

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-November 2026
11 th September		Bowling Park Community Orchard, in the allotments on Bowling Park Drive, BD4 7ET. We will be harvesting fruit trees, painting Belvedere, clearing around paths, mowing and carrying out other seasonal tasks, such as hedge cutting
*On Tuesday 15th September We will have an apple juicing day on the meadow garden at Culture Fusion Please get in touch if you would like to help.		
18 th September		Bradford Urban Nature Reserve, Laisteridge Lane Student Village, Laisteridge lane, BD5 0NH. We will be planting wildflowers, mowing and path clearing.
25 th September		Bowling Park Community Orchard, in the allotments on Bowling Park Drive, BD4 7ET. Tasks include continuing to harvest fruit and hedge cutting
2 nd October		Bowling Park Community Orchard, in the allotments on Bowling Park Drive, BD4 7ET. We will be harvesting fruit, clearing around paths, mowing and carrying out other seasonal tasks
9 th October		Bowling Park Community Orchard, in the allotments on Bowling Park Drive, BD4 7ET. . Last minute site preparations for our 26 th Apple Day event on Sunday. We will leave the orchard early afternoon to pack resources for the event back at Culture Fusion
SUNDAY 11 th October		APPLE DAY Bowling Park Community Orchard, in the allotments on Bowling Park Drive, BD4 7ET. Come along and celebrate our 26th 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 hot food, made using apples from the orchard. We will have apple, chutney and juice sales. 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 and pack away at the end of the day. We also need help running the event itself. For more information or to volunteer, please get in touch
16 th October		Stoney Ridge Plantation meeting by Grange Lodge, Bingley Rd, Bingley, Bradford, BD9 6SA. We will be collecting and sorting tree guards for the next recycling collection
23 rd October		Bradford Urban Nature Reserve, Laisteridge Lane Student Village, Laisteridge lane, BD5 0NH. We will be planting wildflowers, mowing and path clearing.

30th October	Bradford Urban Nature Reserve, Laisteridge Lane Student Village, Laisteridge lane, BD5 0NH. The main task will be clearing excess vegetation from both the ponds. We will also be clearing overgrown areas
6th November	Community Street planting project to be confirmed
13th November	Stoney Ridge Plantation meeting by Grange Lodge, Bingley Rd, Bingley, Bradford, BD9 6SA. We will start to clear the build-up of mud from the pond, so it doesn't dry out so fast, collecting tree guards and supporting trees
20th November	Stoney Ridge Plantation meeting by Grange Lodge, Bingley Rd, Bingley, Bradford, BD9 6SA. Tasks will be continuing to clear the build-up of mud from the pond, collecting tree guards and supporting trees

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.