# HOLLINGBOURNE MEADOWS THE STATE OF THE STATE



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### HOLLINGBOURNE MEADOWS TRUST

The charity was set up in 2004 to protect a parcel of land in Hollingbourne from development... with thanks to donations & grants The Hollingbourne Meadows Trust has continued to grow & preserve the wildlife & landscape of Hollingbourne.

Our challenge now is to secure funding to continue to provide & protect this precious space for future generations to enjoy.

Here's a snippet of what we are doing & how you can help...



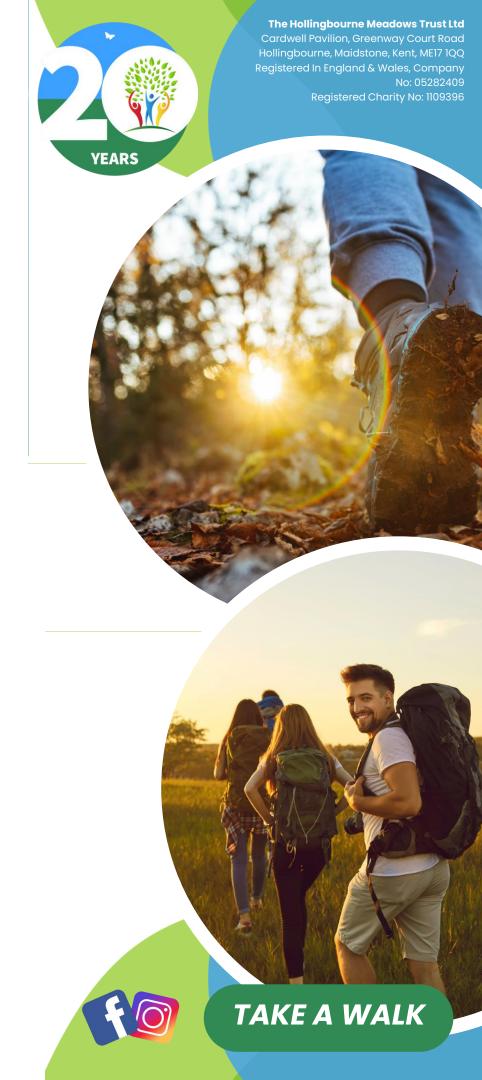
#### Communication is key

Working with a team of volunteers we've created a new flyer to tell our story to the new generation of Hollingbourners. Their engagement & support is vital to our future success. Please share this with friends & neighbours.

Our social media & website is also being reinvigorated to help make sure that we remain relevant & up to date... please watch this space!







#### Putting the Fun in Fundraising!

Throughout the year our fabulous team of volunteers work hard to help raise funds. Here are a few events that we're planning... we hope to see you there!

Saturday 14th June 2025 - Hollingbourne Fete Tombola

Afternoon Tea in aid of the Meadows at The Windmill

Saturday 4th October 2025- Meadows Quiz Night at The Sugar Loaves



#### What would you like?

The Meadows is here for us all to enjoy & as a community it is our responsibility to make sure it's here for generations to come... so what can you do to get involved & help?

The Windmill make a donation for every Fish & Chip supper

Become a friend of the Meadows? Host a fundraising event? Run a supper club? Join the village lottery? Meet & Greet? Maybe you have a skill set that could support the board of trustees? Consider leaving a gift in your will.

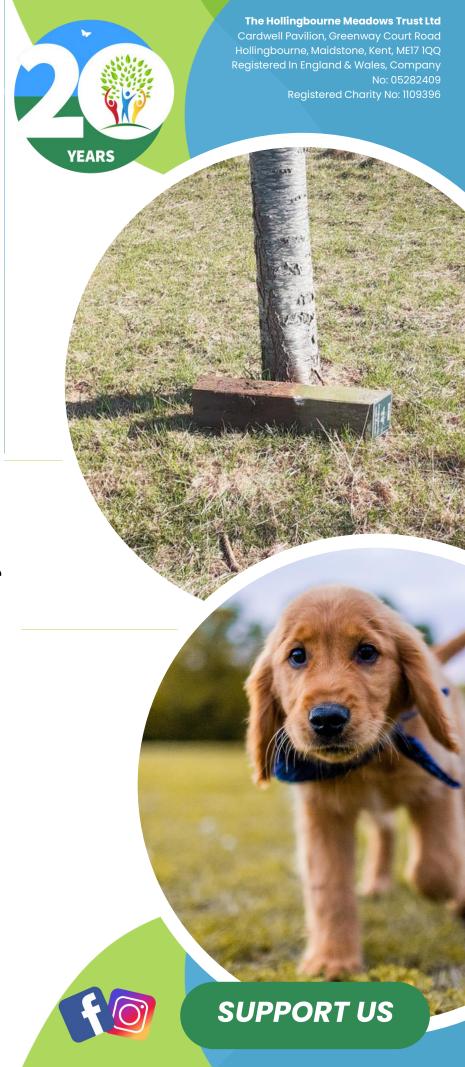


#### Our four-legged friends

A wonderful place to walk & exercise with the whole family... get back to nature, meet up with neighbours & enjoy the fresh air.

The Meadows also is a much-loved paradise of sniffs for our furry friends. You may have noticed the spring transformation starting to take place & along with it the memorial trees are having new plaques, we listened to your concerns & want to make our Meadows safe for all to enjoy.

There's a number of dog poo bins in the Meadows, all we ask is for you to be responsible dog owners & if the bins are full then please take it home with you. After all the poo fairy is a fictional character!





# giftaid it We need your help to keep going

We are self-funded & need to raise thousands each year to cover our overheads, insurances & maintenance. If you are not already a Friend of Hollingbourne Meadows Trust please consider joining us & making a regular monthly contribution of whatever you can afford.

Currently just 7% of households in the village have signed up with regular monthly donations. To address future funding worries we need an equivalent of 100 additional households to sign up to £10 per month (that's 30p for a daily dog walk!) for the Meadows to continue in its current form.



## HOLLINGBOURNE MEADOWS TRUST

Thank you to our fabulous volunteers & donors who have helped make The Hollingbourne Meadows Trust a reality over the last 20 years. With your continued help & support we will do our best to protect & preserve our precious Meadows for generations to come.

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