

## Newbattle Abbey College - Newbattle Community Forest

This site enjoys a rich and colourful history stretching back over 900 years. Today, education is to the fore, and the site is recognised as the home of Scotland's premier Adult Education Residential College. Since a successful bid to the Green Infrastructure Community Engagement Fund the Forest College has been leading the way in providing lifelong learning outdoors. A success story with the emphasis on adult education, and making the most of second chances, a unique learning opportunity has been polished and perfected. Now, with the establishment of a Forest College, a new and exciting element thrives.

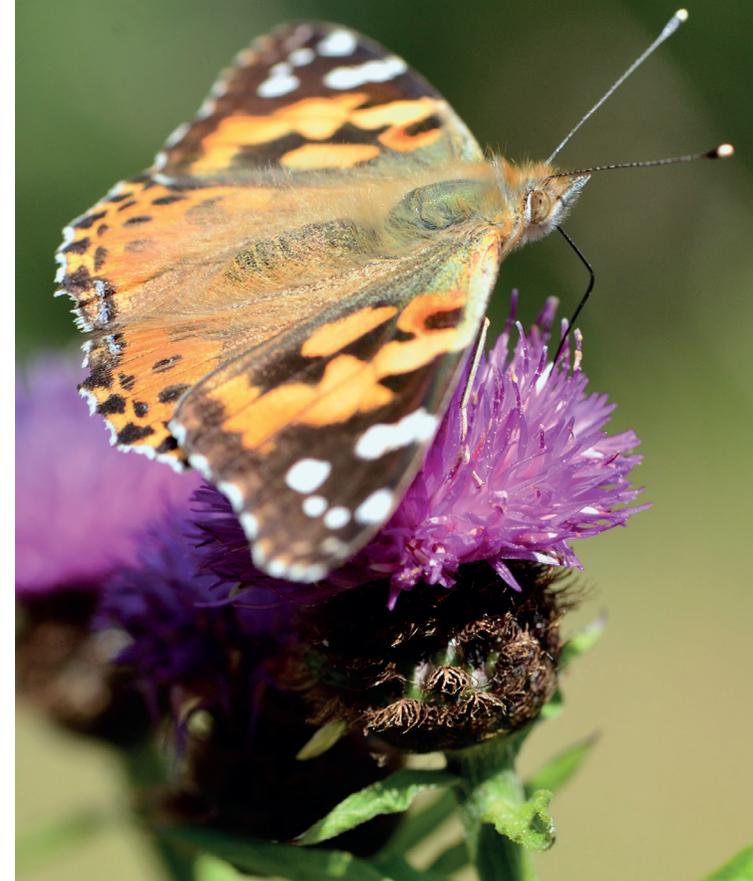


## Cyrenians - Recovery through Green Infrastructure

This project explores the idea of engaging with a wide range of people and improving green infrastructure to support recovery and improve health and wellbeing. The idea stems from extensive consultation and engagement with a range of NHS Lothian patients, staff and visitors at Royal Edinburgh, Astley Ainslie and Midlothian Community Hospitals, as well as with volunteers and visitors to their community gardens and local community organisations. Project participants are excited at extending the number and type of people taking part in new activities and new locations, resulting in improved green infrastructure.



# Green Infrastructure Community Engagement Fund



The Green Infrastructure Strategic Intervention is part of Scotland's 2014-2020 ERDF programme. The Green Infrastructure Fund and Green Infrastructure Community Engagement Fund provide up to 40% of project costs. For more information about the funds and our projects go to <https://www.nature.scot/funding-and-projects/green-infrastructure-strategic-intervention>



## Froglife - Renfrewshire Living Water Project

Froglife is a national nature conservation organisation with a mission to help reptile and amphibian species and their habitats. In Renfrewshire they worked under the Community Engagement banner on three sites – Barshaw Park, Gleniffer Braes and Jenny's Well – to create and restore habitats which will benefit these species whilst engaging local people in a range of activities. The sites deliver for species that have been subject to alarming declines. What's more they provide communities with pleasant surroundings where people can reflect, relax and connect more easily with nature.



## the hidden gardens

### The Hidden Gardens

The enticing name alone conjures up an air of something special. One of Glasgow's Southside gems, The Hidden Gardens offer a welcome refuge from hectic city life and a wonderful opportunity for people to connect with nature. The Hidden Gardens is a friendly spot where the local community can brush up against nature, relax in a thriving garden and learn a little about horticulture. Make no mistake The Hidden Gardens is a marvellous public greenspace. It not only connects people with nature, it connects people with each other.



### TCV - Wild Ways Well

WWW. Three initials which together enjoy near universal understanding. Yet the World Wide Web isn't the only thing laying claim to those initials. WWW might equally well stand for Wild Ways Well, which is a project that looked to help people who are at risk of developing a mental health condition. The Conservation Volunteers joined forces with Cumbernauld Living Landscape in an urban restoration project which looks to reinforce and reconnect the town's green spaces for the benefit of people and wildlife.



### TCV - Community Rewilding

A dazzling urban initiative which invigorates communities, bringing them together by giving people the skills, and opportunities, to rebuild their own neighbourhoods. It's with an incredible mixture of skill and boundless energy that their projects connect communities with greenspaces to deliver lasting outcomes for both people and places. The Conservation Volunteers made tremendous strides in improving quality of life in areas around Greenock, Yoker and Clydebank by encouraging and helping communities to enjoy their own local spaces.

