

# Cambrian Wildwood

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**Grant Award:** £ 566,024

**Location:** Machynlleth

Located in Bwlch Corog in the Cambrian Mountains, this project focuses on a 140ha area aiming to restore ecologically degraded and unproductive land to improve the wildlife and natural processes, which will benefit an overall area of 3,000ha and its surrounding communities.

The project will restore habitats connecting woodlands and heathlands helping to increase ecosystem resilience and improve the variety of wildlife. It will undertake activities such as blocking drainage grips and increasing woodland cover to help reduce and manage surface water flow, improve water quality, and increase carbon storage in soils and trees.

The project will also improve access to provide opportunities to exercise and enjoy nature. There are also plans for public engagement, opportunities for skill development, an educational programme for primary schools, courses for teenagers and activities on site, including volunteering.



**Woodland management & Planting:** 1000 native trees planted, with 2000 more planned

**Peatland Restoration:** several metres of drainage grips blocked & peatland re-wetting

**Habitat restoration:** Planned reintroduction of Native Species such as Water Vole

**Educational Programmes:** Engaged with 9 local primary schools

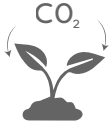
**Sustainable Grazing:** Low density grazing scheme with cattle and ponies

**Volunteer Programmes:** Numerous volunteers involved in habitat restoration activities

**Increased access to outdoor spaces:** Public rights of way cleared and opened up

**Volunteer Programmes:** Building a volunteer hub using green infrastructure construction methods

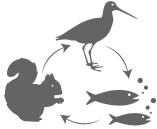
**Community Engagement:** Nature Arts Drop will distribute activity packs to 600 at risk children and young people



**Carbon Sequestration** - supported by the restoration and creation of woodland, restoring peatland and introducing low density grazing methods.



**Climate Change Adaptation** - supported by the restoration and creation of woodland, restoring peatland and introducing low density grazing methods.



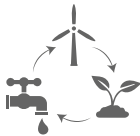
**Increased Biodiversity** - supported by the restoration and creation of woodland, restoring peatland, introducing low density grazing methods and reintroduction of native species.



**Ecosystem Resilience** - supported by the restoration and creation of woodland, restoring peatland, introducing low density grazing methods and reintroduction of native species.



**Reduced Flood Risk** - supported by the restoration and creation of woodland and restoring peatland to slow the flow.



**Soil, Air & Water Quality** - supported by restoration & creation of woodland, peatland restoration and introducing low density grazing methods.



**Health & Wellbeing** - supported by an education programme, volunteer programmes and clearing of public footpaths.



**Community Cohesion** - supported by an education programme, volunteer programmes, clearing of public footpaths and building a green infrastructure community hub.



**Rural Skills & Heritage** - supported by an education programme, volunteer programmes, clearing of public footpaths and building a green infrastructure community hub.



**Development of Skills Capacity & Expertise** - supported by an education programme, volunteer programmes and building a green infrastructure community hub.

**Get Involved** – If you would like to be involved in the conservation efforts at Bwlch Corog, you can find more information on their website or the following social media pages, or attend one of their monthly volunteering days once they have resumed.