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Claire Brooks

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In her third year, Claire took a leading part in restarting UEA’s Campus Conservation Club, after it had been dormant for a year.

Campus Conservation Club is a student society which works in partnership with the UEA estates team to look after the natural areas on Campus, helping to maintain the broad, meadow, ponds, woods and walks. They undertake pond habitat management, hedge planting, coppicing and other hands-on tasks under the supervision and training of the estates team.

Claire contacted the Careers Service to arrange a meeting between student volunteers with an interest in conservation and the UEA estates team, in order to set up the club and agree what work it would do.

Claire told us that she gained skills she could add to her CV, especially because she initiated the restart after the dormant period, so it allows her to talk about the use of her initiative, and she feels this has helped employers to see that she can think independently for the benefit of a team.

Asked if she would recommend volunteering to others Claire said:

“100%”!

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