PROJECT PROFILE- EYE LANDFILL

KEY ELEMENTS

CLIENT

 Biffa Waste Services Ltd.

LOCATION

Eye, Peterborough

SCOPE OF SERVICES

- Great Crested Newt Translocation
- Water Vole Translocation

DATE OF PROJECT

2015

Client Details:

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Eye Landfill - Great Crested Newt and Water Vole Translocation



In 2008, arable land adjacent to Eye landfill near Peterborough was purchased and transformed into a Wildlife Corridor. This was in preparation for a translocation of great crested newts (GCN) and water vole from an area of the site that was due to be developed. Numerous waterbodies, areas of wetland, grassland and woodland were created in the Wildlife Corridor.

In spring 2015, once habitats within the Wildlife Corridor were mature and able to sustain a medium population of GCN, AB Ecology undertook the translocation. Fencing was erected between the Wildlife Corridor and the development area, with over a kilometer of temporary fencing around the waterbodies. Pitfall traps, bottle traps and artificial cover objects (known as tins) were used to capture all amphibians within the development area and move them across to the Wildlife Corridor.

The fence will remain intact between the two areas to prevent animals getting back into the development area whilst development works are undertaken. AB Ecology will continue to monitor the newt population in the coming years to ensure the mitigation scheme is successful.





