

Cremer's Meadow

2023-24



This year has been quite a busy one again.



We had a flood of foul water which came onto the site, into the barn and into the stream.



This took a lot of cleaning up – mainly from Anglia Water!



Water levels have been at an all-time high



The heavy rains this winter have meant doing extra work on the pathways



The sluice is working well and we are monitoring the impact of this over time.



It is our intention to create a pond without flow if the assessments indicate that this will be a good thing. We should be able to create more biodiversity.



Our annual Cut and Clear was successful with help from Bure Valley Conservation



Tony from
BADCOG
always gives us
a hand



Refreshments from the Central England Co-op certainly help!



This year the Cut and Clear will be on 11th September. Everybody welcome.



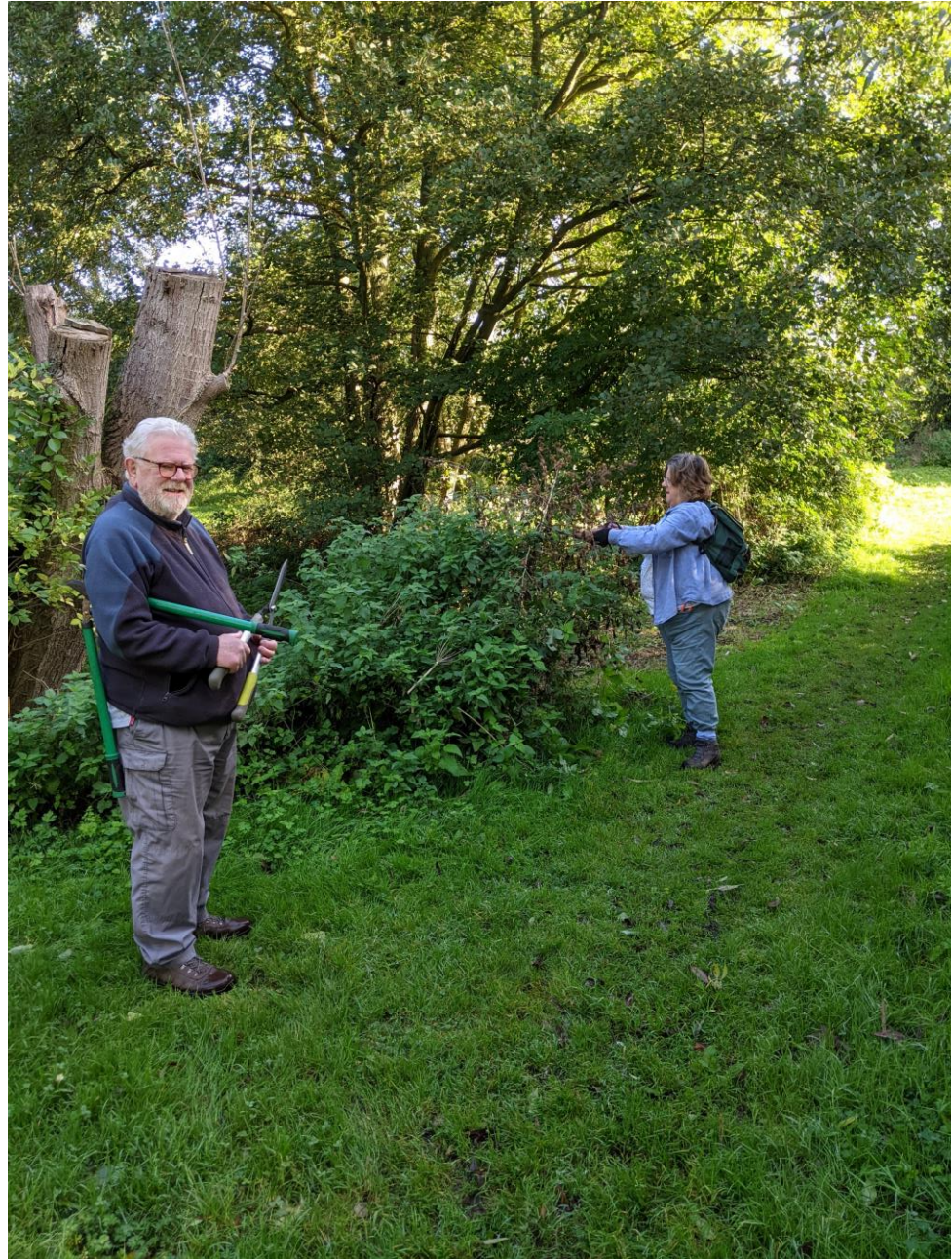
We manage smaller areas with scythes



Which need
maintenance
to ensure they
remain sharp.



Always jobs
to be done.



We planted a few new trees but we leave some open spaces to encourage biodiversity



The hut is
sadly
sinking!



It will be fixed, but the weather has not helped us so far.



We are ready
for action
when it
improves



The hazel grove has been coppiced



This year our friends from the Biodiversity Working Group will be installing more bat boxes and bird boxes



They are also carrying out surveys on the flora and fauna at the site.

