



Warriors at Common-y-Coed

Warriors Get Creative for Conservation!

Kathy Barclay, GWT Magor Marsh Community Officer

Gwent Wildlife Trust's Wildlife Warriors group is transforming a community council-owned field into a wildlife habitat.

This nature-loving youth club for 10-16 year olds has been running for five years and they have now been kindly invited by the Magor and Undy Community Council to get their hands dirty and help to create a wildlife haven in Common-y-Coed near Magor.

The youngsters have already spent time surveying the wildflowers, animals and trees in the plot and thinking of ways that they could improve and manage it for wildlife whilst making it more accessible for small groups to visit. Some of the rotten trees have been felled to allow the undergrowth to sprout up and the Warriors were tasked with moving timber and making log piles.

Paul Cawley, local councillor, Gwent Wildlife Trust trustee, and Wildlife Warriors volunteer leader has spearheaded the partnership project and has encouraged the youngsters all the way.

"I can't believe the commitment and energy they are giving to this project," Paul says. "It seems to have captured their interest and I know this is something worthwhile for them to be involved with and it will be great for them to see their plans take shape."

GWT would like to take this opportunity to thank Paul Cawley and Beverly Reed from the community council for giving their time and energy to seek funding and for helping the children to be involved in this worthwhile and long-term local project.

Wildlife Warriors is run by Tom Rugg at Magor Marsh from April to October on Wednesday evenings from 6.30-8.30pm. For more information, contact us on magormarsh@gwentwildlife.org