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Questionnaire

Please note if you would prefer to write a report on your project with photos that is also acceptable.

Tell us about yourselves (Charity Name, Donation Amount and Date of Donation)

Durham Wildlife Trust, £2000, May 2024-2025

Tell us about the Funds

- Has the project we helped to fund been completed? If so, how is it maintained? The project has been completed with Wildlife Watch sessions taking place throughout 2024. This is one of our flagship programmes for young people and we will continue to seek funding opportunities to support this work and wider rangering programmes for young people.
- If not completed yet, why not? Are plans in place to finalise the project? N/A
- Did the funds provided by us prove adequate, or was there an over- or under-spend? The funds provided were adequate in the planning, staffing and running of wildlife watch sessions.
- How were any surplus funds used, or was further funding made available? N/A

Tell us about the project

- Has the project been successful and well received by the beneficiaries? The project has been really successful and has been received well by the beneficiaries, please see report update below.

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Are you satisfied with the outcome, or, with hindsight, would some modifications have been appropriate? We are satisfied with the outcome of the project. Wildlife Watch has helped our young participants connect to nature and wildlife with the support of our excellent environmental education team.

- Was funding for this project made available from any other sources? Wildlife Watch was also supported with funding from Tesco Strong Starts.

Feedback about us

- How did you find our own process of selection and payment? We are grateful for Nineveh's selection and payment process, which was straightforward and transparent throughout.
- Have you considered providing us with an update on the activities for which our Trust provided the funding? Yes, please find the update below.
- Would you welcome a visit by our Trustees? Durham Wildlife Trust always welcomes funders, supporters and Trustees to visit us to see the impact that their contribution has made to the organization and its beneficiaries.
- Have you any other comments? Please let me take this opportunity to thank Nineveh Trust for once again supporting our young person activities and educational programmes here at Durham Wildlife Trust, this makes a significant impact on our mission to involve 1-in-4 individuals in our patch in taking meaningful action for nature, and also allows us to develop deeper connections with young people who might otherwise not participate in outdoor and nature-focused education.

This questionnaire is part of our due diligence, obtaining feedback to help us, and we are grateful for your input – please return the questionnaire as soon as possible. Please email all questionnaires and/or reports to sally@ninevehtrust.org.uk

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Update – Wildlife Watch 2024

Dear Sally,

I hope this update finds you and the Nineveh Trust Trustees doing well. Funding from the Nineveh Trust has enabled us to make real strides through our Wildlife Watch programme. This year has been packed with diverse activities, bringing nature to life for the children involved. Below I've outlined the highlights season by season the types of activities the watchers have been working on—though sessions took place monthly.

Winter 2024: Our activities focused on molluscs, crafting bird feeders, and participating in the Great British Bird Watch. The children created feeding stations and learned about the importance of supporting wildlife during the colder months.

Spring 2024: We explored ponds through water surveys, took a closer look at bees—including observing a real hive—and shook trees to uncover hidden invertebrates. These sessions also gave the children an opportunity to identify various trees and their inhabitants.



Summer 2024: The children learned about wildflowers, creating seed bombs and paper planters before heading out for a meadow sweep with nets to find butterflies, moths, and other flying

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insects. They also took part in Himalayan Balsam Bashing and other practical weed management tasks.



Autumn 2024: The season kicked off with a final water survey, revisiting pond ecosystems, followed by fungi foraging and a session focusing on hedgehogs and hibernating animals—including the minibeasts that share their habitats.

Attendance has remained steady throughout the year, with an average of 10 participants per session out of a maximum of 15. Feedback has been consistently positive, with many attendees returning regularly, creating a welcoming and supportive community.

Please let me take this opportunity to once again thank the trustees at the Nineveh Trust for making a real impact on our community and for supporting young people to develop their understanding of the natural environment. I look forward to the possibility of working with the Trust again in the future.

Yours Warmly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H Palin'.

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