



Old Chalk New Downs—Hedgerow Survey

In Kent the vast majority of hedgerows are thought to be historic. Hedgerows are of great importance across the UK. However, in most places we have remarkably little information on how many we have, or about their composition or structure, let alone their condition. As a result, it is often difficult to make informed decisions about what needs to be done to conserve these 'green veins' for the future. In the development of the Old Chalk New Downs Project research was carried out comparing old and modern maps to try and identify where we think the oldest hedgerows are within the project area. We now need your help over the next four years to go out and survey these hedges, to identify the species and see if they really are historic and valuable.

We will be running a hedgerow survey training day on 14th May in 2018. If you're are interested in helping us to survey the hedges around your village, please email us for more details.



Contact The Connectivity Officer, Matt Pitts for further information to book your place on the course. Email matthew.pitts@kent.gov.uk



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