## **Greening Glemsford PC Climate Group Report 17th August 2021**

## 1. St Mary's Churchyard wildflower project

Please enjoy the grasses, wildflowers and insect life before the area is cut later in the month.

I spent some time observing on a warm, sunny afternoon: Knapweed's purple flowers are attracting many pollinators including both Red and White-tailed Bumble Bees, and butterflies, Large Whites in particular plus a Small Blue butterfly and a Meadow Brown (or was it a Gatekeeper? they look very similar!) There were also several Dusky Sallow day-flying moths enjoying the knapweed nectar.



Amongst the knapweed and the various tall grasses are white -flowered Yarrow and Bindweed, and delicate Lady's Bedstraw.



## 2. BMSDC wildflower areas

It was decided that most of the areas managed by the District Council are too small or too near a road junction to be developed as wildflower areas. However, the existing project at King's Road will hopefully continue next year.

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