

Friends of Juniper Hill Field



Today the fields are rich in grass,
And buttercups in thousands grow;
I'll show the world where I have been –
With gold-dust seen on either shoe.

What Has Been Happening

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After the [terrific article by Patrick Barkham in The Guardian](#) we are delighted that BBC Radio Gloucestershire made our campaign over Juniper Hill Field into its lead item on Tuesday 19th September and you can listen to it [here](#) if you missed it. We feel the issue is really beginning to punch through.

What is at stake is a rare fragment of limestone grassland, a fragment of what remains of what used to cover 40% of the Cotswolds. We believe that [Woodlands.co.uk](#) have chosen the wrong site and that if they are really interested in conservation of a stunning grassland, they must take down the fences and sell - or donate - the field to those who have experience of managing this kind of important habitat.

We are still waiting to hear from Stroud District Council in response to our submission that there has been a change of land use and we are pursuing a number of other planning issues.

James Millar, a keen bird watcher, will shortly begin blogging on his regular walks and what he sees - and in due course we are planning to offer regular bird watching walks.

To celebrate six months of superb local campaigning and a terrific team of dogged residents and supporters, we want to invite everyone to join us for tea and cakes on Juniper Hill Field.

Meet us at Bulls Cross on Sunday, October 8th, and we will guide people over the site to what we maintain is the BEST VIEW IN THE COTSWOLDS... controversial we know but come and have a look and make your own mind up! Sorry, you will have to bring your own tea/coffee but we will have some cakes and biscuits to offer by way of thanking you for your interest and support. Come and join us, we want a good turn out!

And spread the word.. next update may well have news of a mystery celebrity who is shortly to join the campaign....

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Panorama shot from Juniper Hill Field showing its proximity to the Painswick Valley.

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