



Garnock's Buzzing

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Garnock Connections' pollinator project



Habitat Work



Raising Awareness



Training



Garnock's Buzzing Habitat Work

- 14.9ha meadows created towards a 16.75ha target
- 14 bee hotels, exceeding target of 11
- 9,000m² area of bare earth, exceeding 1,000m² target
- 3 roadside verges under experimental cutting regimes





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Awareness Raising & Training

- 23 school children reached (Glengarnock)
- 60 people reached at community volunteer events
- 20 community volunteers trained in pollinator ID
- Apple pollination survey on social media
- ID workshops summer 2019; zoom during lockdown





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What's Next?

- More meadows created & existing ones managed
- More bee hotels
- 0.5ha small blue habitat
- Continuation of the roadside verge study
- 100 nectar-rich trees to be planted
- Monitoring of the network

All with community involvement and volunteer input



