Malvern Hills Trust

Magnificent Meadows

Find and explore your local meadow on National Meadows Day, Saturday 2nd July.

Newland Common
The flower-rich meadows that line the road greet people as they enter Malvern. These lesser-visited meadows are full of colour and wildlife.

Link Common
The diversity of the meadow flora on Link Common has been increased by hay strewing. Green hay was collected from Malvern Common spread on Link Common to provide a seed source. Four years after volunteers spread the hay, the first orchids were seen here.

Community Woodland
The orchard at the Community Woodland, Townsend Way is full of local fruit varieties. Beneath the trees is a meadow filled with wildflowers. The meadow is traditionally cut using scythes by volunteers from Malvern Community Forest.

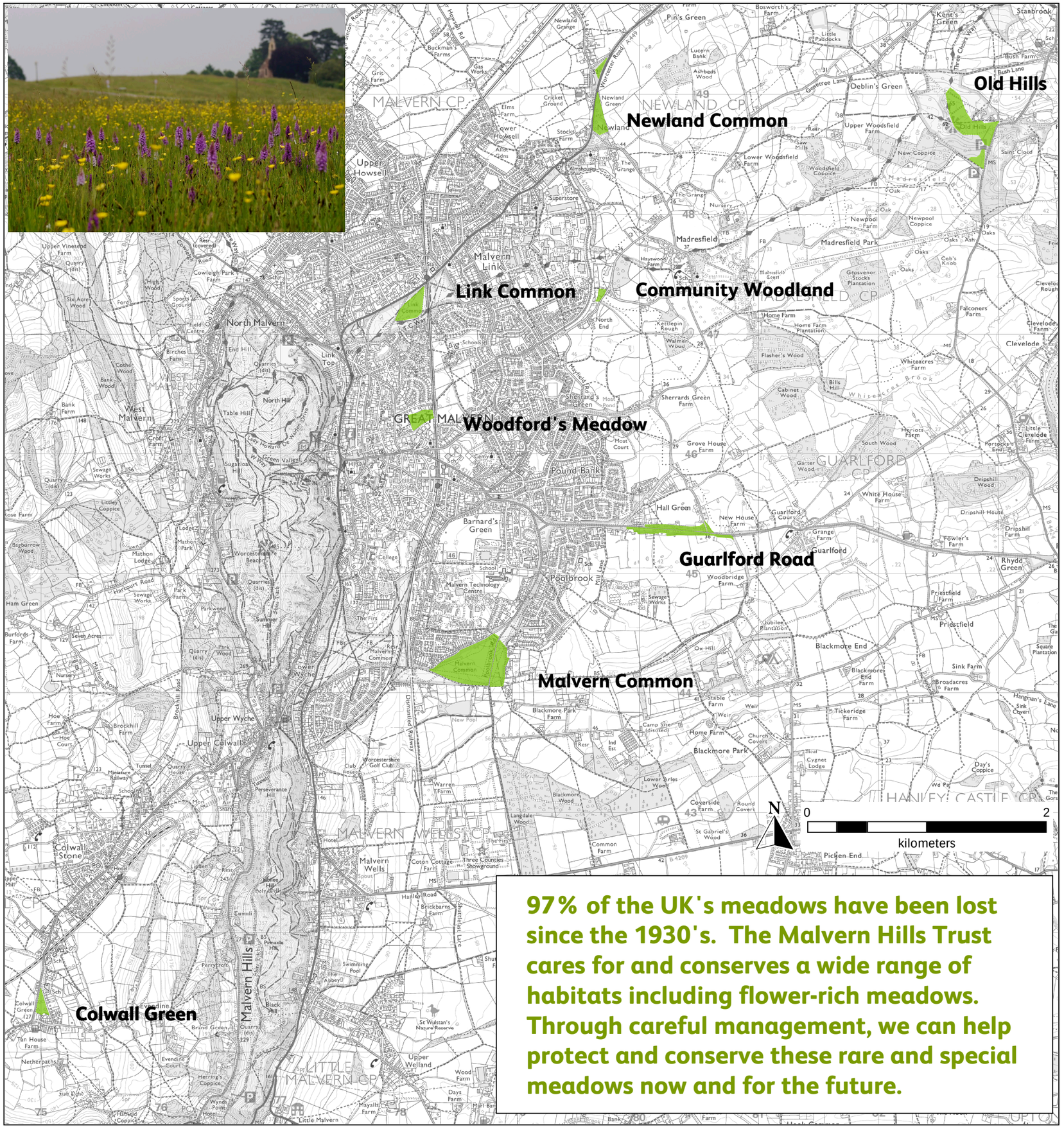
Woodford's Meadow
Located at the back of The Cube, this meadow is hidden in the centre of Great Malvern. There is a distinctive oak tree in the middle of the meadow and fantastic views up to North Hill and the Worcestershire Beacon.

Guarlford Road
Not all meadows are large and this roadside verge is a good example of how small areas can support huge numbers of species.

Malvern Common
After years of careful management the quality of the meadow has improved so much that it is now nationally recognised as a Site of Special Scientific Interest. A diverse habitat full of butterflies and bees.

Colwall Green
This meadow is locally famous for its display of devil's bit scabious that flowers late in the summer. The sea of purple is worth a visit.

Old Hills
On the edge of Callow End, the meadows at the Old Hills are home to a wide range of butterflies including the Marbled White. Highland Cattle graze the scrub areas in the winter to encourage grass growth and increase the amount of meadow habitat



97% of the UK's meadows have been lost since the 1930's. The Malvern Hills Trust cares for and conserves a wide range of habitats including flower-rich meadows. Through careful management, we can help protect and conserve these rare and special meadows now and for the future.