



Friends of Ripley Greenway are committed to working with organisations, local councils and residents to maintain and improve Ripley Greenway

RIPLEY GREENWAY

Former Pit Top

Ripley Greenway is approximately 2 miles long. Margins along the sides of the path are not mown to make them hospitable for wildlife and allow many different natural plants to thrive. This is important as insects are vital for the pollination of plants and to provide food for birds. Many species are in decline, the Greenway supports a wide variety of Birds and other species including Butterflies, Moths and Bees.



The Comma butterfly needs nettles and elm



This sculpture, originally in two mirrored sections, was commissioned by a multi-agency partnership through a Timelines Project. It was created by artists Liz Lemon and Gwen Heaney and made in Ripley by Evans Concrete Products Ltd.



The Speckled Wood butterfly needs grasses, such as couch grass



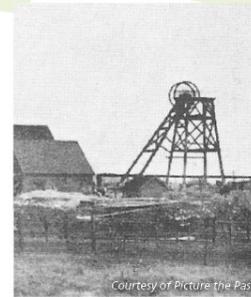
Snowdrops



Magpie



Courtesy of Picture the Past



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Ripley Pit, one of many in the area, was opened in 1863 on this site. Ripley Colliery was originally sunk by The Butterley Company in 1854. The headstocks were dismantled and mining ceased in 1949 when Ripley merged with Denby Hall Colliery. This open area is known as 'Pit top'.



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The Small Copper butterfly needs Dock and Sorrel



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Red Fox



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Robin

GREENWAY CODE

- Please be considerate to other Greenway users
- Do not drop litter, please use the bins provided
- Please admire the flowers and do not pick them
- Cyclists, please keep your speed down and give way to other users
- Horse riders, please keep to a walking pace
- Dog walkers, please keep your dog under control, clean up after your dog and use the bins provided