



# ASHDOWN FOREST VOLUNTEERING



## VOTING IS NOW OPEN!

You can cast up to **ten votes** to **support our project** by registering at:



<https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/17-4035>



The registration process is quick and simple:

1. You just need an email address and password;
2. Aviva will then immediately send you a confirmation email;
3. Once you have logged-on, search for **“Ashdown Forest”**.

**Ashdown Forest** is a unique and very special place for residents, local communities and visitors - 6,500 acres of protected heathland and woodland, paths, rides and trails, hidden gardens, waterfalls, streams and magnificent views to the North and South Downs. In a Visitor Survey undertaken by Wealden District Council (2016) it was estimated that there were 4541 visits per day to **Ashdown Forest with just a small staff team, supported by specific teams of volunteers**, that work to 'regulate and manage the forest as an amenity and place of resort and to conserve it as a quiet and natural area of outstanding beauty.

We need to extend the **Conservation Volunteer team** providing them with all the support they need. Funding would be used to provide two additional days a month volunteer coordination and support, including recruitment and training, and for the purchase of tools and equipment.

**GET YOUR VOTE IN NOW! VOTING CLOSSES ON 21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2017**