



Newsletter

Bracknell Conservation Volunteers

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Our last task in 2020 was at Farningham Ride, 15 December. Our planned task on 22 December was cancelled when tier 4 Covid restrictions were imposed. Complete lockdown was imposed subsequently. The 30 March task below is our first after the end of lockdown.

What we've been doing

30 March 2021

South Hill Park

We formed ourselves into sub-groups of not more than 6 volunteers. Group 1 worked to clear wallflowers, dandelions and other weeds from a bed in the Italian Garden. Group 2 had a very hard task clearing deeply-rooted shrubs and other plants from a bed at the front of the mansion. Group 3 worked on path edging around a Wellingtonia tree. Group 4 tidied up path edging around the car park.

18 volunteers attended. A number of volunteers commented that they had lost strength during lockdown, and found the task quite hard.

The weather was cloudy initially, but the sun broke through later and it became very warm.



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Westmorland Park

The first task today was to remove a knee rail near the car park. This was done fairly quickly. We then worked in separate groups of 6 on different stretches of dead hedge. Some of the material for the hedges was already present on site, some binders and filling material were harvested as we were constructing the hedge. The weather was very cold initially, especially in the biting wind. Later it got a bit warmer. 14 volunteers attended.



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Coming up next

13 April 2021

Evenlode Way/Snails Park

Bank clearance and cycle track maintenance. Meet at Evenlode way.

<https://www.streetmap.co.uk/map.srf?X=484618&Y=161610&Z=106>

20 April 2021

Whitegrove Copse

Dead hedging to protect bluebells.

<https://www.streetmap.co.uk/map.srf?X=487863&Y=170221&Z=106>

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