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Bovingdon Green Pond



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Bovingdon Green Pond - the Project

Over the last few decades, Bovingdon Green Pond had become overgrown with trees and shrubs. This dense cover restricted light getting to the pond, and created an abundance of leaf litter and debris. These factors diminished the pond's wildlife value and screened the pond from public view. In 2010, a restoration project was

established that aimed to restore the pond, re-establishing both its importance for wildlife and value to local people.



The first stage of this project was to clear out the majority of vegetation. This included coppicing of young trees and shrubs, and brush-cutting bramble and scrub. All mature trees were retained. These works immediately changed the character of the area, re-establishing old views between the Green and Grange Farm.



Once the area had been cleared of vegetation, a large excavator was brought in to dredge the pond of all accumulated silt and leaf litter. The removed debris was spread along the south side of the pond area in order to let water drain back in to the pond, and to retain any important wildlife on site such as insects and dormant plant seeds.



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With the major works complete, other improvements were implemented, including the construction of a footpath and steps to allow better access to the pond. Wooden bollards were installed along the roadside boundary and two new benches were positioned at either end of the footpath; these were kindly donated by the Friends of St Lawrence Trust and were hand crafted from a Corsican pine that fell in the churchyard of St Lawrence Church.



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Look out for the installation of interpretation signage and seeding with native plants, due to take place in April 2012!