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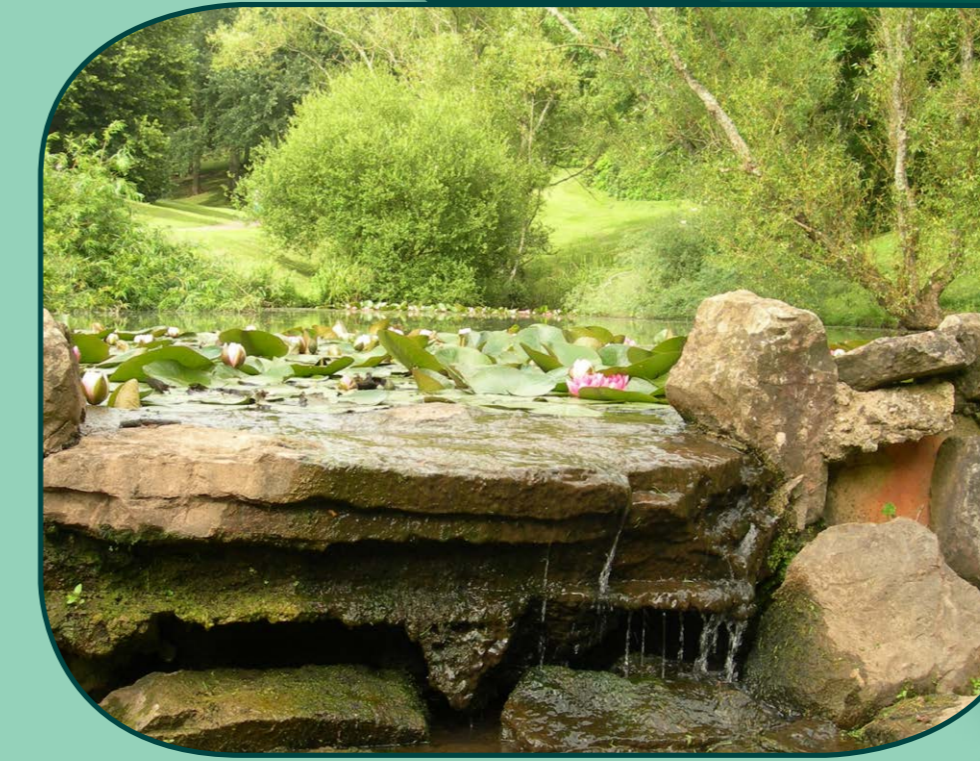
The University is committed to leading meaningful action against the climate emergency and ecological crisis which includes achieving carbon net zero. As a Nature Positive University, we are committed to promoting sustainability and biodiversity in all aspects of our campus life. Our goal is to create a thriving environment where both people and nature can coexist harmoniously. By integrating eco-friendly practices into our operations, research, and education, we aim to lead by example in the global effort to preserve our planet for future generations.



Higher Hoopern Waterways

Higher Hoopern Valley features a network of man-made waterways which is a tributary to the River Exe. These waterways were created in the 1960s and 70s as part of a development plan designed by William Holford and Partners for the University. The plan, aimed at enhancing biodiversity, involved damming existing streams to create a series of ponds and waterways which led to an increase in algae and organic material, providing a rich food source for many invertebrates.

The waterways are managed sympathetically as a habitat to encourage wildlife; a one metre strip at the waterway edges is left uncut to support amphibians, small mammals and birds and the selective planting around the water provides an excellent habitat for a range of wildlife.



Higher Hoopern Valley is a green corridor linking the University campus to the local community. Mature trees including oaks, willows and alders line the pathway along the valley.

Why not take a break and have a mindful moment to absorb these natural surroundings?

