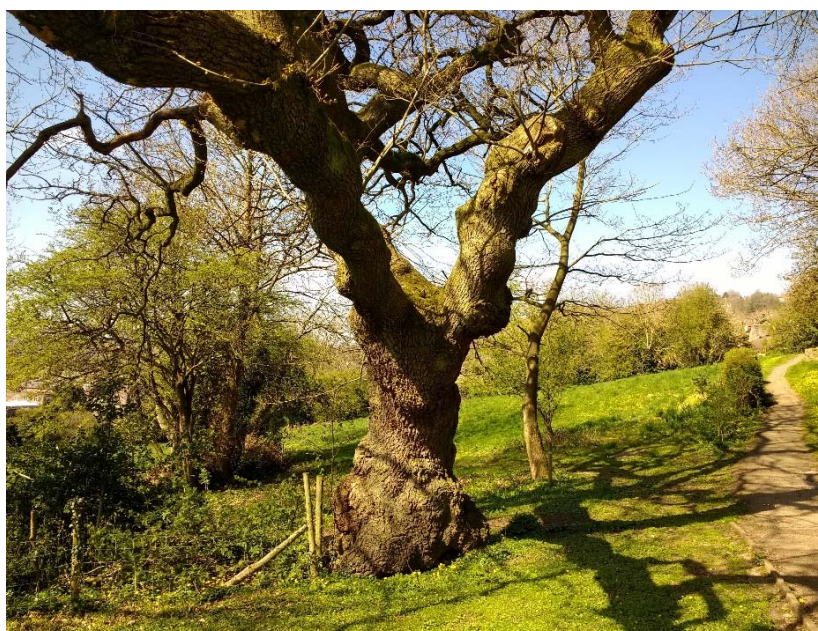
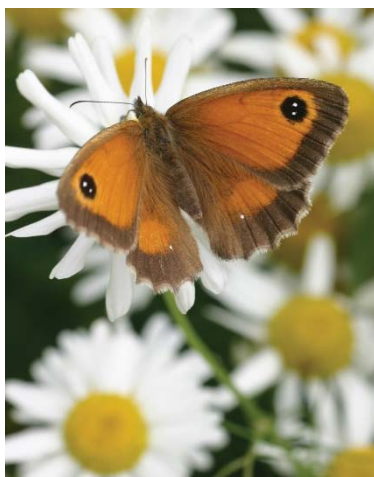


DENEFIELDS DIARY

A Review of the Year - April 2019 to March 2020



April 2019

Task Days completed 4. - Denefields 3, Baileys Tump 1. 13 Volunteers completed 92.5 hours

Wildlife Recording Session at Denefields. 2 Volunteers completed 5 hours

Maintenance Tasks	Development Projects
Hedge trimming and bonfire to burn brash at Baileys Tump	Grass/Wildflower seed mix spread in Info. Panel Glade
Bee Border and Butterfly Garden maintenance	Wildflower planting in Bee Border, Butterfly Garden and Millennium Wood
Digging out Bramble Roots in Hazel Coppice and Info Panel Glade	
Cutting back encroaching bramble from meadow	
Bonfire to burn accumulated brash	
Litter pick	

Selected Wildlife Sightings. (Full records are available if required) The total number of birds and butterfly species seen each month is shown in brackets in the relevant column.

Flowering Plants	Birds (26)	Butterflies (7)	Other Species
Lesser Celandine	Pied Wagtail	Speckled Wood	Field Vole
Bluebell	Mistle Thrush	Small Tortoiseshell	Grey Squirrel
Cuckooflower	Bullfinch	Orange Tip	
Fritillary	Blackcap	Peacock	
Marsh Marigold	Chiff Chaff	Small White	
Cowslip	Nuthatch	Holly Blue	
Forgot Me Not	Song Thrush	Large White	



May 2019

Task Days completed 3 at Denefields. 14 volunteers completed 65 hours

Wildlife Recording Session at Denefields. 2 volunteers completed 5 hours

Maintenance Tasks	Development Projects
Bee Border and Butterfly Garden maintenance	New path from Millennium Wood to "Hagrids" steps
Clearing vegetation from around young trees	Edging Boards installed on new path
Weeding on "Hagrids Steps"	Wildflower planting around the reserve
Remove dead Damson tree	
Hedge trim on sports ground boundary	
Clear vegetation along access paths and around benches, signs and bins	

