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BCA Stronger Roots; Regeneration and Healing in Buxton's Community Woods.

In the Covid-19 lockdown, Buxton people turned to BCA's nine community woodlands, our Country Park and SSSI. Their appreciation of and need for our sites highlighted the urgency of our work in nature care and nature conservation. This project will accelerate that, enabling us to reach more people faster, whilst responding to the ash dieback crisis. With our partners and the community, we will create flourishing woodlands with enhanced biodiversity and build ecological, social and economic resilience.

Nature conservation/restoration

- Repair ecological damage, especially that caused by ash dieback
- Create regeneration clearings
- Collect local tree seeds and cuttings; documentation; community involvement
- Tree nursery; growing seeds to forest transplant size
- Fell/pollard trees; maintain public safety; create deadwood habitat
- Repair drystone walls

Nature-based solutions

Woodland restoration

Connecting people with nature

- Nature Connectedness innovation and research project
- Nature-based well-being activity programme
- Programme of nature care events for groups with additional needs
- New community theatre experience, celebrating woodland regeneration
- Expanded Forest Schools programme
- Nature-based play facilities
- · Art projects with local artists collective
- Targeted engagement with disadvantaged groups
- Multi-media outreach/information campaign for wider community

END 17/12/2020



