

East Poldens Conservation Volunteers



This friendly group works with the Reserves Manager on a variety of practical habitat management tasks at nature reserves in South Somerset. You will meet like-minded people and learn new skills while working in the beautiful Polden Hills. There will be a short introduction to the reserve and the work at the start of each task.

We meet at 10.20am and finish at 3.45pm but all help, for however long, is welcome. There can be up to half a mile walk from car parking to work site. No experience is required and tools are provided.

YOU WILL NEED: Packed lunch, sturdy footwear, work gloves, waterproofs and hardy outdoors clothes. Tea and biscuits provided, but please bring your own mug! An up-to-date anti-Tetanus injection is strongly advised for most outdoor activities.

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October – December 2026 Task List

Date	Reserve	Task	Meet (10.20am) ¹
<i>Tue 6th October</i>	Turn Hill (Aller and Beer Woods)*	Cutting & raking vegetation on the calcareous grassland	Roadside adjacent gate to National Trust Turn Hill, High Ham. ST413315 //bootleg.stooping.tokens
<i>Tue 13th October</i>	Horsehill Coppice	Cutting and burning Wilson's Honeysuckle in this small ancient woodland	Woodland entrance gate, Downclose Lane, North Perrott, ST483087 ///stowing.petal.trombone
<i>Tue 20th October</i>	New Hill*	Cutting, raking off and burning bramble and gorse on calcareous grassland	Worley Hill, accessed from stoned track signed 'Oakwood Grange' off B3151 at Littleton. ST497310 ///hydrant.iteration.seasonal
<i>Tue 27th October</i>			
<i>Tue 3rd November</i>	New Hill	Cutting woodland ride edges	O Frost Forestry entrance to Great Breach Wood, south of Wickham's Cross, Butleigh. ST506324 ///ghost.hops.written
<i>Tue 10th November</i>	Great Breach Wood	Cutting woodland ride edges	O Frost Forestry entrance to Great Breach Wood, south of Wickham's Cross, Butleigh. ST506324 ///ghost.hops.written
<i>Tue 17th November</i>	Aller and Beer Woods	Coppicing a coupe of hazel	Roadside adjacent gate to National Trust Turn Hill, High Ham. ST413315 //bootleg.stooping.tokens
<i>Tue 24th November</i>	Green Down*	Coppicing or clearing scrub on calcareous grassland	Roadside lay-by just past the bottom of the track to Green Down, west of Charlton Mackrell. ST512289 ///gone.grove.pile
<i>Tue 1st December</i>			
<i>Tue 8th December</i>	Tannager*	Coppicing gorse and clearing bramble on calcareous grassland	Goose Lane/School Lane, Compton Dundon, TA11 6TE. ST480325 ///briefing.envisage.grapes
<i>Tue 15th December</i>	Great Breach Wood	Coppicing a coupe of hazel	O Frost Forestry entrance to Great Breach Wood, south of Wickham's Cross, Butleigh. ST506324 ///ghost.hops.written
<i>22nd December</i>	Dundon Beacon	Cutting track edge	Goose Lane/School Lane, Compton Dundon, TA11 6TE. ST480325 ///briefing.envisage.grapes

¹Clicking on the meeting place description will open the location in Google Maps, or clicking on the three words will open what3words.com

* Work area is on a steep slope