



# Coppermines Valley Conservation Area






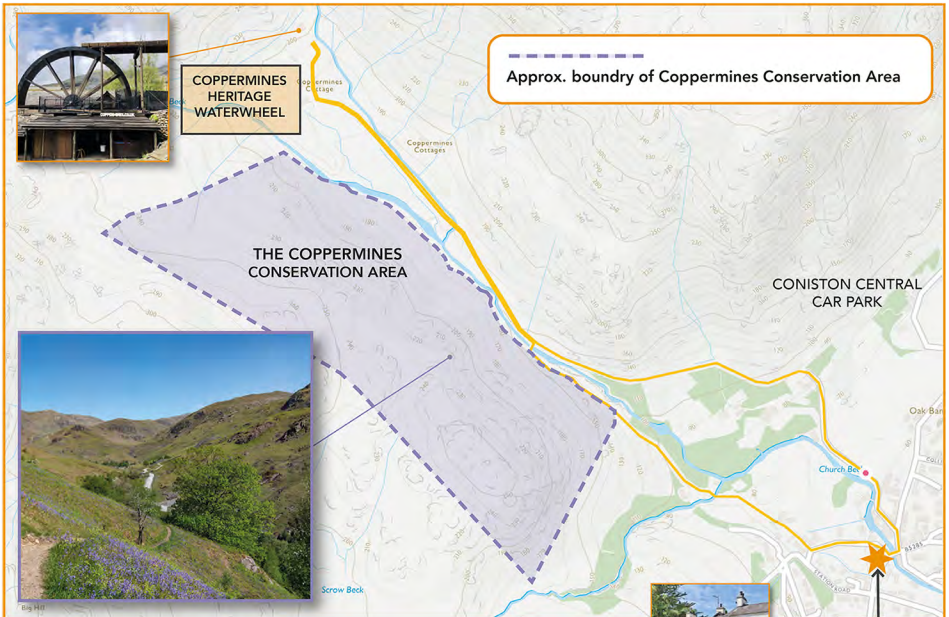
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With increasing importance being placed on the looking after of our beautiful countryside, our Conservation Area is 65 acres of fell-side which is being naturally rewilded.

Rewilding is the natural restoration of the land, encouraging more biodiversity in terms of plant, animal and insect life. It enables nature to take care of itself and encourages a balance between people and nature. Following steps to encourage rewilding, juniper, birch, alder and willows are now all to be found on the site with hundreds of new seedlings becoming established. We have also recently planted 1,000 indigenous trees! Diverse flora including sneezewort, meadowsweet, yellow pimpernel, bog asphodel and quaking grass are all being found thriving on this modestly-sized patch of Cumbrian hillside while the area is also rapidly becoming increasingly valuable to local wildlife. Birds such as the willow warbler, tree pipit, redpoll and whitethroat have all been sighted on The Scrow, as well as four species of bumblebee! The small pearl-bordered fritillary butterfly whose numbers are in decline elsewhere in the UK has also been spotted.

## The Coppermines Conservation Area:

-  **Slows the flow!** - Scrub & tree restoration slows the flow of water after heavy rain reducing risk of land slippage
-  **Reduces carbon dioxide levels!** - by encouraging a diverse range of vegetation
-  **Encourages nature diversification** - contributing to ensure the outlook for our planet is a positive one!



**Take a stroll through the Coppermines Conservation area.**

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