

Volunteering for NEWT



It's great that you are coming to volunteer with us! If you enjoy fresh air, a bit of grift and team comradery, you'll have a fantastic time. You will make a contribution to nature and see the results of your work at the end of the day. NEWT run conservation volunteer days with individuals and local companies with volunteer day schemes. Training is provided and we also talk through why, what you are doing helps so much.

“What to expect when you volunteer with us, to help NEWT help nature”



What happens on the day

We are a friendly bunch so expect a warm welcome. After a quick training briefing, we will start working on a conservation project that will benefit nature. You will typically be doing gardening type work, pruning and clearing. Or you might be creating habitats and nesting sites using basic DIY skills.

09:30 – Meet and greet
10:00 – Briefing
10:30 – Morning work party
13:00 – Lunch and chat
14:00 – Afternoon work party
16:00 – Tidy up time
16:30 – Goodbye

What to bring with you

- Decent footwear, boots, waterproof, rugged
- Appropriate clothing to spend a day outdoors in the weather conditions that day
- Enough water or your drink of choice for the day
- Gardening or other rugged gloves
- Eye protection goggles or safety glasses if you have any

NEWT can provide safety glasses and gloves if you do not have any, but it costs us a lot of money, so it helps if you can bring your own. We do clean them each time, but many people prefer to wear their own anyway.



Liability and photograph consent

We all want to keep you safe! But as a small charity NEWT can not afford the liability insurance for your wellbeing or damage to your property. You will be asked to sign a liability waiver form stating that you take personal responsibility. Under 18's will also need parental consent.

We will provide a health and safety briefing and training on the tools that you will be using that day. It is then your responsibility to say if you are unsure about or not comfortable doing anything.

We do take photographs and videos of our work parties in action. You will be asked to sign a consent form for your picture being used in NEWT's promotional media. Please tell us if you have any concerns.

Lunch & Refreshments

Depending on the site and location we strive to provide a decent hot meal for lunch. Please bring your own water or drink for the day.

Typical lunch menu:

- Meat or vegetable tagine with rice
- Meat or vegetable chilli with rice
- Chocolate brownies

We are very grateful if you are able to make a donation towards the cost of your lunch.