



Financial support for nature-based projects

Triodos  Bank

Prioritising nature

Triodos Bank has been making money work for positive change for over 40 years.

We know that restoring our depleted natural environment and reversing biodiversity loss is vitally important. It's key to our wellbeing and our future economic prosperity, and will help us to mitigate the effects of the climate crisis.

Triodos has supported the organic, biodynamic and permaculture movements for decades. Now we must find further ways of financing nature preservation and restoration.

Helping you support a sustainable natural environment

Specialist loans

We provide specialist, sustainable finance for businesses and organisations working to tackle the biggest challenges of our time. We take an innovative approach to lending, so can offer flexibility and stability for nature-focused projects as they work towards their goals.

We offer variable or fixed rate loans, on terms of up to 25 years.

Nature-based solutions advisory and capital raising

Working with environmental organisations, our corporate finance team has been developing new business models to catalyse investment in nature-based solutions. We have worked on several pioneering projects across different habitats and raised capital directly from investors into these projects.

“Triodos is changing what it means to be a bank. It’s only by creating these types of funding packages and frameworks with respected financial institutions that people can have the confidence to allow private finance to flow into natural capital at scale – thereby funding the protection of the natural world.”

Rich Stockdale, Managing Director of Oxygen Conservation

Oxygen Conservation

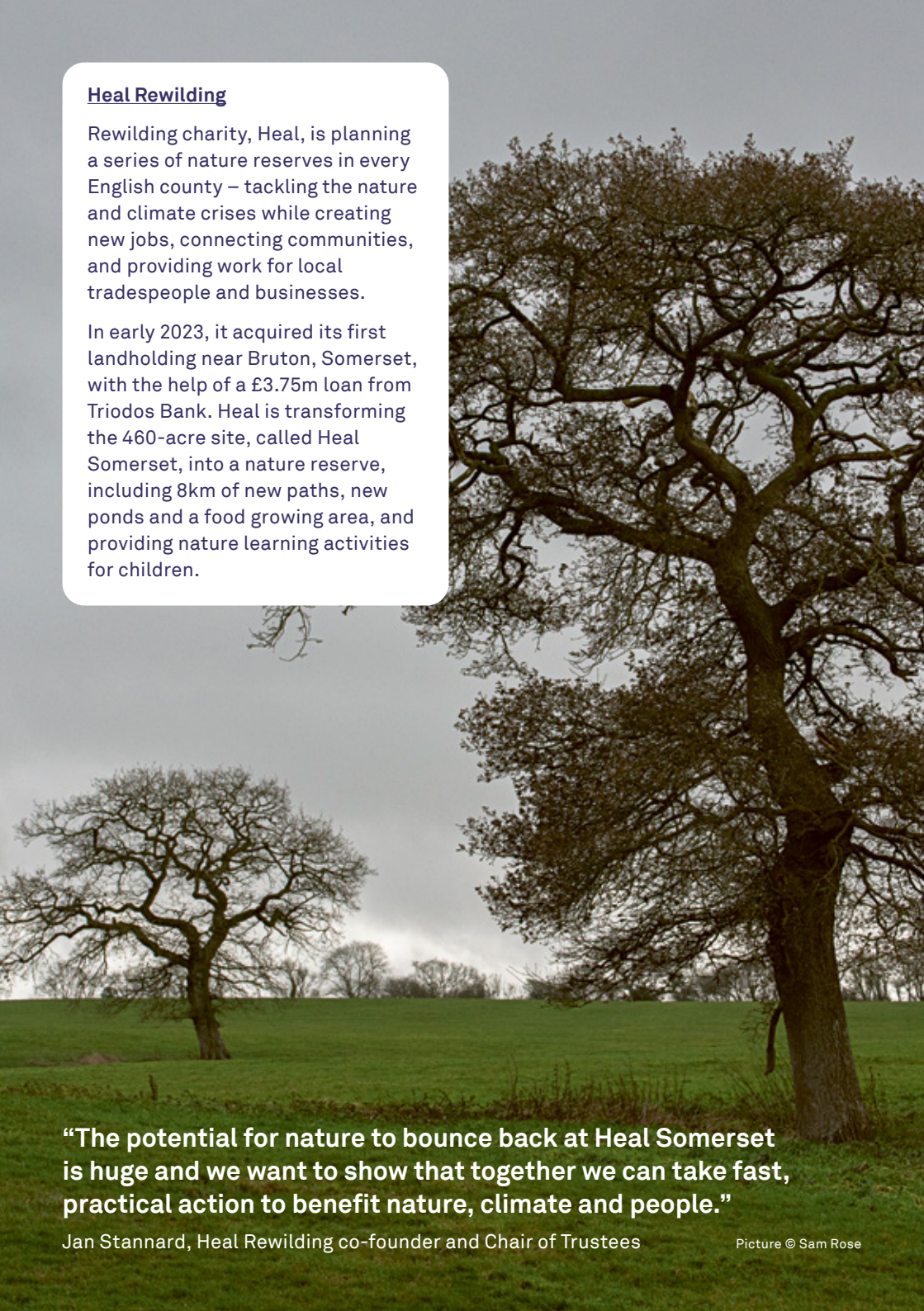
Oxygen Conservation works to protect and improve natural assets, generating a positive economic return as a result of its work, not as its purpose. It aims to achieve this through a diverse range of projects, including species reintroduction, landscape connectivity, regenerative agriculture, eco-tourism and carbon sequestration through woodland and peatland restoration.

