

# Looking back at the Natural Heritage takeover week

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Staffordshire Wildlife Trust Children making willow sculptures, part of the Celebrating Our Heathland heritage project Staffordshire Wildlife Trust

From 12-16 January we celebrated the natural heritage of the West Midlands, highlighting successful projects and giving lots of advice on how to apply.

From species identification to landscape management HLF supports all kinds of projects relating to our natural heritage. We started 2015 by celebrating these achievements.

## #NaturalHeritage Twitter takeover

From 12-16 January we dedicated our tweeting efforts to tweeting about natural heritage projects, interesting facts from the West Midlands and advice to help you plan your own heritage project.

You can see what we got up to by visiting our handle [@HLFWestMids](https://twitter.com/HLFWestMids) and hashtag [#NaturalHeritage](https://twitter.com/hashtag/NaturalHeritage).

You can continue to join the conversation – share your HLF-funded projects, events and volunteering opportunities with [@HLFWestMids](https://twitter.com/HLFWestMids) using [#NaturalHeritage](https://twitter.com/hashtag/NaturalHeritage).

## HLF Twitter Q&A session

See the results of our live question and answer session with Drew Bennellick, Head of Landscape and Natural Heritage at HLF on our [Storify page](#). This took place on 14 January using the hashtag [#NaturalHeritageQA](#).

## Photo appeal

We had a great response to our call out for photos of natural heritage in the West Midlands. We retweeted our favourites using [#NaturalHeritage](#). We also created a [gallery](#) on Flickr of some of our photos from HLF-funded projects.

## Blog by Dr Tom Tew, Trustee and Committee member for the West Midlands

Dr Tom Tew is a nature conservationist, currently Chief Executive of the Environment Bank, a private sector company that works with planning authorities, landowners and developers to deliver sustainable development that produces a net gain in wildlife. He wrote an [article](#) with his take on natural heritage in the West Midlands.

## Project examples

Read about a selection of great natural heritage projects in the region, from snapshots of past projects to press releases of projects getting underway.

- [The Meres & Mosses of the Marches](#)
- [Celebrating our Heathland Heritage](#)
- [Invertebrate Challenge](#)
- [Teme River Communities \(TRiC\)](#)

## Blog post by Warwickshire Wildlife Trust

Discover how [Warwickshire Wildlife Trust](#) are using technology as a gateway for young people to explore natural heritage. Matt Cox, Youth Engagement Manager at Warwickshire Wildlife Trust shares his experiences in a [guest post](#).

## Online Communities Landscape Partnerships Community

Have you successfully applied for a Landscape Partnership grant or are you interested in the scheme? Ask questions, share information and network with other Landscape Partnership projects and applicants in our [Landscape Partnerships Community](#).

## Feeling inspired?

Read more about our [grant schemes](#) and send us a [project enquiry form](#). This short form allows you to get advice on your project idea and applying for a grant. It is not part of the formal application process.



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[Dr Tom Tew](#)



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[Matt Cox, Youth Engagement Officer at Warwickshire Wildlife Trust](#)

**[Technology as a gateway to our natural heritage](#)**