

# Vote for Nature Bunting!



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Ahead of the next General Election join us in getting crafty for nature.

Let's share our love for nature with all candidates by doing a bit of craftivism.

Craftivism is a way of voicing opinions and calling for change through craft activities

Make some bunting that shows future MP's how much we care for wildlife and let them know we will vote for nature.

Send it to us - so we can create a huge bunting chain to show how many of us care about protecting nature in Staffordshire.

**Monday 6th May** - Begin making your Vote for Nature bunting

**By 13th June** - Deliver your bunting to us

**15th/16th June** - Big Wild Weekend bunting display at The Wolseley Centre

## Post or drop off:

Vote for Nature Bunting  
**Staffordshire Wildlife Trust**  
**The Wolseley Centre,**  
Wolseley Bridge,  
Stafford,  
ST17 0WT

Deliver before 9am on Thursday 13th June  
Can also drop off at any of our three  
Staffordshire Wildlife Trust charity shops

## Share on socials:

Take a pic of your bunting,  
tag @StaffsWildlife and use #'s:

**#VoteFor Nature**  
**#GE2024**



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## Make some bunting...

**For this activity you will need:** unwanted clothes or fabric, scissors, string. You could use sewing thread or wool, pens, paint, glue, a stapler with staples, or other materials.

### 1. Find your old fabric.

Re-using fabric is much better for the environment. Don't buy new, ask a friend, look in a charity shop, or find a craft space.

### 2. Cut out triangles (with a flap on top)

An isosceles triangle works best, with 2 equal sides longer than the top one. See our template below.

You could make a card template to help you cut lots the same size. Don't forget a flap.

### 3. Paint, stick, sew, write, draw!

Decorate your flag with a celebration of wildlife and wild places in Staffordshire.

Try to make it somewhat weather resistant.

### 4. Get creative!

Make one or as many triangles as you like.

What wildlife do you want to protect?  
What do you want your future MP to know you care about? Which wild place do you want everyone to be able to enjoy? Are you voting for nature? It's your design so have some fun!



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## Make a chain...

1. **Sew or attach the triangles** onto a long piece of material or ribbon.
2. **Place the triangles in a line**, face down. Cut a long piece of string and place it down across the top of the triangles.
3. **Fold the top of each triangle over the string**, so that it is covered.
4. **Staple the folds down with the string inside** - a quick way of attaching your triangles to your string without sewing the flap down. If you want to sew the flap, that's great!
5. **Your bunting is now ready to hang.** Before you send it to us, why not join together with others in your community to create a long chain outside a constituency office.

**Please don't leave bunting to become litter that could endanger wildlife. We encourage you to get permission to hang it. And always respect nature in your actions.**



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## Send SWT your bunting!

**We'd love you to send in your bunting to join our chain.** Together we can show how much that Staffordshire cares for nature.

**Submit your bunting to our chain to be part of the Big Wild Weekend\***

To remind all candidates that we're counting on them to celebrate and protect water, land, wildlife, and people.

**Completed bunting should be dropped off at our office by 9am on Thursday 13th June.**

\*Please note that we will be unable to display any bunting which is party political. This activity is intended as a celebration of nature and a request to all candidates to cherish and protect wildlife and wild spaces.



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# Bunting Template



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*Don't forget the flap*

GO WILD  
HERE



**Cut out a triangle  
with a flap.**

**14cm across - 18cm sides**

*(suggestion only,  
feel free to freestyle)*



**Create a card template  
if you're making lots  
of triangles in a group.  
Then go wild!**

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