

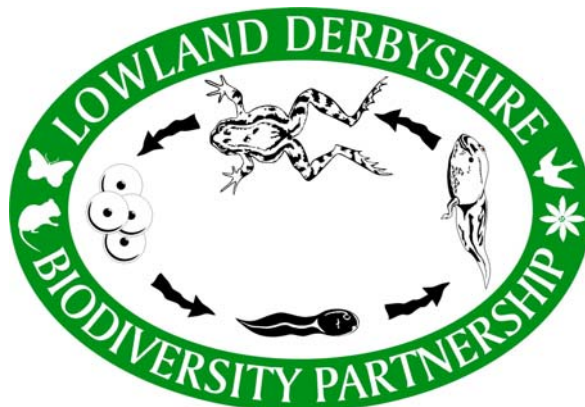
Generic Action Plan

Lowland Derbyshire LBAP



Tree planting at Langwith Junction Credit: Derbyshire Wildlife Trust

Prepared by the Lowland Derbyshire Biodiversity Partnership



This document forms part of the Lowland Derbyshire Biodiversity Action Plan 2011-2020

The actions listed here are **appropriate to all areas** of the Lowland Derbyshire LBAP and are relevant to all **UK Priority Species and Habitats**. There are no targets linked to them because they cover a very broad range of work and activities that need to be carried out throughout the entire 2011-2020 LBAP period. (For more detailed Actions and specific Targets, please refer to each of the eight geographic subdivisions of this LBAP, known as **Action Areas**)

Whilst the partners most suited to delivering each Generic Action are listed below them, this should not prevent others from carrying out these actions where it is consistent with their organisation's aims and objectives.

1. Key actions:

1. **Survey and monitor** Priority Habitat and Priority Species, and update databases and GIS layers as appropriate. Enhance knowledge by focused surveying and data gathering (with emphasis on open mosaic habitats, hedgerows and traditional orchards). Enhance knowledge of locally important species through recording, research and publication to inform future conservation activities. Share data, as appropriate, within the Partnership and encourage uploading of records to NBN Gateway.

Action by: Local Record Centre Partnership, Local Wildlife Sites Partnership and county recorders/ recording groups, site managers and owners

2. Provide appropriate **protection** to Priority Habitats and Priority Species through **designated sites** such as Sites of Special Scientific Interest, Local Wildlife Sites and Local Nature Reserves. Designate new sites and remove sites which no longer qualify.

Action by: Natural England, Local Wildlife Sites Partnership and local authorities, including Parish and Town Councils

3. **Protect** sites and species through the **use of wildlife legislation**.

Action by: Natural England and Derbyshire Constabulary, aided by local species experts and Derbyshire Wildlife Trust



Plant recording for the Flora of Derbyshire project.
Credit: Groundwork Derby and Derbyshire



Surveying aquatic life in ponds.
Credit: Groundwork Derby and Derbyshire



4. **Protect** Priority Habitats and Species and promote conservation management, restoration and creation through **effective use of the planning system** through negotiation, the use of mitigation and compensation, the use of conditions and, where necessary, by refusing permission for development.

Action by: *Derbyshire Wildlife Trust, Environment Agency, local authorities, National Forest Company, Natural England and RSPB.*

5. Work to remove or reduce the influence of known **invasive species** where these threaten the future of Priority Habitats or Species

Action by: *All partners and landowners*

6. Provide conservation **land management advice** and support to landowners, LBAP partners, community groups and others who could help achieve the LBAP targets (including management, restoration and creation of priority habitats).

Action by: *BTCV, Derbyshire Wildlife Trust, Forestry Commission, FWAG, Groundwork Derby & Derbyshire, LBAP Partnership, National Forest Company, Natural England, RSPB, WildDerby, landscape projects, community groups and county specialists as appropriate.*



Interpretation at Forbes Hole LNR.
Credit: Groundwork Derby and Derbyshire



Introducing people to Peregrine Falcons at Derby Cathedral.
Credit: Derbyshire Wildlife Trust

7. Manage sites, within partners' ownership, for the achievement of the LBAP targets.

Action by: *All partners*

8. **Promote agri-environmental schemes** and similar schemes (such as Environmental Stewardship, England Woodland Grant Scheme, Changing Landscape Scheme etc) to appropriate audiences to work towards the achievements of the LBAP targets.

