

“It is great to have The Conservation Volunteers supporting us at Mountsorrel Quarry. We love to see their passion and commitment helping us manage our precious restored habitats.”

Aaron Laycock, Quarry Manager at Mountsorrel Quarry

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Environmental Stewardship

Partnership with The Conservation Volunteers

At Tarmac, our commitment to environmental education has reached a new milestone with the establishment of a five-year partnership with The Conservation Volunteers (TCV). This collaboration gives local people the opportunity to connect with nature and learn about the environment by getting hands-on experience working on some of our conservation projects.

TCV's own strategy focuses on connecting people with green spaces by delivering impactful projects, empowering communities, and engaging diverse communities to create lasting benefits for both people and nature. By supporting these efforts, Tarmac is proud to play an active role in fostering community-led conservation initiatives.

Our partnership with TCV began in 2024, creating new opportunities for volunteers to get involved in managing and enhancing the restored habitats at Mountsorrel Quarry. In 2024, we organised 10 days of hands-on working parties.

Clive Forty, Senior Project Officer at TCV shared his thoughts on the collaboration: “We are really pleased to form a working partnership with Tarmac at Mountsorrel Quarry helping maintain and establish the biodiversity around the quarry. Our practical conservation volunteers are working to help control scrub encroachment on Broad Hill. We aim to repurpose all material cuttings into dead hedge habitat corridors, further increasing habitat diversity.”

By focusing on practical conservation tasks, the partnership addresses immediate ecological needs but also ensures that the restored areas of the quarry remain vibrant and



beneficial for all species that depend on them. The end of March saw the completion of the second year of TCV's restoration efforts at the quarry.

This partnership is one of 40 conservation collaborations Tarmac has nationwide with a wide range of conservation organisations. Through our work together, we are not only enhancing biodiversity at Mountsorrel Quarry, we are also helping volunteers connect with nature, build confidence, become actively involved in the restoration process, and learn valuable environmental skills.

At Mountsorrel Quarry, we will continue to work with our community partners to improve biodiversity, restore land, support people, and build a legacy of conservation to benefit the local community and environment for years to come.