

Programme Delivery Highlights April-July 2018: Issue 1

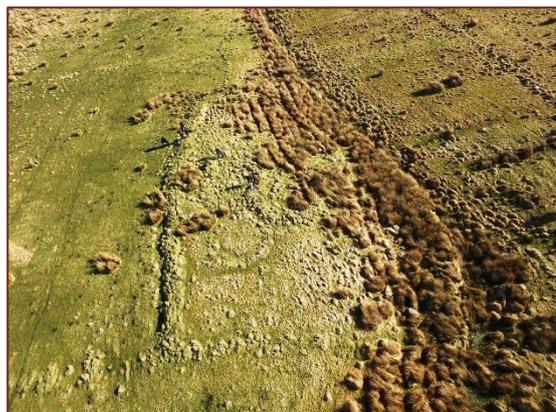
Reflowering Redesdale started at Corsenside



Corsenside residents and Jennifer Care, Farming & Wildlife Officer, were busy in June and July preparing the ground for wildflower planting and seeding in the churchyard, as part of the **Reflowering Redesdale** project. Jennifer has also been developing ideas for farm projects and road verges. Details from Jennifer.Care@northwt.org.uk

Discovering more about Redesdale's hidden past

If you're interested in the rich diversity of Redesdale's unrecorded history and archaeology, Karen Collins, our Heritage & Engagement Officer, is promoting some exciting opportunities to get involved. From Neolithic remains to Romans, the medieval Battle of Otterburn and the Border Reivers - discover more through Lidar remote sensing data, field archaeology and historic research volunteering opportunities. For details see <https://revitalisingredesdale.org.uk/new-heritage-volunteering-roles/>



Planning River Rede Actions



Our Groundwork consortium colleagues have been talking to farmers and preparing surveys, designs and permits for Year 1 wetland habitat and sediment management projects. The design for Smoutel ford river improvements for river wildlife, whilst also facilitating the right of way across the river, is underway with delivery planned for next year. Further details maria.hardy@naturalengland.org.uk

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Conflict in the Landscape - Did the Battle really happen right here?



At the **Battle of Otterburn** Project Launch on the 24th June, Geoffrey Carter of the Battlefields Trust explained about the Battle and the mysteries about the location, why they fought at night-time and what happened to the armies' leaders. 40 people enjoyed a lovely sunny walk out across this now peaceful landscape. If you would like to help investigate where the Battle took place and other Redesdale mysteries, Karen would like to hear from you. Contact karen.collins@nnpa.org.uk

Restoring Redesdale's heritage features

We had our pre-start meeting for the Ridsdale Ironworks project in July and repair works to this Scheduled Monument are due to start in August 2018. The pre-start meeting for conservation work at Bremenium Roman Fort, High Rochester has also been held and repair works to the fort are due to start this September.



Blakehope Nick Overlook

Newcastle University Architecture students presented their innovative outdoor viewpoint resting structure design for Blakehope Nick to local people at Byrness Village Hall on 1st May. Background details are posted on the project blog - <https://livebuildncl2018.blogspot.co.uk/> and they are currently in the process of applying for planning permission for the project.

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