

Centre Piece

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Environmental Survey at West Wood Pond

Westwood Pond recently welcomed Derek from the Medway Valley Countryside Partnership, representing Natural England, as he conducted a Habitat Suitability Survey to evaluate the ecological conditions of the area.

As part of the survey, Derek performed water testing at 20 strategic locations around the pond in search of Great Crested Newt DNA - a protected species in the UK. During the pond dipping larvae of frogs, newts, and mayflies were seen.



Hildenborough Conservation Society meet with Councillor

The Hildenborough Conservation Society recently welcomed a local councillor for a walk-through of Westwood, showcasing the dedicated environmental work they've been carrying out. Their efforts have helped preserve and enhance this cherished green space, which now boasts

a diverse array of trees and shrubs across its landscape.

From sturdy oaks to flowering hawthorn, Westwood offers an ever-changing natural canvas—one that invites visitors to connect with nature. Whether you're taking a quiet stroll or exploring with family, keep an eye out for the different plant life thriving throughout the site.

- Aspen - *Populus tremula*
- Blackthorn - *Prunus spinosa*
- Cherry (Wild) - *Prunus avium*
- Dogwood - *Cornus sanguinea*
- Field Maple - *Acer campestre*
- Guelder-rose - *Viburnum opulus*
- Hawthorn - *Crataegus monogyna*
- Hazel - *Corylus avellana*
- Holly - *Ilex aquifolium*
- Silver Birch - *Betula pendula*
- Spindle - *Euonymus europaeus*

West Wood Park and Recreation Ground Shine After July Cleaning.

In early July, jet washing was successfully carried out across West Wood Park and the Recreation Ground—bringing a fresh look to two of the community's most used

spaces. The transformation has been met with enthusiasm from local residents, who've already noticed the positive impact on the appearance and feel of the facilities.

Whether it's a family picnic, a walk, or just passing through, we hope the spaces are more inviting.



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