



Prestwick Road Meadows

SCRUB MANAGEMENT ENGAGEMENT

Proposal

Introduction

We plan to implement scrub management at the Prestwick Road Meadows Local Nature Reserve, addressing extensive scrub growth that is encroaching on grassland, a small pond, entrances, and boundaries, limiting public views and restricting access.

Details of works

The works will be overseen by Hertfordshire County Council's Countryside Management Service (CMS), who support Three Rivers District Council on the management of the site. The works are proposed to take place in the autumn/winter of 2024 and include:

Scrub Clearance

The aim is to reduce scrub across the site, letting in light to support plant communities to thrive in the meadow and woodland areas, as well as increasing the ecological condition of the pond. Clearance around entrances will better enable the public to access the site for amenity use. The work will primarily involve the Prestwick Road entrance, southern entrance, and central grassland area. See map for specific areas.

Tree Work

There are a few trees that require management through coppicing, pollarding or raising the canopy. These works will either support accessibility or enable more light into areas, except for a laurel tree which will be removed as it's a non-native species. See map for further details.

Stakeholder Feedback

Thank you for taking the time to read this proposal. We would welcome any feedback on the works proposed. The engagement period will run for three weeks from 4th to 24th November 2024. If you would like to comment or require further information, please contact the Countryside Management Service:

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