## A LOCAL EFFORT AT RE-WILDING: NATURE RESERVE Wigans Lane

### **WE NEED YOUR HELP!!**

A group of local residents would like to purchase the former HRC and the land surrounding it to turn it into a nature reserve.

- Located within The Chilterns AONB and within an SSI impact Zone
  - 8 acres of land in total
- A woodland site easily linked to wider countryside through creation of circular walk to encompass Yeosden Nature reserve, Lodge Hill SSI, and local amenities in nearby villages
  - Hardstanding provides car-parking away from highway for safety.
     Both locals and visitors have second thoughts about loading and unloading kids, pets & cycles on the existing lay-bys with cars going by at 50/60mph

#### This Initiative:

- 1) Supports BCC's and the Government's environmental and pollutions targets.
  - 2) It enhances the AONB and the greenbelt.



#### This initiative is 100% in line with both:

- The new Local Nature Recovery Strategy (August 2020)
- The new national "Leader's pledge for Nature" signed by the UK (Oct 2020) - which includes a 10-point pledge, to counteract and repair to ecosystems.

As part of it, the government will pledge more money will be spent on the environment and ensuring nature is a priority. The commitment will boost the amount of protected land, which includes national parks and areas of outstanding Natural beauty, from 26% to 30% by 2030.

# Restoring Enhancing Repairing NATURE

We should not miss a clear opportunity for **restoring and enhancing nature**. In this case **repairing the damage** that previous unknowing generations inflicted on this site.

A show case of the process of regeneration of land we contaminated.

Indeed, it would be a fitting tribute to David Attenborough and all those who are showing us the way.

Let us make a lot of noise.

A present to current and future generations.

#### **OUR PROPOSAL**

It allows something that enhances the beauty of the AONB & Greenbelt rather than a development that is going to spoil it for current and future generations. Once this land is lost to inappropriate development, it is lost forever.

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