



Middle Marches Community Land Trust

Established to protect, conserve, restore and enhance our environment through the stewardship of land

The Idea

- Scoping study for the Stepping Stones project
(R. Keymer, 2015)
- What is the Stepping Stones project?
- Key objective > to do this in perpetuity
- How can we do this?
 - Establish a Community Land Trust
- How will it work?
(R. Keymer and J. Brown, 2016)
- Get a group together (2019)



Richard Keymer



Jonathan Brown

How the group formed

- It formed organically
- Six founding members
- Interim steering group



Richard Keymer



Tim Selman



Rob Rowe



Jonathan Brown



Oliver Goode



Lizzie Hulton-
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The early days

- The Launch (4th April 2019)
- Building a membership
- Follow up community events (May and September 2019)
- Constituted as a Community Benefit Society (June 2019)
- Bank account opened
- Events programme launched



Why MMCLT is here

- Loss of connectivity within our landscape
- Wildlife in crisis
- Climate change pressures
- Food and energy supplies vulnerability
- A future for agriculture and forestry
- Supporting resilient communities and economies
- Strategic land purchase
- But not to duplicate, but to add value and fill gaps



- The MMCLT Hub
 - A virtual and physical space where people can look for practical help and advice
 - Best practice training, learning and sharing of information and skills
 - Encourages innovation
 - Produces energy that ripples out
- What we have so far:
 - [The Event Hub](#)
 - [The Green Pages](#)
 - [Community Map](#)
 - [The Programme Hub](#)
- What's next
 - Volunteer-based projects
 - Job Board
 - Shared learning

Our vision for the future

A countryside that supports;

- A rich and varied wildlife
- A thriving local economy
- Carbon positive farming and land management
- Local food and energy from our landscape
- Resilient communities
- More common purpose





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