



Yorkshire
Wildlife Trust



**Yorkshire Peat
Partnership**

Training, skills & capacity development



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Peatland restoration is growing but...

- No accredited training for restoration practitioners.
- Very few specialist restoration contractors and horticultural suppliers working on large-scale peatland restoration.
- Urgent need to increase capacity at every level if we are to deliver the amount of peatland restoration work.



What we want to do

- Lantra course for project managers.
- Practical training modules aimed at the agricultural community, contracting sector, landowners, land managers and the community sector.
- Apprenticeship based on the national Countryside Worker and Countryside Ranger levels.



Lantra course

- Aimed at those wanting to manage/conserve peatlands, develop skillset in restoration or gain proof of competence.
- Attendees receive accreditation in peat restoration and gain ability to apply best practice.
- 8 topics covered over 2 separate 3-day sessions using presentations, workshops, activities and 2 field trips.



8 Lantra course topics

Surveying

Restoration
plans

Delivering
restoration
&
evaluating
success

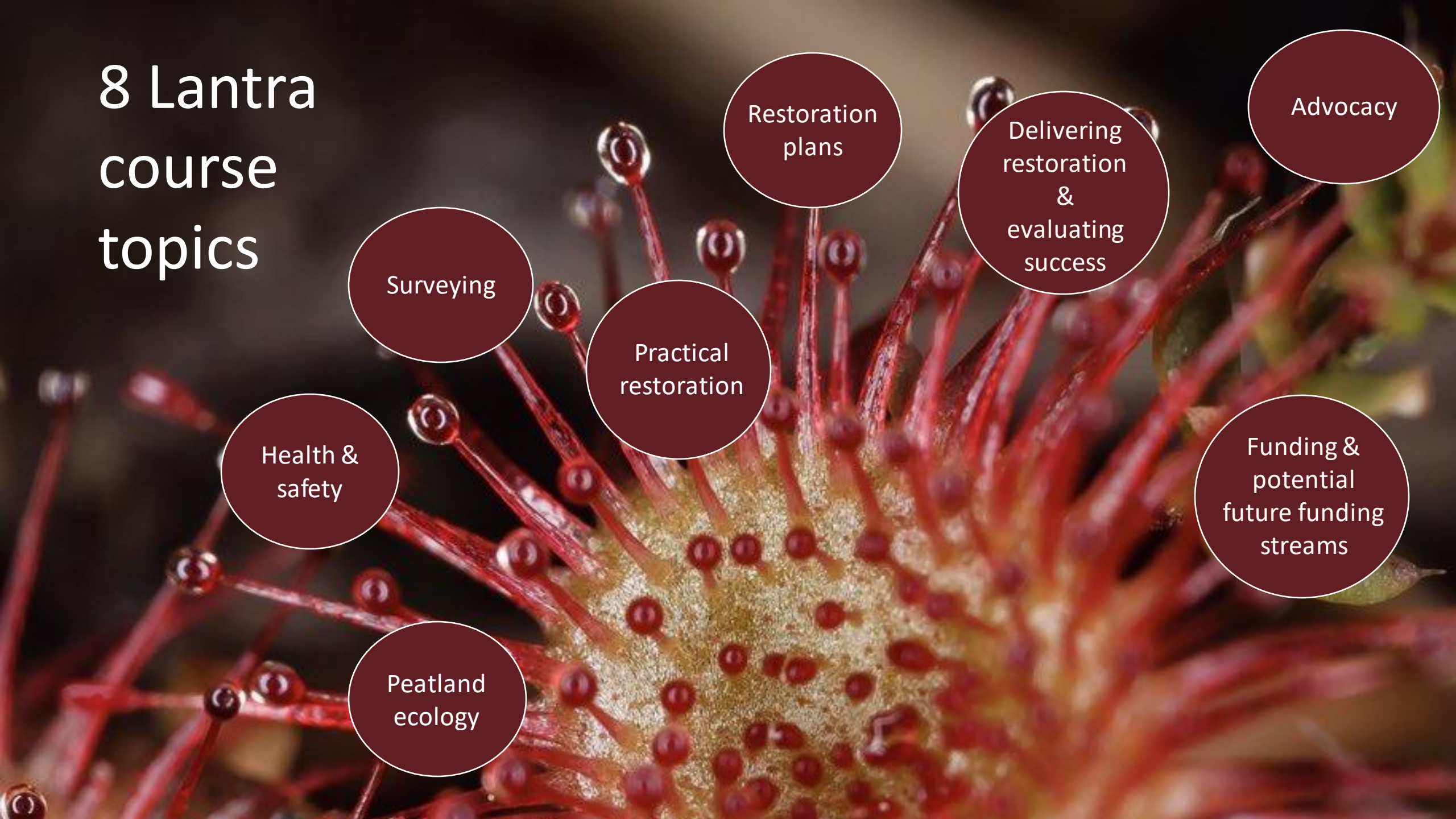
Advocacy

Practical
restoration

Health &
safety

Funding &
potential
future funding
streams

Peatland
ecology



Practical training modules

- Working with existing contractors on a series of demos and business development techniques aimed at new entrants.
- Activities also relevant to land managers and community groups.
- We would look to develop these as part of expanded practical elements in the LANTRA approved programme.



Apprenticeship

- Vocational route to establish a career in practical peatland conservation and management.
- Based on the national Countryside Worker and Countryside Ranger levels.
- For now, YPP has bringing in lots of assistants with the aim of training and developing to officer then manager level.



Further information

- We hope to role out the first LANTRA courses Spring 2023.
- Course details at www.lantra.co.uk/course/peatland-restoration-practitioner
- Any questions or interest to info@ypppartnership.org.uk



Thank you



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