

Summary

For today's work party we again enjoyed beautiful weather and a comfortable temperature. This being the start of the autumn season, we resumed work on pulling up sycamore and Norway maple saplings and cutting down slightly larger specimens, along with treating the stumps with "ecoplugs". This was mainly near the junction of the main and western paths, and also some further down the main path. Further inspections were carried out on whips around the boundary, clearing encroaching vegetation, ensuring guards and canes were in place, etc.. A few guards were found to be filled with soil from ants nests, but most whips were thriving. A number of sycamores growing along the western boundary were identified for removal at the next work party. Once again a number of gaps in the boundary were blocked, and as usual we returned with a couple of bags of litter. The remainder of the small wood chip pile at the north end was used to treat about 30m of the western path.

A member of the public showed us a dead mole found by the side of the main path, and we took this opportunity to try out the new mammal tracker app. that NWT had encouraged us to use for reporting mammal sightings.