

GreenSnape – summary of activities May 2022 – May 2023

Another busy and successful year for **GreenSnape**, with lots of activities involving our membership of 105 and a healthy financial position. We've been working as ever to make our village a nicer place for people and wildlife. Our village verges have looked particularly attractive this spring, the result of mass planting of bulbs and a number of flowering and fruiting trees - good for insects and good to look at.

We ran a total of 14 events, including:

- Planting 1100 wild daffodils, 1000 bluebells & 1000 snowdrops on Snape Common and 1000 February Gold daffs by Pryor Close entrance & at bottom of Church Rd hill.
- Putting up the last four great tit bird boxes and 23 bat boxes at Snape Common.
- Continuing our work to bring out the best in Priory Wood, which we manage on behalf of the parish council. With help from tree surgeon Paul Bush, we removed four largish trees and coppiced numerous small ones to let in more light. We turned the cut material into habitat piles for wildlife.
- Planting 200 harebell and toadflax plugs at the bus shelter at the top of Church Road.
- Organising a number of well-supported informative events, including guided walks at the new Suffolk Wildlife Trust reserve at Martlesham Wilds, Sutton Hoo, RSPB Minsmere and RSPB Abbey Farm & Botany Marshes. We also held our annual barbecue, attended by over half our membership, at Miranda Barclay's medieval barn at Abbey Farm.

Finally, if you like what we do and would like to join **GreenSnape**, you'd be very welcome. Just contact Michelle, our membership secretary michelleashley.mayfield@gmail.com.

GreenSnape Committee

Derek Walduck (chair), Michelle Ashley (membership secretary), Brenda McConkey (treasurer), Amanda Carpenter, Dean Musfelt, Dave Norman, Lesley Walduck