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By Email to: Tim Morris, Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management

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Dear Tim

Acknowledgement of donation, ICCM Metals Recycling Scheme

I'm writing to you on behalf of Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust to acknowledge receipt of and to thank you for the further donation as part of your Metals Recycling Scheme.

A number of wildlife /habitat enhancement projects have recently been carried out at Wilford Hill (Southern) Crematorium. The works are helping to improve the grounds on site, provision for wildlife and are helping to create a pleasant and reflective environment for bereaved visitors to the cemetery.

The first phase of the project has involved planting of trees, shrubs, wildflower plug plants and bulbs, all with species attractive to pollinators, which will put on a beautiful display this spring. New planters are in place at the front and rear of the chapel and a wildflower bank is being established within the Woodland Walk. Planting of specimen trees and shrubs, such as crab apple, rose and lavender has been carried out, to replace specimens that have become diseased or leggy.

Additional projects carried out include further construction of log piles/hedgehog homes in discrete locations and the next step is to install some additional bat boxes and bird feeders. Being on a prominent hill and next to woodland, the cemetery attracts bats and a surprising range of birds and provision of feeders will help give the birds a helping hand through next winter.

A major element of this project is the construction and installation of 25 swift boxes in the chapel tower. The boxes are of a bespoke design, made to fit behind the louvres at the top of the tower. Rob Busby, one of the cemetery attendants, put a lot of effort into design/ making the boxes. The project ties in with other swift conservation projects in the area, such as the one at Kinoulton Church, located 6 miles to the south east.

The donation will allow us to continue working with Nottingham City Council's cemeteries team at Wilford Hill and we are also starting to focus our efforts on some of the other sites in the city, such as High Wood Cemetery, on the northern edge of the city towards Bulwell.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information on these projects.

Yours sincerely

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