



Harlow Conservation Volunteers

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TASK PROGRAMME JANUARY 2017 – MAY 2017 (revised)

TASK LEADERS

MONDAY 2 JANUARY – BANK HOLIDAY

Parndon Lock Meadows – planting hedge in front of and trees around look out point Colin

SUNDAY 15 JANUARY

Parndon Lock Meadows – clearing up after hedge work along Cat Lane Colin

SUNDAY 29 JANUARY

Parndon Moat Marsh – cutting sedges Linda

SUNDAY 12 FEBRUARY

Mark Hall Woods – coppicing and clearing bramble etc. to widen ride beside A414 Andrew

SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY

Maymeads Marsh – cutting down reeds in front of hide and perhaps hide painting Colin

SUNDAY 12 MARCH

Mark Hall Woods – further work to open up rides and paths Andrew

SUNDAY 26 MARCH

Brenthall and Barnsley Woods – clearing bramble etc. along paths & thinning sycamore Linda

WEDNESDAY 5 APRIL, 7.30pm

HCV Planning Meeting at the Moorhen (come earlier for a meal if you like)

SUNDAY 9 APRIL

Parndon Wood – Repair story-telling seating & HCV tool maintenance Andrew

SUNDAY 23 APRIL

Stort Valley Meadows (Town Park) – cut grass on paths Colin
Maymeads Marsh – clear reeds from newly excavated pool



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SUNDAY 7 MAY

Provisionally day out - visit to Wandlebury Country Park near Cambridge

Linda

SUNDAY 21 MAY

Peace Wood (Town Park) – installing a rustic bench for Harlow’s 70th and the Town Park’s 60th anniversaries

Andrew

Task Information

Tasks start at 10.00am. Most finish at about 3–3.30pm. Everybody is welcome and your help will be valued for whatever time you can spare. However, if you are between 16 and 18 years old your parent or guardian must sign a consent form — please contact the HCV Secretary. Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult who will be responsible for them at all times. No previous experience is necessary. Instruction will be given in techniques and safe working practice.

What to bring

You'll need strong footwear (work boots, walking boots, or wellies for wet sites), old (warm) clothes, and waterproofs. Please bring a mug and a packed lunch. Sun protection is advisable (even in winter). We provide tools and protective gear, as well as tea and coffee.

Health and Insurance

Insurance cover is arranged for the group on task. An up-to-date anti-Tetanus injection is strongly advised for most outdoor activities. If you think you may not be covered on this or are concerned about any other health issues, you should consult your GP.