



Countryside Access:

Effective Volunteer Management

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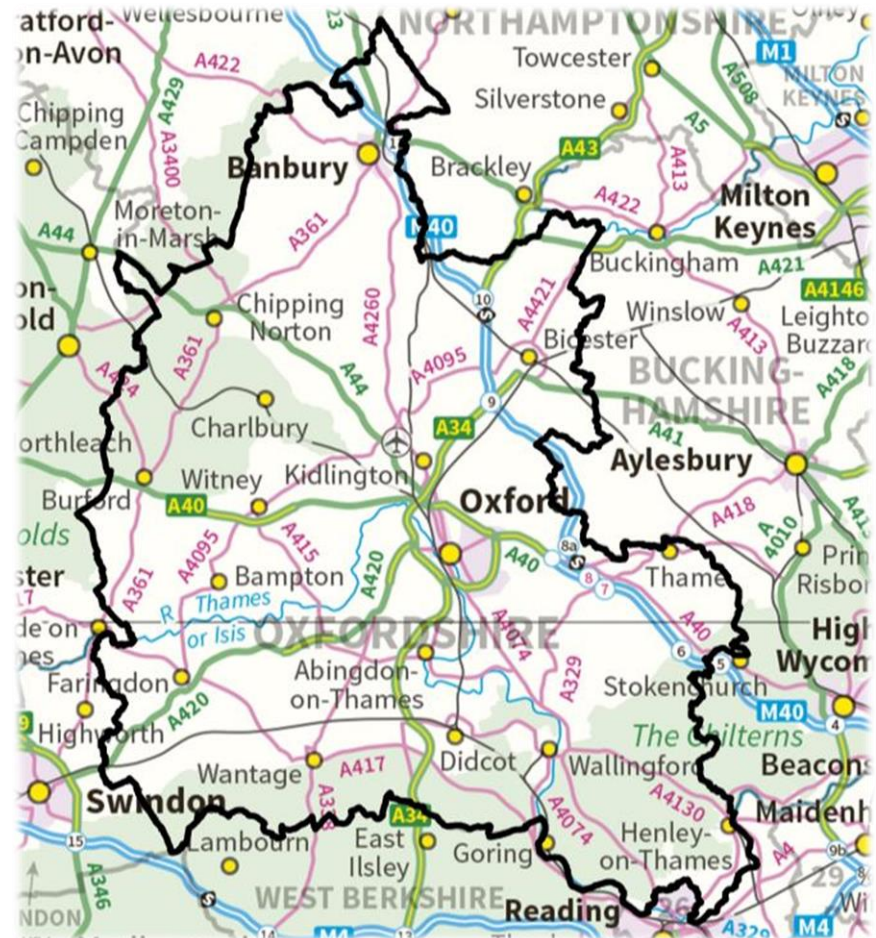
Through understanding, appreciation...

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Anon, US National Park manual
As quoted in 'Interpreting Our Heritage', Freeman Tilden, 1957

Who are Oxfordshire's path volunteers?

- South Chilterns Path Maintenance Volunteers
- Cotswold Wardens
- Vale Path Volunteers
- Blitz 'n' Clean
- Thames Path National Trail
- Ridgeway National Trail
- Parish Path Wardens
- **Over 600 and counting...**





What do they do?

- Workparties
- Patrolling and reporting
- Guided walks
- Interpretation
- Eyes and ears
- Back office
- Statistics...





How do they do it?

- Staff input
- Importance of stats
- Recruitment
- Succession planning
- Volunteers aren't free!





Why do they do it?

- Countryside
- Working together
- Involvement
- Protection
- Thanks?





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Any questions?

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