

### A1 The grazing comes to town

<b>Project Summary</b>	The project assessed the potential for grazing at selected sites in the project area worked with landowners and graziers to introduce grazing as an effective management tool for sites of high nature conservation value.	
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	DerwentWISE Scheme Office	
<b>Partners</b>	Derbyshire Wildlife Trust (DWT) Derby City Council Friends of Stoney Wood Duffield Millennium Meadows Trust Amber Valley Borough Council Private landowners	
<b>Location</b>	Various sites across Derbyshire	
<b>Duration of project</b>	April 2014 – March 2017 Yrs:1-4	
<b>Total cost of project</b>	£19,183.00	
<b>Volunteer time In-kind time</b>	- £573	
<b>Outputs</b>	Original target <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>20 ha of wild flower rich grassland restored and/or managed over 5 years</li> </ul>	Achieved <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>22.69 ha of wild flower rich grassland restored and/or managed over 5 years</li> </ul>
<b>Headlines/added value</b>	The project was so successful additional purchase of sheep and cattle. An expansion of the project in year 3 saw an additional 16ha grazed at Allestree Park in Derby City with the council investing in the necessary infrastructure such as gates and fencing.  No. of sites improved - 8 sites improved	
<b>Outcomes</b>	Over 100 sheep and at least 7 cattle now reside at DWT's Woodside farm from the original 3 Highland Cattle, 2 calves, a bull and 10 soay sheep, including 1 ram that were originally purchased. Sites grazed included Darley and Nutwood Nature Reserve, Duffield Millennium Meadow, Matlock Bath Field, Ladys Field in Milford and Allestree Park in Derby City. Community engagement has been enjoyed by looking after the animals. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A1 An <i>integrated approach</i> to natural and cultural heritage and landscape character conservation</li> <li>A2 The delivery of <i>significant, long lasting improvements</i> to the condition (and extent where appropriate) of priority sites and features, and hence to the landscape character</li> <li>A3 Long term improvements to the landscape <i>brought about</i></li> </ul>	

	<p><i>through better understanding, engagement of land managers and communities, and land use policies and activities based on good information</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• B3 Increased <i>engagement and capacity among landowners and communities</i> to care for the landscape in the long term</li> <li>• D3 Increased <i>knowledge</i></li> </ul>
<b>Lessons Learnt</b>	Regulation considerations for the movement of cattle e.g. TB vaccination requirements and vet approvals
<b>Any recommendations going forward</b>	When the livestock are introduced onto public open spaces it is essential there is communication with the local community to raise understanding and discuss any safety concerns.