

Biodiversity Recovery in Dorset

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Nature Recovery Policy Context

25 Year Environment Plan

- Develop a Nature Recovery Network to protect and restore wildlife, and provide opportunities to re-introduce species that we have lost from our countryside.

Environment Bill

- Local Nature Recovery Strategies
 - a statement of biodiversity priorities for the strategy area.
 - a local habitat map for the whole strategy area or two or more local habitat maps which together cover the whole strategy area.
- Minimum 10% Biodiversity New Gain



Statement of Biodiversity Priorities

- A description of the opportunities for recovering or enhancing biodiversity, in terms of habitats and species, in the strategy area.
- The priorities, in terms of habitats and species, for recovering or enhancing biodiversity (taking into account the contribution that recovering or enhancing biodiversity can also make to other environmental benefits).
- Proposals as to potential measures relating to those priorities.



Initial Work

Terrestrial Biodiversity Recovery Workshop – today

Marine Biodiversity Recovery Workshop – tbc

- What would you want to see in a Statement of Biodiversity Priorities for Dorset (what change do we want to see)?
- What needs to happen to get us there?
- Who else do we need to engage with and how?



Habitat Map

A local habitat map for the whole strategy area

- National conservation sites in the strategy area.
- Any nature reserves in the strategy area provided under section 21 of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949.
- Other areas in the strategy area which in the opinion of the responsible authority
 - (i) are, or could become, of particular importance for biodiversity, or
 - (ii) are areas where the recovery or enhancement of biodiversity could make a particular contribution to other environmental benefits.



Ecological Network Maps

