

Task #	24 – 06	Date:	04 April 2024	
Task:	Fishpool Brook path between Branston Ave and Pell Close			

We were out today down Fishpool Brook footpath, the section between Branston Ave and Pell Close.

The footpath is very well used but can get heavily shaded due to the amount of ivy growing through the trees on the brook side of the path. The ivy has also brought down lots the trees, so today we removed those dead and fallen trees to prevent them rolling into the brook, and cut back ivy from healthy nearby trees to prevent the same happening again. These cleared areas will now receive more light to hopefully encourage a wide range of grass and low-lying wildflowers to grow, which will also encourage more wildlife.

The dead wood was placed into habitat piles on the opposite side of the path which will gradually decompose providing food as well as habitat for many species of wildlife. We also cut back the bramble from within 1m of the footpath so the grass can be easily cut during the upcoming growing season.

Thanks to Charnwood BC and Serco for supplying 6 brown bins - all filled up with green waste from the Ivy and bramble.



The footpath had been really opened up on the brook side. The extra light will hopefully encourage ground covering grasses and wildflowers



Thanks to our team of 10 volunteers today - Philip, Nick, Bob, Alistair, Pat, Karen, Ian, Andy, Steve, and Trev

Next Task:

Thursday 18 April 10:00

Location: **Top of Buttermere Way**