

## Wildflower Group Report – April 2025

The glorious spell of good weather continued though Wednesday, 9th April dawned cloudy with a cold wind but dry when 15 of us met at Egglestone Abbey.

We proceeded across and down to the meadow, upon ascending into the meadow we looked back at the embankment which was covered in Primroses. As we ambled along Thorsgill Beck we identified golden Saxifrage and Butterbur at the water's edge. Looking over at another embankment we saw more Primroses and to our right was Bow Bridge a cobbled 17th century packhorse bridge.

Leaving the meadow, we wandered down to the Tees riverside, then sauntering up the lane to Abbey Bridge we were delighted to find Moschatel (town hall clock) and yellow Dead Nettle (yellow archangel).

Dry conditions underfoot allowed us to wander quite far into the woods to see Bluebells dotted amongst a carpet of Wood Anemones with Wild Garlic and Early Dog Violet making an appearance.

A complete list of the 33 wildflowers identified was sent to the Group members.

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