

BEES CONSERVATION VOLUNTEER PROGRAMME

We work on a number of urban and urban fringe sites, managing them for the benefit of wildlife and local people. We offer an opportunity for anybody interested in nature conservation or people keen to help maintain local areas and make a positive impact on the local environment and community. No previous experience is necessary; training will be given on the day. Please bring a packed lunch and wear suitable clothing if you intend to stay for the full day.

The meeting point for group travel to sites is YMCA Culture Fusion, 125 Thornton Road, Bradford, BD1 2EP (a few minutes' walk from City Park). If you would like a lift in the minibus please arrive before 10am. Sessions run from 10.30-3.30. If you need to borrow boots please let us know beforehand.

If you are interested in joining our volunteer programme please contact the office prior to attending.

Friday September-October 2025	
12th September	Stoney Ridge Plantation meeting by Grange Lodge, Bingley Rd, Bingley, Bradford, BD9 6SA. We will continue creating our wildflower nursery and growing on area, potting up wildflower plants and cutting paths to improve access.
19th September	Bowling Park Community Orchard, in the allotments on Bowling Park Drive, BD4 7ET. We will continue to replace the damaged benches, clearing under the trees and harvesting fruit and cutting some of the meadow and paths, as well as hedges
26th September	Bradford Urban nature Reserve, Laisteridge Lane Student Village, Laisteridge lane, BD5 0NH. Tasks include continuing to improve habitats for biodiversity after the loss of trees last year. Tasks also include mowing the paths and clearing non-native plants in the woodland
3rd October	Bowling Park Community Orchard, in the allotments on Bowling Park Drive, BD4 7ET. We will be mainly harvesting fruit, completing the meadow cutting, hedge cutting and path clearing for access on Apple Day
10th October	Bowling Park Community Orchard, in the allotments on Bowling Park Drive, BD4 7ET. Last minute site preparations for our 25 th Apple Day event on Sunday. We will leave the orchard early afternoon to pack resources for the event back at Culture Fusion
Sunday 12th October	APPLE DAY Bowling Park Community Orchard, in the allotments on Bowling Park Drive, BD4 7ET. Come along and celebrate our 25th Apple Day event on Sunday from 12-4pm. There will be live music, apple juicing using a traditional apple press and games and activities for children. We will have a selection of home-made cakes, desserts and savouries made using apples from the orchard and be selling our apples, chutneys and juice - if you'd like to bake a cake for the event, please let us know in advance, so we can coordinate what type of cakes we will have. We can get apples to you, if you need some. Any help volunteering both on and before the event, is much appreciated. We need volunteers to help us set up in the morning. We also need help running the event itself. For more information or to volunteer, please get in touch
17th October	Bradford Urban nature Reserve, Laisteridge Lane Student Village, Laisteridge lane, BD5 0NH. Tasks include improving the habitats after the loss of trees last year. building path edging with logs, clearing the pond, building habitat piles and removing excess vegetation

We try and stick to the advertised programme but sometimes changes are unavoidable particularly in bad weather. If we have to make changes and know you are attending we will contact you, if not we advise that you ring or check our website and social media on the day for the latest information.