



# Corporate Volunteering and Wellbeing Days in Nature

*Meaningful conservation experiences for teams*



# WHAT EPIKS OFFERS YOUR TEAM

Environmental Projects in Kirklees (EPIKS) is able to offer your company the opportunity to spend time learning about and caring for Huddersfield Riverside Nature Park.

Supported by our experienced Environmental Rangers, you are invited to join us undertaking team-building conservation tasks in Kirklees' wild urban spaces.

*It's been great to get out in the environment and do some work in the community, especially at the minute for BAM as we have such a big project on in Huddersfield town centre. It's lovely for me personally as a local Huddersfield lad to give something back. I appreciate the chance to spend some time in nature, getting a bit of fresh air away from my desk.*

*It's a treat to spend some time working in a different way with people from our supply chain too. Usually when we meet it's very formal. This is a great way to get to know the people we work with on a personal level.*

**Tom Wimpenny, BAM's senior site manager  
for the Our Cultural Heart project**

Whether you're looking for a half-day experience or a full team day, we'll work with you to create something that suits your group.

Simple, hands-on, and genuinely impactful.

*Step away from the workplace  
and into Kirklees' green spaces.*



# BENEFITS TO YOUR TEAM

Spending time outdoors and working together towards a shared goal can support staff motivation, engagement and retention, while offering benefits that go far beyond a typical team day.



# WHAT THE DAY LOOKS LIKE

We'll work with you to plan a half day or full day experience that suits your team, your goals, and your needs. There is no previous experience needed, just a willingness to get involved.



## Consultation

We want to ensure that the site we choose for your team is suitable for your needs. When you confirm a booking, we will offer a range of locations, from Kings Bridge to Colne Bridge, and up into Kilner Bank woodlands. Some of our sites have better access than others and we will take this into consideration.



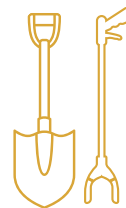
## Group Size

We can accommodate groups of 5-20 people, dependent on the activity. For larger groups, or where you'd like to run simultaneous sessions, we can arrange an additional Environmental Ranger to support your team, available at additional cost.



## Team Break

Midway through your session, we will provide you with a hot or cold drink and a range of snacks. Take this time to talk to the team and colleagues.



## Tasks

Employee experiences start with a team briefing, where you will be provided with tools and equipment. Your ranger will give you a safety briefing and then instruct you how to undertake tasks. EPIKS will ensure that a range of projects are offered to meet all abilities. Tasks available include;

- Vegetation management
- Tree planting
- Footpath maintenance and construction
- Litter picking
- Installing signs and benches
- Citizen Science (reporting and recording native and non-native species)





## Full Days Experiences and Additional Extras

*Make the day even more special*

*We've been admirers of the fantastic work that EPIKS do around Kirklees for a few years now. It was a really lovely experience supporting their project work at Kilner Bank, helping to clean up the surrounding area next to Accu Stadium.*

**Matt Ogden, Communications &  
Partnerships Manager at Accu**

### **Lunch (full day only)**

If you have chosen to spend the day with EPIKS, you will continue working until lunch. This can be food you have brought with you, or you may wish to go to a local café or pub.

### **Guided Walks**

To end your time with EPIKS, we offer the opportunity to be taken on a short, guided walk by our ranger. These walks enable you to learn about the communities and habitats that you have helped support.

### **Optional Wellbeing Extras**

EPIKS can also offer bespoke wellness activities such as:

- Forest bathing
- Hammock time in the woodland
- Campfire activities (e.g. s'mores)
- Simple woodcrafts

These can be tailored to create a more relaxed or reflective experience if desired.



## AFTER YOUR DAY

We don't just end the experience when the session finishes, we provide ongoing support to help you showcase your team's contribution. Following your session, you'll receive a selection of photos and videos captured on the day, along with prompt and responsive guidance for any internal or external communications you may wish to share.

We will also highlight your contribution through our own channels, including LinkedIn, Facebook and Instagram, as well as in our newsletter. This helps you demonstrate the positive difference your team has made and gives visibility to the work your organisation supports.

Where possible, we'll provide updates on the ongoing impact of your contribution, helping you see the longer-term results of your team's efforts.

By sharing this information, your team can celebrate their achievements, your organisation can demonstrate its commitment to CSR and social value, and everyone involved can see the real, tangible impact of their work. **It's all part of making the experience not just a day, but a lasting contribution to the environment and the community.**



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## **How much does it cost?**

Contact us for a tailored quote.

## **What facilities are available?**

- All tools and personal protective equipment (PPE) is provided.
- Drinking water is provided, but we advise bringing your own water bottle to keep with you.
- Hand washing facilities are available throughout the session.
- You will be told where the nearest toilets are, these may be in a local community centre or bar / café.

## **What should we wear?**

Clothing and footwear suitable for working outside and walking on rough ground. We recommend a strong pair of walking boots or work boots.

## **What happens if adverse weather is forecast?**

We will give a minimum of 48 hours' notice if we need to cancel your experience. We will then rearrange a future date.

## Quotes from our regular volunteers:

*I leave oozing with positive thoughts, the main thought being that I have done something that day that has directly impacted the world in a positive way.*

*Every time I attend, I leave feeling lighter and with a real sense of achievement and community.*

*It's given me fresh appreciation of the nature on my doorstep, and skills to use in my own garden.*



# LET'S PLAN YOUR DAY

Whether you're looking to bring your team together, support your wellbeing goals, or make a positive impact locally, we'd love to help you create a day that works for you.

Get in touch to start planning your corporate environmental stewardship experience with EPIKS.

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