A £20.55m loan from Triodos Bank enabled Oxygen Conservation to acquire two sites in Scotland, covering a total of 23,000 acres, in what is believed to be the largest conservation-focused commercial debt package in the UK to date.

Heal Rewilding

Rewilding charity, Heal, is planning a series of nature reserves in every English county – tackling the nature and climate crises while creating new jobs, connecting communities, and providing work for local tradespeople and businesses.

In early 2023, it acquired its first landholding near Bruton, Somerset, with the help of a £3.75m loan from Triodos Bank. Heal is transforming the 460-acre site, called Heal Somerset, into a nature reserve, including 8km of new paths, new ponds and a food growing area, and providing nature learning activities for children.



“The potential for nature to bounce back at Heal Somerset is huge and we want to show that together we can take fast, practical action to benefit nature, climate and people.”

Jan Stannard, Heal Rewilding co-founder and Chair of Trustees

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Trees for Life

Our corporate finance team worked with rewilding charity, Trees for Life, to raise the final £2m required for its ambitious project to open the world's first rewilding centre on its Dundreggan estate. The funds were raised through Triodos Bank's crowdfunding platform, with over 400 people investing in the charity bond.

The Dundreggan Rewilding Centre showcases how large-scale nature recovery can give people inspiring experiences while creating jobs and benefitting rural communities.

“Our conversations with Triodos felt different to those we had with other potential financiers. As our financial plans developed, Triodos were really supportive, helping us to shape the business model needed to make the project vision a reality, grounding our idea in pragmatism and making sure our goals were attainable.”

Steve Micklewright, Trees for Life's Chief Executive

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“Triodos has been invaluable as we have prepared and launched our ecosystem services offering. Green finance offers a unique opportunity to help nature recover and DWT is able to confidently take advantage of this thanks to Triodos’s advice and support.”

Matt Buckler, Director of Natural Solutions, Derbyshire Wildlife Trust

Derbyshire Wildlife Trust

Derbyshire Wildlife Trust has been working with Triodos Bank’s corporate finance team to become investment-ready, as it aims to use green finance to create more space for nature.

The Trust is seeking to sell ecosystem services like biodiversity net gain and carbon sequestration, with income then used to fund land purchase for rewilding.

Triodos’s support has included corporate structuring, financial modelling and business planning – working with the team to understand the risks associated with the project and ultimately supporting it to raise capital.

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