Selected Wildlife Sightings. (Full records are available if required)

Flowering Plants	Birds (24)	Butterflies (10)	Other
Honesty	Tree Creeper	Small Skipper	
Dog Violet	Swift	Green Veined White	
Speedwell	Mallard	Brimstone	
Yellow Archangel	Wren	Holly Blue	
Fritillary	Sparrow Hawk	Orange Tip	
	Coal Tit	Speckled Wood	
	Goldfinch	Peacock	



June 2019

Task Days completed 3. – Denefields 2, River Derwent 1. 14 volunteers completed 55 hours

Wildlife Recording Session at Denefields. 3 volunteers completed 7.5 hours

Events - POND FEST at Denefields. 8 volunteers completed 40 hours on preparation and delivery. Pond Dipping, Mini Beast Hunt, 2 craft stands and face painting. Attended by 16 adults and 5 children.

Maintenance Tasks	Development Projects
Willow Sculpture maintenance	
Clearing vegetation in wildlife garden and weed from pond	
Bee Border and Butterfly Garden maintenance	
Strimming around benches, compost bins and along hedge	
Cleaned Interpretation panel and Litter picks	
Grass paths mowed by Jamie	
Centre hedgerow trim	
Dead Hawthorn tree removed near top bench	
Himalayan Balsam Pulling along River Derwent paths/banks	



Selected Wildlife Sightings. (Full records are available if required)

Flowering Plants	Birds (18)	Butterflies (7)	Other
Meadow Sweet	Buzzard	Painted Lady	Grey Squirrel
Meadow Cranesbill	Song Thrush	Large White	Water Boatman
Birds Foot Trefoil	Greenfinch	Small White	Pond Skater
Yellow Rattle	Nuthatch	Small Tortoiseshell	Common Frog
		Meadow Brown	Diving Beetle
		Ringlet	Dragonfly Larvae
		Speckled Wood	Grasshopper

July 2019

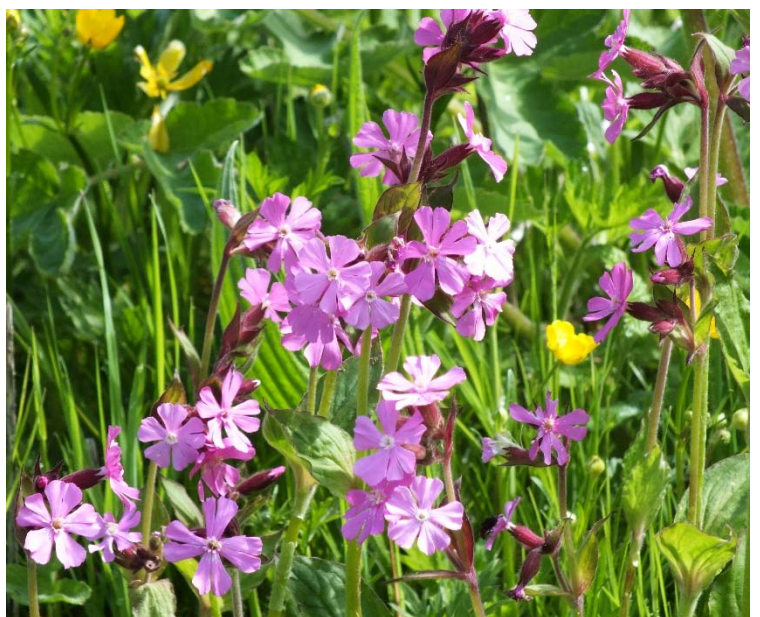
Task Days completed 3. – Denefields 2, Wild Thyme Garden 1. 12 volunteers completed 55 hours

Wildlife Recording Session at Denefields. 3 volunteers completed 7.5 hours

Maintenance Tasks	Development Projects
Litter Pick	
Dry Stone Walling repair on entrance lane	
Bee Border and Butterfly Garden maintenance	
Vegetation clearance along all paths	
Weeding and bramble root removal in Info Panel Glade	
Dead Hawthorn and Elder tree removed near top bench	
Summer maintenance visit to Wild Thyme Garden	

