

A3 High Tor Woodland Restoration

<p>Project Summary</p>	<p>The High Tor woodland restoration project involved the thinning and group felling of sycamore and selected removal of young beech. This will encourage the establishment of a richer understorey and the growth of a more diverse mix of native trees. Such as ash, large-leaved lime and sessile and pedunculate oak as well as understorey shrubs like hazel, buckthorn, privet and hawthorn.</p> <p>It is hoped that the works will diversify woodland structure to benefit lesser spotted woodpecker (creation of deadwood and crown development), spotted flycatcher (glade creation) and other birds of the understorey.</p>	
<p>Lead Organisation</p>	<p>Derbyshire Dales District Council</p>	
<p>Partners</p>	<p>Derbyshire Wildlife Trust</p>	
<p>Location</p>	<p>High Tor Woodland</p>	
<p>Duration of project</p>	<p>April 2014-March 2016 Yrs: 1-2</p>	
<p>Total cost of project</p>	<p>£4538</p>	
<p>Volunteer time In-kind time</p>	<p>- -</p>	
<p>Outputs</p>	<p>Original target</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 ha of woodland thinned and native local provenance trees planted or encouraged to regenerate 	<p>Achieved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 ha of woodland thinned and native local provenance trees planted or encouraged to regenerate (only 2 ha on site so original target inaccurate)
<p>Headlines/added value</p>	<p>The removal of bramble and replanting of broad leaved lime was also done. 1 council staff trained to tree climb using chainsaw dramatically increasing the ability to do this work in house.</p>	
<p>Outcomes</p>	<p>The Rangers at Derbyshire Dales have succeeded in thinning 3ha of sycamore improving a high value woodland in the Lower Derwent Valley. The remainder of the time and funding will be used for further improvements like removing bramble and re-planting large leaved lime in the woodland.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A1 An <i>integrated approach</i> to natural and cultural heritage and landscape character conservation • 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 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A3 Long term improvements to the landscape <i>brought about through better understanding, engagement</i> of land managers and communities, and land use policies and activities <i>based on good information</i>• B2 An <i>increased public understanding</i> of the value of the landscape, and of the need for it to be conserved and restored
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