

Elmore Local Wildlife Site: Notice of Works

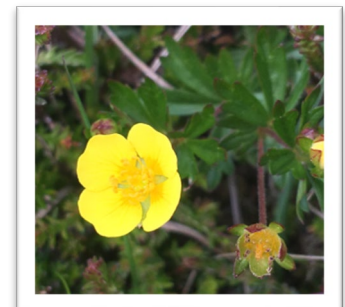


Overview

As part of the Healing Nature project, Durham Wildlife Trust and our contractors will be undertaking work to remove scrub and gorse from the area of the Local Wildlife Site that sits in the middle of what was formerly Elmore Golf Course. The work will take place during the week beginning Monday 24th January 2022. The area being cleared is indicated in red in the aerial photo below. The blue line shows the access route that we will be using.

Why are we doing this?

The aim this work is to restore conditions so that plants and insects associated with the underlying acid grassland can thrive. Lowland acid grassland is scarce and easily lost if work is not carried out to protect it. While the work will look dramatic, it is affecting less than 25% of the scrub within the Local Wildlife Site. By reinstating the acid grassland that was originally present, we will increase opportunities for wildlife within the site. Not taking action would certainly mean that plants like tormentil and heath bedstraw (pictured) would eventually disappear altogether from this area.



What does this mean for you?

There is no change to access while this work is undertaken, but there will be signage and a banks person present to ensure site users safety.

The contractors will have some machinery on site, so please be aware of this while you are visiting and keep a safe distance from the works.

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact us at: healingnature@durhamwt.co.uk or call us on: 0191 584 3112

Thank you for your patience as our contractors carry out this work.

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