



Citizen Science

A great way to help conservation from your own home is to get involved in Citizen Science. This is a term for when ordinary members of the public help scientists by collecting or processing the huge amounts of data that studies often require.

Zooniverse

www.zooniverse.org

Zooniverse is a really easy to use website which was set up to help scientists advertise their research projects and attract volunteers to help them.

There are loads of different projects to choose from and they change all the time! For example, you could try out the **'Snapshot Elephants for Africa'** project which has camera traps placed in a National Park in Botswana to study elephant behaviour. They are simply asking volunteers to help them look at some of the thousands of camera trap photos they have taken and identify which ones contain elephants!

Other projects currently on the website include exploring chimpanzee behaviours, identifying wildflowers, listening to whale songs, measuring the height of giraffes and much more!

You don't need any previous knowledge or special skills, all instructions are given and are aimed at complete beginners.

Why not try your hand at one of these projects and give something back to nature, science and conservation while you're indoors.

If you find a great citizen science project why not tell us on our social media pages to let others know? We're on twitter as **@WildCumbernauld** and Facebook as **Cumbernauld Living Landscape**



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