

**5 Year Work Programme 2010-2013: Worts Meadow**

Objective	Task	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
<b>1) To maintain and enhance the sites archaeological status and features.</b>	a) Undertake yearly site inspection of archaeological features of the site to ensure objectives are being met.					
	b) Carry out a cut of the grassland on the moat island.					
	c) Carry out clearance of selected areas of scrub on the moat island.					
	d) Identify trees that need to be pollarded or coppiced on the moat island.					
	e) Carrying out pollarding and coppicing on the moat island.					
<b>2) To maintain and enhance the grassland habitats on the site.</b>	a) Graze site with cattle as per Stewardship agreement					
	b) Control spear/creeping thistle by topping and weed wiping,					

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	c) Cut and rake off selected areas of grassland in area east of woodland, 2-3 times per year.					
	d) Build a new cattle holding pen.					
<b>3) To maintain and enhance the, woodland habitats on the site.</b>	a) Identify compartments within the woodland areas for coppicing and thinning.					
	b) Carry out coppicing and thinning and create habitat piles within the woodland area from any felled, pruned or coppiced wood.					
	c) Tidy up and repair fencing in woodland area.					
	d) Monitor population size of the white-spotted pinion moth.					
	e) Investigate potential for planting elms on the site.					

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<b>4) To maintain and enhance the pond and network of drain habitats.</b>	a) Monitor the population of Great Crested Newts in the moat and new woodland pond.					
	b) Add another line of barbed wire to the existing fence next to the woodland to protect the new pond from dogs.					
<b>5) Maintain and enhance public access of the site for local people.</b>	a) Complete Local Nature Reserve designation.					
	b) Improve ground surface at all access points through improved drainage and appropriate surfacing to provide a free draining, dry surface.					
	c) Install new footbridge over ditch in field near to New Cross Farm.					
	d) Replace gates and ensure field gates are padlocked.					
	e) Install benches on the site.					

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	f) Ensure any fly tipping is reported and removed promptly.					
<b>6) Provide interpretative and educational opportunities on the site for local people.</b>	a) Update interpretation board at main entrance.					
	b) Organise a guided walk/event per year.					
	c) Identify and promote the site's educational value for schools.					
	d) Produce a site leaflet for local promotion of the site.					
<b>6) Involve local people in the management of the site and encourage a sense of 'ownership'.</b>	a) Liaise with Parish Council and Landbeach Society regarding the feasibility of setting up a local conservation group.					
	b) Purchase hand tools for conservation group.					

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	c) Undertake yearly site safety inspection and monitoring of site management operations to ensure objectives are being met and to inform future management plan reviews.					
	d) Encourage local people to carry out regular litter picks.					
	e) Develop a funding bid for the implementation of the management plan.					
	f) Set up a wardening scheme for the site.					