

A close-up photograph of a cluster of bright yellow flowers, likely a species of buttercup or similar wildflower. A small, fuzzy bee is visible in the center, partially obscured by the petals. The background is a soft-focus green, suggesting foliage.

# Wild Kidlington

A photograph of a lush garden filled with various wildflowers. In the foreground, numerous white daisies with yellow centers are prominent. Interspersed among them are smaller purple and yellow flowers. The background shows a dense thicket of green plants and trees.

# Gardening for Wildlife

# Wild Kidlington

## Ventures

- Enhanced Green Spaces for wildlife
- Nature themed activities for all
- The Great Hedgehog Highway!
- Wildlife friendly gardens

## Our Vision

### A Greener, Healthier and Wilder Kidlington For All

#### Your Project Officer

Rhiannon (Wild Oxfordshire's Nature Recovery Engagement Officer), is working on the ground with Kidlington Parish Council and Kidlington's many different environment groups to deliver the fantastic project ventures. Why not get involved?

#### What is a 'Wild' Project?

Wild Kidlington provides a nature focus, inviting and inspiring everyone in the village to value our wildlife and do the best thing for nature

Proudly hosted by Wild Oxfordshire and funded by Cherwell District Council



#### Sign Up

Use our sign up sheets or email

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Look for our updates

- Kidlington News
- The KEG website

Get Involved

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Cherwell Swifts Conservation Project



Nature Time

Working together to bring the wild back

## Where to start

• What habitats do I currently have in my garden?

• What am I missing?

• what is possible for me to add?

• What do I want to add?

## Water

### Ponds

Help insects for a healthier garden ecosystem

Adding a pond is one of the best things you can do for wildlife!

our garden ponds support 2/3 of freshwater life

Make sure we can get out



Can't add a pond? Put in drinking places

Can't dig down?

Put in a bucket or container pond

## Wildlife Homes

Providing habitat is the best home for wildlife. There are also many 'built' homes to choose from



Habitat & boxes

Add a hibernacula

## Shelter



Where's the Wild for your Wildlife?

wild areas provide safe hiding places

## Hibernation Places

### Log Piles

With surrounding 'wild' areas make the best homes for hedgehogs

## No-mow areas



Provide a pollinator's buffet and shelter

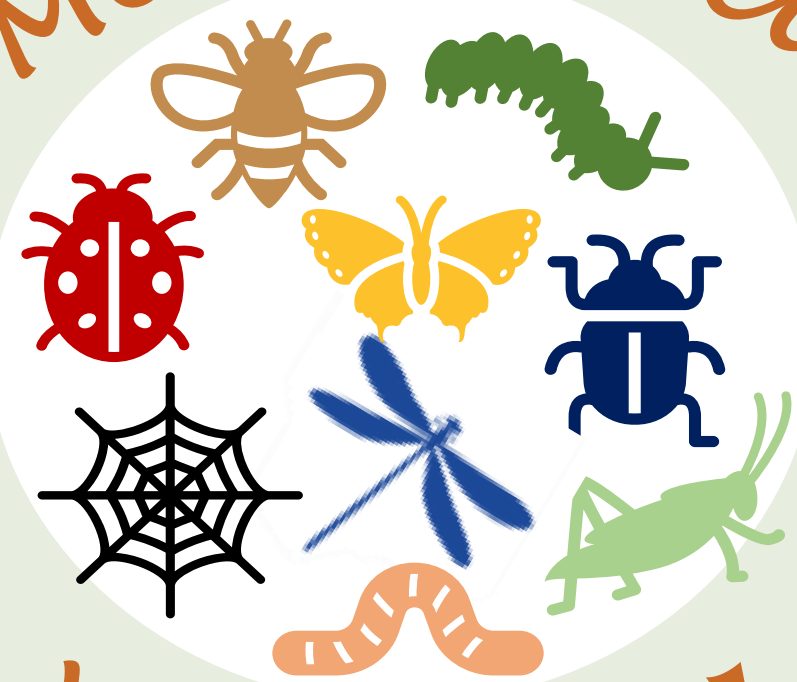
## Berries & Fruit

Plant fruiting shrubs and trees



## Food

More insects



More food

## Flowers



## Seeds

Some bird seed is farmed in a way that harms wild bird populations. Make sure you know where yours has come from.



# Connectivity



13cm square hole

*Hedgehog Highways!*

## Wildlife Corridors



Join up your borders and wild zones

*Connect gardens*

No pesticides, Herbicides or fungicides!



# Sustainable Gardening...

*"You can tell the strength of a garden by the use of compost heaps and water butts"*



*recycle*

Make your own compost or Choose Peat-free



*Water how nature intended*



*use your roof's rainwater*

*Grow your own*



*Plant a tree*

*Electrify*

Choose electric power tools rather than gas



Native species are best!

Shrubs and bushes, not just flowers

Remember evergreens too

Varying heights of growth

Varying flowering & fruiting times

**Planting**

For more detailed guidance and ideas...

We have a carefully curated compendium of trusted resources and advice on our website. Take a look! [www.wildoxfordshire.org.uk](http://www.wildoxfordshire.org.uk)