Action by: *Derbyshire Wildlife Trust, Forestry Commission, FWAG, National Forest Company, Natural England, RSPB and landscape projects as appropriate.*

9. **Raise awareness** of biodiversity issues through newsletters, press releases, education, interpretation, training, events and web media, etc.

Action by: *All partners, LBAP Project Officer*



10. **Develop projects** and submit **funding bids** to achieve LBAP targets.

Action by: All partners

11. **Monitor** the achievements of the partnership and track progress towards LBAP targets. Ensure information is passed to others who need this data e.g. UK/England/Regional Biodiversity partnerships; funding organisations and the media.

Action by: LBAP Partnership, especially LBAP Project Officer

12. **Work with volunteers** and **community groups** to achieve the LBAP targets, providing assistance such as training or financial, where appropriate. This would be especially valuable where individuals, groups and organisations are not already engaged in biodiversity activities.

Action by: All partners

13. **Promote** the inclusion of biodiversity in the objectives of other sectors such as social, economic and tourism agendas wherever possible.

Action by: All partners

14. Encourage the **expansion** of BAP Priority Species by targeted **habitat enhancements**, including those where no targets have been stated.

Action by: All partners, landowners and gardeners

15. Prepare and publish concise **Species Action Plans** for a range of selected species to be added to this document on the Derbyshire Biodiversity website from 2012 onwards.

Action by: LBAP Partnership, especially LBAP Project Officer, Derbyshire Wildlife Trust, county recorders, recording groups

16. Develop mechanisms for individuals or groups in the wider community to **demonstrate support** for the aims of the LBAP process, and to **play an active part** in enhancing Derbyshire's biodiversity.

Action by: All partners, LBAP Project Officer



Left: Pond restoration. Credit: Bolsover Woodland Enterprise

Right: The Moss Valley Wildlife Group hedgelaying on their Silver Jubilee. Credit: Moss Valley Wildlife Group



Table 1: The table below provides information on the contributions made by each type of LBAP partner towards the Generic Actions and Area Targets.

Key

✓ - Partner usually carries out this function.

(✓) - Partner and non-partners may carry out this function if their skills and interests allow.

Partner	Surveying & recording	Site management (including management, restoration and creation)	Land management advice	Planning advice/ responsibility/ commenting on applications	Working with volunteers	Grant aiding	Education & awareness raising
BTCV		✓	✓		✓		✓
Businesses		✓			✓		✓
Derbyshire Constabulary		✓					✓
Derbyshire Wildlife Trust	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Developers		(✓)		(✓)			(✓)
Ecological Consultancies	(✓)		(✓)	(✓)			
Environment Agency	✓	✓		✓			✓
Forestry Commission	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Farming and Wildlife Advice Group (FWAG)		✓	✓				✓
Groundwork Derby & Derbyshire; Groundwork Creswell, Ashfield and Mansfield	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓
Highways Agency	✓	✓					✓
Individuals	(✓)	(✓) (gardens)					
Landowners and Tenant Farmers	(✓)	✓			(✓)		(✓)
Local community groups and 'Friends of Groups'	✓	✓	(✓)	(✓)	✓		✓
Local Authorities	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓



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Lowland Derbyshire Biodiversity Partnership co-ordinator			√				√
Mineral Companies	√	√				√	√
National Farmers Union			√				√
National Forest Company	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
National Trust	√	√	√		√		√
Natural England	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Parish and Town Councils	(√)	(√)		(√)	(√)		(√)
RSPB	√		√	√	√		√
Schools, Colleges and Universities	(√)	(√)			(√)		(√)
Special Interest Groups (including county recorders, recording groups and national/ local specialists)	√		(√)		(√)		(√)
Severn Trent Water		√			√		√
Small Woods Association			√				√
Woodland Trust		√	√		√		√

