## Pledge 1 Let the grass and weeds grow



This pledge couldn't be easier, just forget about the lawn mower and let the grass grow!

Left alone, your patch could soon become a mini meadow!

Long grass encourages different plant species to grow, which helps insects to thrive, creates feeding opportunities for birds and shelters small mammals, such as voles, mice and hedgehogs.

Among many other flowers, these little beauties will start popping up...







**Cowslips** 



Daisies



Orchids



Oxeye daisies



Scabious

If a garden full of long grass is too much, paths can be made through the long grass, this will make it look cared for as well as having the benefits to wildlife!

Just remember to leave the rest of the mowing until July or August after plants have flowered.



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