



# COMMUNITY WILDLIFE SCOUTS

CONNECTING PEOPLE AND WILDLIFE

## HOW YOU CAN HELP?

A donation of **£5** per month (or a one-off donation of **£50**) will ensure that a Community Wildlife Scout is trained and gets the equipment they need to protect both their community and the wildlife of the Queen Elizabeth National park.

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## THE PROBLEM

### WILDLIFE

The Queen Elizabeth National Park is nearly 200000 hectares of savannah, forests, wetlands and water. This diverse landscape is home to hundreds of animals and birds.

Sometimes these animals stray onto land belonging to the local community. When they do so they come conflict with the community and are risked of being injured or killed.

### THE COMMUNITY

The people who live in Kasese and the villages surrounding the Queen Elizabeth National Park. For those making a living from the land or simply trying to grow food for their family wildlife such as elephants can be constant threat. Crops can be destroyed, and people have been injured or killed



## QUEEN ELIZABETH PARKS PROJECT

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Is a community conservation project that supports the Rangers, Community Members and Local Schools of the Queen Elizabeth National Park in Uganda and the Queen Elizabeth Country Park in the UK.

Queen Elizabeth Parks Project  
C/O Queen Elizabeth Country Park, Gravel Hill, Horndean, Hants, PO8 0QE

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## THE SOLUTION

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### COMMUNITY WILDLIFE SCOUTS

When community conflict occurs, it is normally the task of the Park Rangers to protect both the people and the wildlife.

But with limited resources and a huge Park to patrol it is impossible for the Rangers to be able to deal with every conflict situation.

One solution is to train and equip members of the local community to act as Wildlife Scouts who can help scare away encroaching animals safely and report back to the Park Rangers.

This solution puts local people in control and with the support of the local Ranger Team seeks to ensure that both people and wildlife can continue to occupy the same areas.

Community Scouts can also contribute to the wider conservation work of the National Park by being advocates for wildlife

### OTHER SOLUTIONS

There are other methods used by the National Park to help resolve the conflict between people and wildlife. These include the keeping of bees as an elephant deterrent and also a source of income, growing chilly plants which also deter some wildlife and the digging of elephant trenches.

The National Park also use a percentage of its income to support a whole range of community projects which helps to ensure that local benefit from the tourist visiting this amazing area.

## HOW THE QUEEN ELIZABETH PARKS PROJECT HELPS

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The Community Wildlife Scouts need to be trained and equipped. This training and equipment costs round £50 per scout.

The Queen Elizabeth Parks Project is committed to fundraising to try and support this important conservation initiative.

The equipment includes Spray Pumps containing pepper or chilly water this is used in place of weapons to frighten off animals, vuvuzelas also to help scare encroaching animals, high power torches, wet weather gear and gum boots.

The Project also supports the Full-time Rangers with training and donations of equipment.

