

Chairborough

Local Nature Reserve...

Chairborough Local Nature Reserve (LNR) was once an unmanaged and neglected open space, but is now a wildlife haven sitting amidst the hurley burley of Cressex Industrial Estate and bordered to the north and west by housing.

Originally part of a large area of agricultural land, belonging to Hill Farm at Cressex, it was occupied from 1921 as a small holding before being sold to the Council in 1948.

Great Tit



Comma



Common Blue



enjoy...

In 1992 Chairborough was designated as an LNR, the first in High Wycombe and only the second in Buckinghamshire. This was in recognition of its importance for wildlife and its value to the local community.

Wycombe Wildlife Group has worked closely with Wycombe District Council for many years to help identify and conserve sites such as Chairborough for the benefit of its wildlife and the local people. Volunteer Warden Roger Wilding has been involved with the management of this site for over 20 years recording: 197 species of plant, 30 species of birds and 23 butterfly species. So far!

Over the past 20 years, Chairborough LNR has benefited from many thousands of hours of voluntary work by the local community. Of particular note there has been the input from staff and clients from nearby Hillcrest Day Care Centre who have contributed each week towards the maintenance and management of the site through tasks ranging from litter clearance to scrub bashing, path work and more.

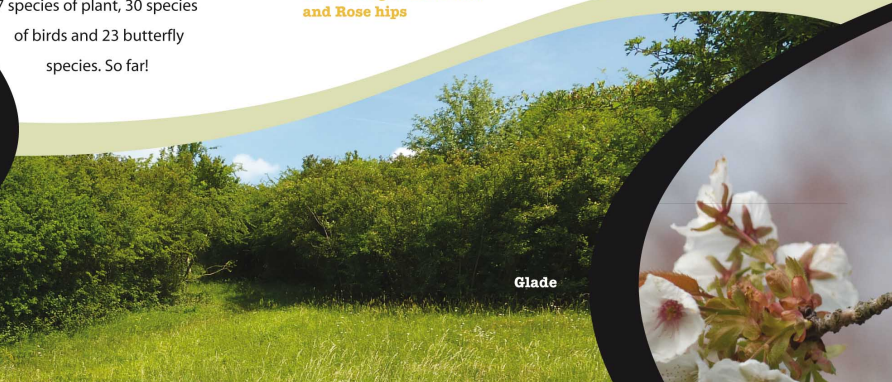
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The Reserve is open all year round with further information displayed on site. A short circular walk following distinctive way-marker posts will introduce you to the site's rich and varied habitats. As you explore the Reserve, animal trails can be seen criss-crossing the permissive footpaths and disappearing into the undergrowth. An early morning visit may reward you with a sudden glimpse of a Muntjac Deer or even a Fox.



Peacock



Glade



Chaffinch