

Capturing our wildlife on camera

Provide the funding for us to buy a range of the latest technology wildlife cameras

We would like to buy wildlife trail cameras, thermal cameras and underwater cameras. This will significantly increase our knowledge of the wildlife present on the site, provide an opportunity to involve a number of volunteers in placing and checking cameras and assessing images and film.

We are particularly keen to use thermal imaging cameras. These have revolutionised the way we can experience wildlife, as a non-intrusive option in low light and total darkness when some animals are very active. This technology would not only give us an enhanced way of finding and identifying species but also be used for income-generating nighttime tours at Heal Somerset.

Underwater cameras are another way to investigate the aquatic ecosystems at the site and we would like to experiment with their use.

Impact

Increased knowledge of animals that are present at the site across the different ecosystems allowing more material for engagement and communications.

Legacy

Knowledge gleaned from cameras will inform and improve future rewilding projects at the site and across others nationally.