Selected Wildlife Sightings. (Full records are available if required)

Flowering Plants	Birds (30)	Butterflies (11)	Other
Ragwort	Buzzard (over)	Painted Lady	Cinnabar Moth
Red Campion	Red Kite (over)	Small Skipper	Chimney Sweep Moth
	Osprey (over)	Comma	
	House Martin	Small Tortoiseshell	
	Jay	Meadow Brown	
	Jackdaw	Ringlet	
	Goldcrest	Speckled Wood	
	Blue tit	Large Skipper	



August 2019

Task Days completed 5. – Denefields 4, Baileys Tump 1. 13 volunteers completed 102.5 hours

Wildlife Recording Session at Denefields. 3 volunteers completed 7.5 hours

Events - POND FEST at Denefields. 2 volunteers completed 12 hours on preparation and delivery. Pond Dipping, Mini Beast Hunt, Hedgehog Information Trail. Attended by 4 adults and 5 children.



Maintenance Tasks	Development Projects
Litter Pick	
Tidy up of Lime Tree Road entrance	
Bee Border and Butterfly Garden maintenance	
Strimming around the pond area	
Willow Sculpture maintenance	
Clearing vegetation along all main access paths	
Meadow Mowing and started grass removal	
Strimming Denefields Court Bank	
Dry Stone walling repairs at Baileys Tump	
Bramble removal from edge of meadow at Baileys Tump	

Selected Wildlife Sightings. (Full records are available if required)

Flowering Plants	Birds (22)	Butterflies (7)	Other
Meadow Sweet	House Martin	Painted Lady	Chimney Sweep Moth
Foxglove	Mistle Thrush	Gatekeeper	Burnet Moth
Honeysuckle	Jay	Peacock	Cinnabar Moth
	Swift	Speckled Wood	
	Duncock	Meadow Brown	
	Chiff Chaff	Ringlet	
		Brimstone	

September 2019

Task Days completed 3. – Denefields 2, Wellfields Allotments 1. 12 volunteers completed 57.5 hours

Wildlife Recording Session at Denefields. 3 volunteers completed 7.5 hours

Events – attended Town Show at Imperial Rooms. 2 volunteers completed 16 hours on preparation and delivery. Denefields publicity and Hedgehog Information Trail. Attended by 28 adults and 12 children.

Induction session at Denefields for David and Simon



Maintenance Tasks	Development Projects
Clearing vegetation along all main access paths	Sowing Yellow Rattle seed in wildflower meadow
Completed grass removal from wildflower meadow	Info Panel Glade seeded with grass/wildflower mix
Completed mowing at Denefields Court Bank	Planted Birds Foot Trefoil plug plants around reserve
Litter Pick	
Weeding of Hagrids Steps	
Bee Border maintenance	
Removal of Ash saplings in entrance to wood opposite "Footy Oak"	

Selected Wildlife Sightings. (Full records are available if required)

Flowering Plants	Birds (23)	Butterflies (6)	Other
Meadow Cranesbill	Buzzard	Painted Lady	Grey Squirrel
Bindweed	Goldcrest	Red Admiral	Field Mouse
Michaelmas Daisies	Jay	Peacock	
Buddleia	Nuthatch	Speckled Wood	
Holly Berries	Bullfinch	Small Tortoiseshell	
Hawthorn Berries	Greenfinch	Small White	
	Great Tit		

