

Please do support the Trust as it works to maintain the beauty of the local landscape and its wildlife! Our reserves cost over £2000 a year to run.

Yes I would like to become a member of the Langdyke Countryside Trust. I enclose £25 (or other amount, as you see fit) as my annual donation (membership is on a household basis).

NAME OF MEMBERS (INCLUDING CHILDREN AND THEIR AGES)

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Return this form to Jennifer Britton  
8 Heath Road, Helpston, Peterborough, PE6 7EG.

Your details will be kept solely for use by the Langdyke Countryside Trust and will be updated and used in accordance with any requirements of the Data Protection Act.

For further information visit our web pages <http://www.langdyke.org> or call Richard Astle on 01733 252376



For more information about the Langdyke Countryside Trust and its regular programme of events please visit [www.langdyke.org.uk](http://www.langdyke.org.uk) or call 01733 252376

Check out our blog – [www.langdykeworld.blogspot.com](http://www.langdykeworld.blogspot.com)



# Langdyke Countryside Trust



If you're interested in the local countryside then please support the work of the Trust.



The Langdyke Countryside Trust is a voluntary, membership based organisation that through community action aims to preserve and enhance the natural heritage in the area between Peterborough and Stamford, including, where possible, through the restoration of the lost landscapes described by John Clare.



**The work of the Trust focuses on three main areas of activity:**

1. **Places** – working with landowners, or if appropriate managing land ourselves, to enhance or create habitats to increase the diversity and numbers of local wildlife.
2. **People** – working with schools and other community groups and wildlife charities, we offer opportunities for people to learn about their local natural environment.
3. **Projects from Poems** – we develop specific programmes of conservation activity designed to support increases of certain species that feature in the poetry of John Clare.

The Trust runs a series of events throughout the year for its members, including monthly nature walks and regular indoor talks as well as a programme of work-parties on our reserves.

The Trust owns or manages four nature reserves:

**Swaddywell Pit**, near Helpston – an old quarry and former land fill site that is the subject of two poems by John Clare;

**Torpel Manor Field**, the site of a medieval manor house;

**Bainton Heath** – home to one of the highest concentrations of nightingales in the country;

**Etton Road, Maxey Pits**, which it manages in partnership with Tarmac – a fabulous mosaic of reed, open water and wet woodland.

Both Swaddywell and Torpel are open for visitors at any time, but a permit is required for the reserve at Etton Road, Maxey Pits. There is no public access to Bainton Heath, but the Trust does organised guided walks there for its members.

None of our work would be possible without the financial support of our members. This money allows

us, in particular, to pay the overheads of managing our reserves such as tool costs, insurance and machinery maintenance, as well as the cost of producing the annual report and running and advertising our events programme. The Trust's work is all voluntary and there are no hidden overheads – all your money is spent on conservation tasks.

**Can you spare £25 a year to help with these tasks? (this is a recommended amount – please offer what you can afford to support our work)**

Members of the Trust have the following benefits:

- Free permits for Etton Road – Maxey Pits (on request)
- Free places for all the family at all Langdyke events and walks
- A free copy of the Trust's annual report
- Free email copies of the Trust's quarterly newsletter
- Free access and use of the Trust blog – up-dating you on what's happening on a daily basis in the local natural world

And you'll have the satisfaction of being part of an exciting community project that will benefit our communities for many years to come.

