

Ewelme Watercress Beds

Local Nature Reserve

Workday report Sat 1 September 2018

14 volunteer – mostly de-weeding beds adjacent to centre but also clearing cut material from meadow.

Next workday – Wed 19 September 2018

1. **The Street beds** – Check for material on concrete bund and transport to compost area
2. **Meadow** – clear cut material and transport to compost areas
3. **Meadow** – further cutting required.
4. **New shed path** – continue with realignment/leveling
5. **All Beds** – pull all non watercress, remove mud and distribute on adjacent banks below ford or compost areas above ford
6. **Compost heap opposite centre** – sieve and bag more soil and stack at front of centre
7. **Weirs** –weirs below road bridge need replacing - completion needed
8. **Meadow & bund** – check earth bund and bank and transport cut material to compost sites
9. **Lower site** – remove vegetation from brick wall below mill and check for repairs required
10. **High Street beds** – re-instate side channels esp. those alongside gardens
11. **Material alongside back channel** – check for material left on the meadow side of channel which should be transported to compost area
12. **Ride on mower** – start up an run to charge battery and drive along meadow paths to flatten lumps
13. **Meadow and banks** - Weed around all new saplings above Centre
14. **Pond below road bridge** – clear, by pulling/digging bulrush plants and forming channel through and remove area of growth from old dug-out area

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