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Rock Common Quarry



A new ecology focused visitor destination incorporating an eco-lodge development set within the restored sand quarry.

Vision

An integrated ecological resource and National Park visitor destination co-located with eco-tourism accommodation forming a gateway to explore woodland and downland centred experiences.

Objective

To secure the positive re-use of the worked-out sand quarry; add to the stock of visitor accommodation available in the local area and create a visitor hub for the National Park.

- A place for nature; a place without waste, a place for learning and exploration

Outputs

- Fully restored former sand quarry with new habitat and enhanced biodiversity
- New National Park visitor destination and educational resource
- An access point to a network of neighbouring estate experiences across the National Park
- New visitor accommodation and recreational infrastructure
- Jobs and local spending

National Park Outcomes

CORE / MAIN:

Six; widespread understanding of special qualities of the National Park and the benefits it provides.

Eight; more responsibility and action by visitors, residents and businesses to conserve and enhance the special qualities and use resources more widely.

Ten; a diverse and sustainable economy which provides a range of business and employment opportunities, many of which are positively linked to the special qualities of the National Park.

ADDITIONAL / ANCILLARY:

One & Two; increased capacity within the landscape for habitats and species.

Three; better connected networks and an increased population and distribution of priority species.

ECOSYSTEM SERVICES:

Supporting; the creation of new habitat to enable biodiversity, soil formation

Provisioning; clean water, energy

Regulating; erosion, pollination

Cultural; tranquillity, inspiration, recreation and tourism services.

