

Long Riddings Hedgerows – in late Spring

Addingham's hedgerows are precious. Hedgerows are not common in Bradford District, so they are a priority habitat in the 'Local Biodiversity Action Plan'. Old, unmanaged species-rich hedgerows are particularly valuable for wildlife. They provide shelter, nest sites and food for small mammals, birds, bats, butterflies, bees and other insects. They are important as 'corridors' for wildlife to move along. Enjoy the hedgerows of holly, hazel and hawthorn, with lovely mature oak and ash trees as you walk up the next three fields.



The plants growing underneath tell us that these hedges have been here a long time. Smell the pungent aroma of Wild garlic, enjoy the Hawthorn (May Flower) in bloom and higher up look out for a beautiful Crab Apple Tree, on the left-hand side of the path.



Wild garlic



Hawthorn blossom



Crab apple blossom