

**Volunteering Matters Action Earth 2026
Terms and Conditions**

In accepting a Volunteering Matters Action Earth grant, you are confirming that you accept the Terms and Conditions below. In some cases, we may require you to comply with additional conditions requested as a result of your application.

1. **Should you decide not to proceed with the project at any stage after the award of a Volunteering Matters Action Earth Grant please inform us immediately.** We have a limited number of grants and can reallocate funds to other worthwhile projects.
2. **The principal contact will be responsible for all correspondence with Volunteering Matters Action Earth and should take financial responsibility for the project.** Secondary contacts on your application should be aware of their inclusion and that we may contact them if the primary contact is not available.
3. **Activities should emphasize nature-enrichment and biodiversity improvements.** This includes planting of native species, habitat builds, work in community gardens, ponds, woodlands and other activities that will help combat the current Climate Emergency. **We cannot support applications for projects which are primarily about food growing.**
4. **The project site must be open and accessible to the general public.** Exceptions may be made where a community site has limited access such as a Care Home or Hospital.
5. **We cannot fund any projects on school grounds.** When a school project is planned, it should be off the school site. Where a project involves school or college students, they need to be volunteering for the project outwith school or college teaching hours and in their own time.
6. **Please inform us if there is a delay in starting or completing the project and if possible give us revised dates.** Failure to do so may result in us being unable to process your claim for payment and possible withdrawal of funding.
7. **Feedback and receipts should be submitted within four weeks of completion of your project.** A reminder that we cannot fund salaries, sessional workers or trainers, fuel costs, lawnmowers, powertools or purchases of compost that is not peat-free.
8. **It is your responsibility to inform volunteers and seek their permission if any images including them are to be submitted to us.** Any images sent to us may be used for reporting and publicity purposes, including publication on our website.