If you look carefully you can see our friendly deer.



The Friends carry out bird surveys during the spring.



The tree wardens continue to help us to check that our trees are safe and healthy



The annual orchid count was exciting with around 7000 orchids counted. A bumper year.



The annual Orchid Day was very successful. This year the friends provided home-made cakes and the donations helped us to purchase more equipment.





Pond dipping is always popular long with a treasure hunt and guided tours.



This year the open day will be on Saturday
22nd June. Come along if you can.



We had great support from Aviva this year



They seemed to enjoy themselves.



Lots of bees. Spot the difference between flying and flowers (bee orchid)



The bridge to link Cremer's Meadow and Marty's Marsh may be installed this spring. Ecology reports have delayed progress.

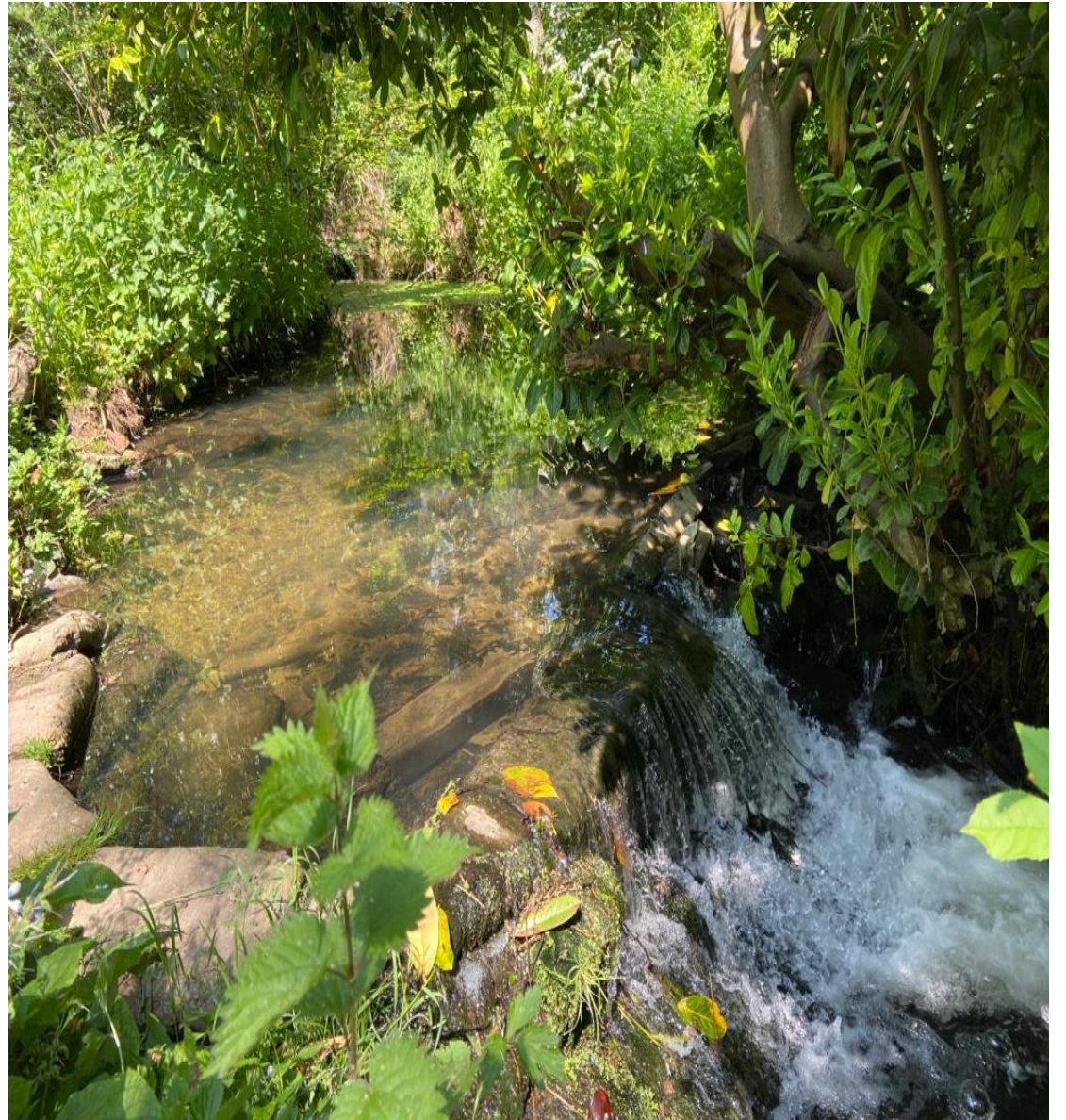


A few pictures to finish.









Spring is Springing



Thanks go as ever to the Friends of Cremer's Meadow for their ongoing fantastic work.

Working parties are most Friday mornings 10.00-12.00 . Do come along if you would like to join us. Contact Gill for more information via the Parish Council office.

