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## **Trust to Manage Thrupp Lake Announced**

It has just been announced by RWE npower that the contract to manage Thrupp Lake, the largest of the Radley Lakes in Oxfordshire, has been won by a local wildlife trust – the Northmoor Trust. For three and a half years, Save Radley Lakes battled to save this lake from being filled with ash from Didcot ‘A’ Power Station, which is owned and run by RWE npower. Then, in December 2008, these efforts were finally successful when RWE npower announced that Thrupp Lake and the adjoining house were to be made into a nature reserve and environmental centre for the benefit of the local community and would be managed by a local trust. This week’s announcement is the first step in realising those promises.

Roger Thomas, vice chairman of Save Radley Lakes, said:

*“Save Radley Lakes would like to congratulate the Northmoor Trust on winning the contract to manage the Thrupp Lake site. The enormous support that Save Radley Lakes enjoyed when the lake was under threat shows just how much the people of Abingdon and Radley value this area and its wildlife. Now that Thrupp Lake has a bright future, we want to direct our energies and enthusiasm towards working with the Northmoor Trust to give this new venture the success which it so obviously deserves.”*

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