



Landcare

The Landcare Ethic

To protect our environment and way of life now and for future generations, we must carefully manage our land, air, water and biodiversity.

Landcare

Landcare is a national network of thousands of locally-based, independent community groups who care for our country. Group members include landholders and other volunteers who may contribute a few hours a week or many hours a month.



Landcare is about caring for our land and environment. This is achieved through planting trees, fencing creeks and riverbanks, educating school students and carrying out bush regeneration.

As well as undertaking on ground works to improve their local environment, Landcare groups are also involved in awareness raising and education, planning, monitoring (through data collection and surveys) and undertaking community/social activities.

Council Support

Landcare groups in the Cessnock Local Government Area are supported by Council's Environmental Projects Coordinator, who can help groups with technical advice, resources and advice on funding opportunities.

Benefits of Landcare

The sustainability benefits of Landcare include:

Environmental:

Landcare groups address issues such as salinity, soil degradation, animal pests, weeds, vegetation loss, streambank erosion, poor water quality, coastal degradation and urban land degradation.

Economic:

Improving the quality of our land increases its productivity for agriculture and grazing.

Social/Cultural:

Raises community awareness of the importance of sustainable natural resource management and involves communities to participate in improving their local environment.





Local Landcare Groups

Abermain Landcare

Formed in August 2000 and working to improve Swamp Creek at Abermain.

Buttai Valley Landcare

Working in the Wallis Creek catchment.

Burralong Valley Landcare

Improving and protecting Wollombi Brook is a major focus for this group who formed in 1994.

Cessnock Landcare

Formed in 2004 and concentrate their activities in the Black Creek Catchment.

Congewai Landcare

Formed in 2004, Congewai Landcare are completing works along the Congewai Creek.

Greta/Branxton Landcare

Working in partnership with Singleton Landcare on Anvil Creek and acid mine drainage.

Kurri Kurri Landcare

Working on a unique project to manage acid mine drainage issues around Neath, Greta and Glenayr.

Mt Vincent Landcare

Formed in 1989, working on revegetation of Bow Wow Creek Gorge and tree planting along Sandy Creek Road .

Tumblebee Landcare

Has an active interest in environmental education and promoting community awareness of the local environment.

Wollombi Landcare

Formed in 1991 to improve Wollombi Brook.



Further Information

For further information on landcare check out:

www.landcarensw.org

www.landcareaustralia.com.au/hrlnsw/

Or call Hunter Region Landcare, on 4934 8110