October 2019

Task Days completed 3 at Denefields. 16 volunteers completed 80 hours

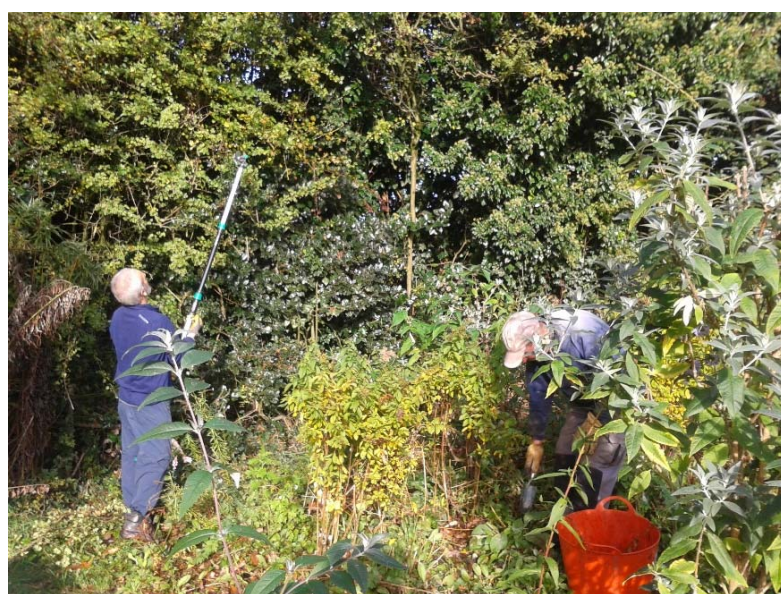
Wildlife Recording Session at Denefields. 3 volunteers completed 7.5 hours

Presentation of Denefields Management plan and environmentally friendly planting to full Council

Maintenance Tasks	Development Projects
Cut back Holly on Centre path	Work on new woodland path on edge of housing
Willow sculpture maintenance	3 bird nest boxes put up
Bee Border and Butterfly Garden maintenance	
Strimming path edges and Hazel Coppice	
"Hagrids Steps" meadow strimmed	
Trimmed bottom hedgerow	
Bramble root removal in Hazel coppice	
Crown raised Oak near wildlife pond	
Litter Pick	

Selected Wildlife Sightings. (Full records are available if required)

Flowering Plants	Birds (18)	Butterflies (4)	Other
Meadow Cranesbill	B. H. Gull	Small White	Grey Squirrel
Bindweed	Goldfinch	Red Admiral	Dragonfly sp.
Michaelmas Daisies	Feral Pigeon	Speckled Wood	
Buddleia	Buzzard	Comma	
Holly Berries	Bullfinch		
Hawthorn Berries	Sparrow Hawk		
	Nuthatch		



November 2019

Task Days completed 2 at Denefields. 13 volunteers completed 45 hours

Wildlife Recording Session at Denefields. 3 volunteers completed 7.5 hours

Maintenance Tasks	Development Projects
Trim of sports ground hedge completed	Continued work on new woodland path on edge of housing
Pruned Guelder Rose around pond	
Cutting back willow around the pond	
Bonfire to burn brash	
Clearing Bramble and Blackthorn alongside cobbled path	
Litter Pick	

Selected Wildlife Sightings. (Full records are available if required)

Flowering Plants	Birds (21)	Butterflies (0)	Other
Herb Robert	Green Woodpecker		
Ragwort	Cormorant (over)		
Daisy	Long Tailed Tit		
Wild Strawberry	Coal Tit		
Michaelmas Daisies	Blue Tit		
	Great Tit		
	Redwing		



December 2019

Task Days completed 3 at Denefields. 13 volunteers completed 52.5 hours

Wildlife Recording Session at Denefields. 2 volunteers completed 5 hours

Event - Christmas Wreath Craft Activity arranged for the volunteers. 6 attended

Meeting with Vicki about Pond Fest activities in 2020

Maintenance Tasks	Development Projects
Bee Border and Butterfly Garden maintenance	Continued work on new woodland path
Denefields Court hedgerow trim	Preparatory work on proposed steps in Millennium wood
Tidied and re-staked the habitats piles around the reserve	
Litter Pick	
Moved the accumulated ash from the fire site	



Selected Wildlife Sightings. (Full records are available if required)

Flowering Plants	Birds (22)	Butterflies (0)	Other
Michaelmas Daisies	Sparrow Hawk		Weasel
	Redwing		
	Mistle Thrush		
	Song Thrush		
	Robin		
	Raven (over)		

