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Welcoming visitors

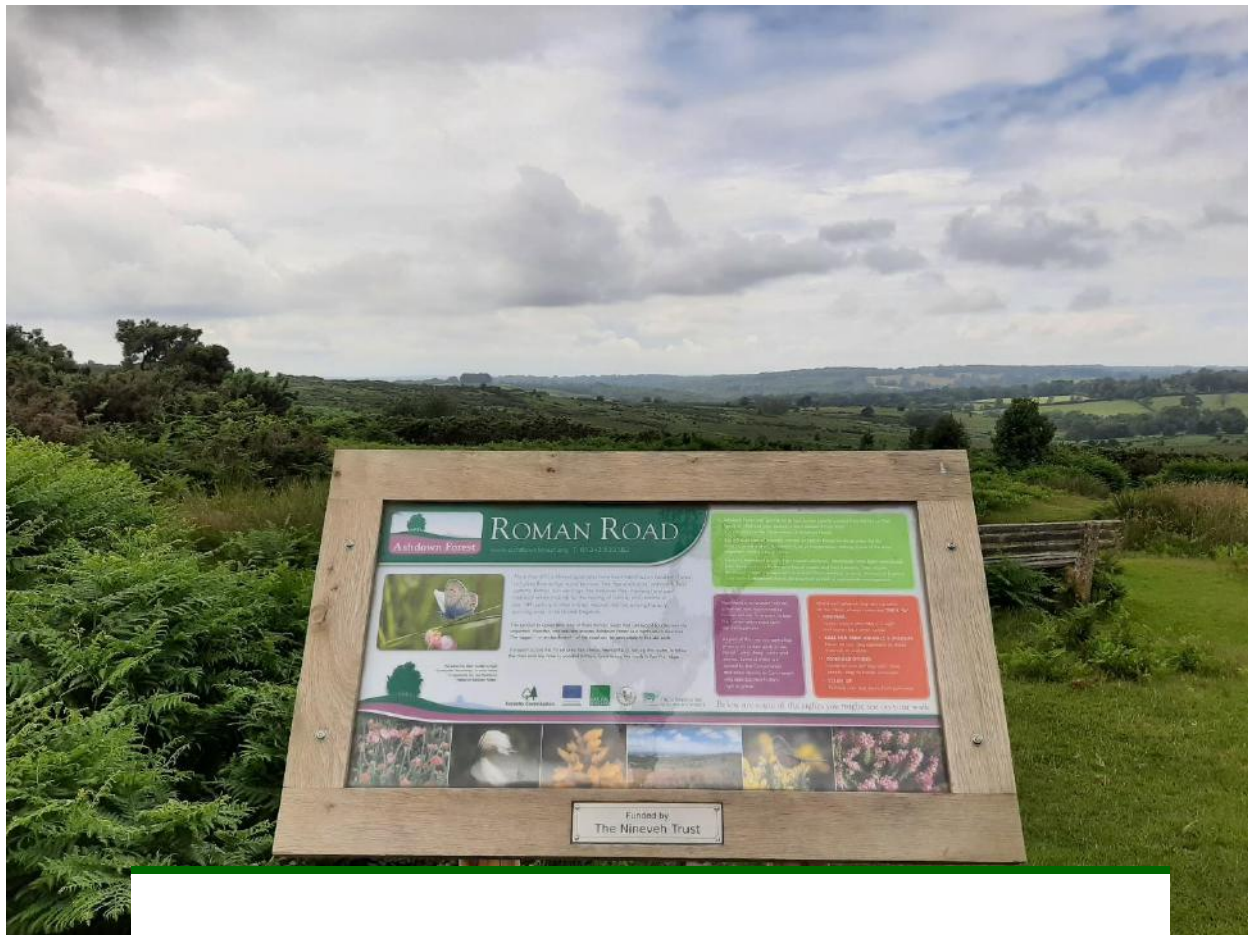
In May 2021, Ashdown Forest Ranger Mike Payne supervised the installation of three lecterns by the Countryside Team on behalf of the Conservators of Ashdown Forest.

The lecterns were kindly sponsored by the Nineveh Trust, and will provide a welcome to visitors to the Forest for years to come.

The three lecterns inform visitors of: the national importance of Heathland habitat, the iconic species that make their home on the Forest and provide a fascinating insight into the history and folklore of the local area – archaeological sites and the origins of local placenames.

Lectern at Goat car park, sponsored by Nineveh Trust





Bringing the landscape to life

Nineveh Trust has helped the Conservators of Ashdown Forest to enhance visitors' enjoyment and understanding of the iconic landscape they have chosen to visit. The lecterns educate visitors about the importance of grazing animals in the management of heathland and suggest how dog walkers can help by keeping their pets under close control. This will help to lessen the number of livestock worrying incidents on the Forest. The lecterns also show some iconic species to look out for, like the common lizard, the "rhubarb and custard" colours of heathers and gorse and the mysterious Nightjar, an elusive bird whose spooky "churring" can be heard on warm summer evenings.

**Thank you,
Nineveh Trust,
for helping us
to welcome
our visitors**

