

Report from the Working Group for climate and nature February 2024

1. Thermal Imaging Camera

The new camera was used to carry out 9 home surveys during cold weather in January. There are plans to survey Glemsford Primary Academy and the Village Hall (when in use) before the weather warms up too much.

2. St Mary's Churchyard Wildflower Project / Tree Planting

A bat box has been fixed on a tree by the corner of The Spinney and some encroaching ivy cut back.

The hedge between the wildlife project area and the Cemetery has been cut very short; if possible it would be preferable if future cutting be carried out by members of the working group. Three sycamores planted in error along the project area hedge have been replaced with crab apple trees. The sycamores will be re-planted at a location to be decided.

3. Village Litter Pick

It was agreed to hold a community litter pick on Sunday 17th March, 10.30am from the Village Hall porch, as this date coincides with The Great British Spring Clean (organised by Keep Britain Tidy).

4. Events

LT has offered to talk on making gardens more attractive to wildlife, after speaking on this subject at Glemsford Library's inaugural meeting of The Green Group (first Thursday of the month, 11ammidday). It was suggested maybe combining this with a talk on hedgehogs/hog highways? Dates to be decided.

The Great Big Green Week 2024

This year's dates are 8th - 16th June. Proposed events may include Wildlife Friendly Open Gardens.

Three 'special days' fall into the Green Week dates: 8th June is World Oceans Day, 15th is National Clean Air Day and 16th is World Refill Day!

Date of next meeting

To be arranged - suggest late April/early May

Minutes LT 12/2/24