January 2020

Task Days completed 4 at Denefields. 13 volunteers completed 97.5 hours

Wildlife Recording Session at Denefields. 2 volunteers completed 5 hours

Meeting with Jo about the Denefields Interpretation Panels

Maintenance Tasks	Development Projects
Bee Border and Butterfly Garden maintenance	Completed the path work on the new woodland path.
Clearing bramble and digging out the roots in the Hazel Coppice	Digging out the earth steps in Millennium Wood
Bonfire for the town Christmas trees	Started putting in the wooden frontages on the earth steps in Millennium wood
Clearing the ash saplings and bramble in the woodland entrance to improve conditions for the spring bulbs	
Removed two damaged Ash trees in Millennium Wood	
Litter Pick	

Selected Wildlife Sightings. (Full records are available if required)

Flowering Plants	Birds (20)	Butterflies (0)	Other
Dogs Mercury	Magpie		Grey Squirrel
Snowdrops	Robin		
Lesser Celandine	Dunnoch		
	Wren		
	Chaffinch		
	House Sparrow		



February 2020

Task Days completed 2. - Denefields 1, Wild Thyme Garden 1. 13 volunteers completed 47.5 hours

Wildlife Recording Session at Denefields. 2 volunteers completed 5 hours

Meeting with Jo and Helen about the Denefields Interpretation Panels



Maintenance Tasks	Development Projects
Moved brash from Wild Thyme to Denefields	Planted 20 saplings in Bachelor's Meadow woodland area
Pruned hedges and bushes at Wild Thyme	Completed putting timber frontages onto the woodland steps
Cleared the vegetation encroaching onto pavements at Wild Thyme	
Bonfire to burn brash from Wild Thyme Garden	
Clearing bramble and digging out the roots in the Hazel Coppice	
Clearing the ash saplings and bramble in the woodland entrance to improve conditions for the spring bulbs	
Litter Pick	

Selected Wildlife Sightings. (Full records are available if required)

Flowering Plants	Birds (16)	Butterflies (0)	Other
Snowdrop	Goldfinch		
Daffodil	Bullfinch		
Lesser Celandine	Crow		
Dandelion	Redwing		
Primrose	Buzzard		
Crocus	Nuthatch		

March 2020

Task Days completed 2. – Denefields 1, Baileys Tump 1. 11 volunteers completed 27.5 hours

Wildlife Recording Session at Denefields. 1 volunteer completed 2.5 hours

Maintenance Tasks	Development Projects
Hedgerow trim at Baileys Tump	
Cleared overhanging vegetation on Bull Lane at Baileys Tump	
Litter Pick	
Cutting back encroaching vegetation on main paths	
Cleaned the Interpretation Panel	



Selected Wildlife Sightings. (Full records are available if required)

Flowering Plants	Birds (21)	Butterflies (0)	Other
Lesser Celandine	Green Woodpecker		Fox
Daffodil	Chaffinch		Frogspawn in Pond
Flowering Redcurrant	Wren		
Broom	Pied Wagtail		
Primrose	Chiff Chaff		
	Greenfinch		

Statistics

Sites and Work Days

	Denefields	Denefields	Denefields	Wellfields	Wild Thyme	Baileys Tump	River Derwent
	Events	Recording	Tasks	Tasks	Tasks	Tasks	Tasks
Month							
April 2019		1	3			1	
May		1	3				
June	1	1	2				1
July		1	2		1		
August	1	1	4			1	
September	1	1	2	1			
October		1	3				
November		1	2				
December		1	3				
January 2020		1	4				
February		1	1		1		
March		1	1			1	
Total	3	12	30	1	2	3	1

Volunteers and Hours

	Tasks	Tasks	Recording	Recording	Events	Events	Total Hours
	Volunteers	Hours	Volunteers	Hours	Volunteers	Hours	
April	13	92.5	2	5			97.5
May	14	65	2	5			70
June	14	55	3	7.5	8	40	102.5
July	12	55	3	7.5			62.5
August	13	102.5	3	7.5	2	12	122
September	12	57.5	3	7.5	2	16	81
October	16	80	3	7.5			87.5
November	13	45	3	7.5			52.5
December	13	52.5	2	5			57.5
January	13	97.5	2	5			102.5
February	13	47.5	2	5			52.5
March	11	25	1	2.5			27.5
Total		775		72.5		68	915.5