Nextdoor Nature Pioneers Programme





A **free course** to provide you with the understanding, resources and confidence you need to organise local action.

How long does it take?

This course is delivered over 8 weeks with new modules released weekly, but you can work through it at your own pace. Once registered for the course, you'll continue to have access to all the modules and resources after the 8 week period, so you can refer back to them whenever you need to.

How much does it cost? It is free to take part.

We want the Pioneers Programme to be accessible to everyone. So, no matter where you are in the world, you can gain valuable knowledge and skills and become the next pioneer for nature in your community.

What will be covered?

A range of topics, from taking direct action for nature to how to engage with other people in your community. At the heart of the programme, the course will provide you with the foundations to lead action in your local areas. In addition, optional content will allow you to choose what to learn depending on your project ideas.

What's in it for me?

From learning transferable skills and meeting likeminded people, to feeling happier, healthier and a growing sense of pride in your community, there are many benefits to taking part in the programme.

As part of a growing movement, you'll be going above and beyond in doing your bit to help protect wildlife and tackle climate change, and you'll be helping others to do the same - a hugely rewarding experience.



Nature and wellbeing

Nature is great for our health and wellbeing. We take a look at how nature benefits our wellbeing, how we can make the most of our time outdoors and how we can share those benefits with others.

Wildlife ecology 101

An introduction to wildlife, what you might find on your doorstep and how different species interact.

Identifying actions for nature

Giving you an understanding of how to identify actions that will make a positive difference for nature in your area.

Fundraising

A look at where to find funding and some tips for putting together funding applications.

What's covered in the Pioneers Programme?

Land and Landowners

Covering the importance of working with landowners and local authorities, where to find out who owns local land and how to approach them in a meaningful way.

Health and Safety

We'll cover the basics of health and safety and your responsibilities when organising action in your community.

Engaging local communities

We'll look at why engaging with local people is important for wildlife, how to run a community consultation and how to communicate with local communities effectively.

Running events

We cover what you need to consider when planning community events.

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Optional Content

Good communication

Being inclusive

Management and leadership

Wildlife surveying

Policy and planning

To find out more, visit scottishwildlifetrust.org.uk/nextdoor-nature







Nextdoor Nature was a project from The Wildlife Trusts. We worked with communities to bring people together and give everyone the power to help nature flourish – everywhere. Thanks to £5million funding from The National Lottery Heritage Fund, Nextdoor Nature provided communities with start-up advice and support to help nature on their doorstep, leaving a lasting natural legacy to mark The Queen's Platinum Jubilee.