

How will we spend the money raised in the WTT Auction?

Thank you all for supporting the Wild Trout Trust Spring Auction 2024, whether you've generously donated a lot or taken part as a bidder. The money we hope to raise is crucial to what we do – it's our single most important fundraising event of the year.

Our work is for the conservation of our native, wild brown trout and all manner of other wildlife that shares the places where they live. We focus on repairing the physical habitat destruction inflicted on the rivers of the UK and Ireland over centuries, so much of what we do is very practical, working with fishing clubs, landowners, other conservation groups and government bodies to improve trout habitat. We plant bankside trees, fence-off riverbanks, put wood and gravel in the river to create habitat and take down weirs so fish can move around freely to fulfil all the parts of their life cycle, benefiting not only fish but also a myriad of plants and animals living in and by the river. The auction plays a vital role in getting projects off the ground and equipping our field staff.



Increasingly, through our website, social media, printed material and talks, we spread messages on trout conservation, and we work with sister NGOs to influence thinking on issues that impact our rivers and their trout, such as climate change, pollution from agriculture and the water industry and abstraction. We'll do more of this in the year ahead.



We will use wisely whatever money is raised; we keep overheads to an absolute minimum (for example, our staff all work from home) to maximise the amount we spend on practical improvement of habitat for wild trout. We run this auction on our own site, so costs are minimal, and we are blessed with fantastic volunteers who, like you, are vital to its success.

If you would like to chat about our auction or anything else to do with WTT, please do not hesitate to call or email Shaun Leonard on 07974 861908 (director@wildtrout.org) or Chrissy Bryant on 023 9257 0985 (office@wildtrout.org).

Thanks again for all your support.

Shaun Leonard, WTT Director