5th November – Harridge Woods West – working in Limekiln fields to remove scrub from the fences and if time from the field. Using tree poppers to remove saplings.

Sunday 3rd December – Harridge Wood West – Replacing gate posts at Keepers cottage to keep the roost secure. Removing debris from gutters and tree saplings from the walls.

Sunday 14th January – Harridge Woods West – Protecting natural saplings and checking on the earlier planting.

Sunday 4th February – Harridge Wood West – <u>task to be confirmed</u> – removing invasive species / installing new interpretation boards.

Sunday 3rd March – Harridge Woods West- Footpath clearance, the footpaths need cutting back at the sides, especially in the lighter areas where the bramble is trying to take over.

Sunday 7th April – Harridge Wood West - Lime Kiln Field. Fencing repairs, preparing the field ready for summer grazing. Other work in Limekiln Fields will also be available for those not wanting to carryout fence works

Meet at 10am, work until 1pm approx. Tea & Coffee provided & biscuits. Wear old clothes, walking boots/wellies & work gloves/usually have spares. Waterproofs if wet, but if very wet or strong winds, phone first as may cancel workday if unsafe to work. Mobiles not always within reach of signal in woods.

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Directions to Harridge Woods, Nettlebridge, Oakhill. BA3 5AA

Unless stated, meet at entrance to Harridge Woods at **ST 648 484,** in Nettlebridge, 1 mile from Oakhill, 4 miles from Shepton Mallet. From Oakhill on A367 Bath Road, turn right off main road on left bend between chevrons, as drop downhill into Nettlebridge valley. From Norton/Radstock, turn left off A367 opp white cottages into Nettlebridge village, drive to top of lane, park on verge to right of gate, or by gateway. What3words is evaporate.pillows.scarves.