

Sherborne for nature

The Sherborne Park Estate has a clear future as a sustainable modern farmed lowland estate. An exemplar for land management, biodiversity and access.

Underway:

- 170 ha. plus of arable fields identified to be restored to species-rich grassland
- Restoration of Grade 1 Listed Bridgeman landscape
- Renewable energy investigations
- Significant tree planting - tens of thousands new trees

In development:

- 54 ha. plus of land restored to wood pasture
- Wildlife corridors created for the 13 species of bat
- Bourton to Burford nature and access connectivity corridor
- Holistic grazing focussed on maximum wildlife benefit
- Deadwood habitats preserved
- Partnerships with other organisations improving water and habitat quality on the River Windrush
- Areas restored to pasture, revitalising and rebuilding exhausted soils
- The former deer course restored to wildflower grassland

Sandy Hill Farm

Underway: Scattered tree planting within existing parkland, hedgerows and arable reversion across 43 ha.

Old Park:

Planned: Succession trees, new grazing, sustainable water management

Pasture connected and managed for access

Sherborne Farm

Underway: National Highways feasibility funding received

Planned:

- 170 ha plus new Priority Habitat created
- Wood pasture, trees, shrubs, wildflower rich grasslands

Stones Farm

Considering alongside farmer possible additional hedges/ nature areas

Lodge Park

Underway: 300 avenue trees planted

Planned:

- 2km hedgerow
- 10,000 trees and shrubs planted to original design in 2022/23

Conygree Farm

Underway:

- 9 ha. new native woodland
- 300m hedgerow
- Over 10,000 trees and shrubs planted, linking woodlands along the southern boundary

Home Farm

To be considered alongside farmer:

- Calcareous grassland reinstated, large scale connected hedgerows planted