

POND CREATION AND RESTORATION SERVICES



The Wildlife Trust for
**Lancashire
Manchester &
North Merseyside**

NATURE WORKS

Pond creation and restoration at no cost to landowners

Funded by Natural England's District Level Licensing (DLL), we can design and create, or restore, a pond to provide habitat for great crested newts on your land, at no cost to you.



Female

Male

Great Crested Newt
Triturus cristatus

Great crested newts have seen a dramatic decline in their populations over the last 60 years, despite being protected under UK and EU Law. Since 1900, an estimated 50% of the UK's ponds have been lost, reducing the availability of suitable newt habitat.

District Level Licensing aims to mitigate against great crested newt habitat loss by creating a network of interconnected great crested newt habitat at a landscape scale.



Services we will provide, at no cost to you:

- Complete a survey to check suitability
- Arrange and fund required checks or consents
- Design and create or restore your pond
- Provide and install required fencing
- Explore any other funding opportunities.



Is your land suitable?

To qualify for this funding, the pond must:

- Be between 150m (12.25m x 12.25m) and 1000 m2
- Be in a strategic opportunity area
- Be close to other ponds (within 250m generally)
- Be able to hold water for at least one summer in every three
- Have areas of open water
- Have good water quality, with no run-off from agriculture and roads
- Have good quality habitat around the pond: at least 3m of grassland and maybe scrub
- Have plenty of insect prey
- Not contain fish and have no or few waterfowl
- Not be shaded on the south side

To find out more, or to see if your pond or land are eligible for funding through this project, please get in touch:

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