

Cholsey Parish Council Biodiversity Action Plan

SITE/OBJECTIVE	ACTION	OUTCOME	TARGET	REPORTING/PUBLICITY
Recreation Ground	Implement Recreation ground management plan (adopted Sept 2023)	Management of the recreation ground that considers people and biodiversity	Updated yearly and implemented yearly	CPC website
Recreation Ground	Explore alternative methods for management of Whitehead Meadow	Management of the recreation ground that considers people and biodiversity	2025	CPC website and Facebook. The Forty mag?
Whole council area	Produce and implement verge management plan	Management of the verges that considers people and biodiversity	New contractors and plan in place for 2025	CPC website and Facebook site. The Forty mag?
Allotments	Manage and rejuvenate hedgerows on allotment land	Management of the hedgerows that considers people and biodiversity. Link with local school and BTCV Green Gym.	Updated yearly and implemented yearly	CPC website and Facebook site. The Forty mag?
The Forty	Agree plans for Forty wildlife meadow project from Summer 2025	Management of The Forty that considers people and biodiversity	2025	CPC website and Facebook. The Forty mag?
Whole council area	Investigate funding options for planting of trees on 76 sites	Increase tree number in Cholsey	2025	CPC website and Facebook. The Forty mag?

	(identified by OCC) on OCC owned verges			
Whole council area	Support planting of trees in residents gardens	Increase tree number in Cholsey	2025	CPC website and Facebook. The Forty mag?
Cholsey and Aston Parishes	Undertake Citizen Science and art project ('The Spring Line project'), funded by Mend The Gap	Increased awareness of local wildlife	2025	CPC website, Facebook, The Forty mag, Schools, community groups
St Mary's Church	Work with Cholsey Church and their EcoChurch programme to look at opportunities with the churchyard to increase biodiversity	Management of the burial grounds that considers people and biodiversity	2025	CPC website and Facebook. St Mary's Church website and Facebook page. The Forty mag?
St Mary's Church	Work with Cholsey Church to create sensory garden in Lawrence Hall.	Creation of a garden space that is for people and flora and fauna	2025	CPC website and Facebook. St Mary's Church website and Facebook page. The Forty mag?
Whole village, including Cholsey Recreation Ground	Encourage residents to remove litter and pick up after their dogs	Sustain and enhance natural habitats	Biannual litter pick. Ongoing.	CPC website and Facebook. The Forty mag?
Burial Ground, Butterfly Garden	Work with Phil Dyson to find ways to support him with the management of the area	Ensuring the project is sustainable and continues for many years into the future	Plan in place spring 2025	CPC website and Facebook. St Mary's Church website and Facebook page. The Forty mag?
Station Road Gardening Project	Support and coordinate Station Gardening Team, liaise with GWR and Bee Friendly Trust regarding	Increased biodiversity in an otherwise barren space, with the benefit of	Ongoing. New planters to be installed by end 2025	CPC website and Facebook.

	existing pollinator friendly planters as well as securing new planters on the platform	improving the space for the users of the station		
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Continued commitments

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The built landscape	Ensure that planning consultations are considered against the requirements of the Neighbourhood Plan.	Protect/enhancing habitats	Ongoing	CPC
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Support CHEC Wildlife Group and other community projects increasing biodiversity	Support the CHEC group	Protect/enhancing habitats	Ongoing	CHEC Facebook page and The Forty
Whole village	Continue to help run Growing Better Together and encourage	Increase biodiversity	Ongoing	CPC website and Facebook. The Forty mag?

	wherever possible gardening and growing that increases biodiversity and refrains from using pesticides, chemical weedkillers and peat-based compost.			
Whole council area	Continue commitment to not use glyphosate weedkiller on council land and increase knowledge of residents of the negative aspects of glyphosate.	Increase biodiversity	Ongoing	CPC website and Facebook. The Forty mag?
BT Garden	Support CHEC's BT Garden project	Advice and support management of The BT Garden that considers people and biodiversity	Ongoing	CPC website and Facebook. The Forty mag?
Community Orchard	Support and advise when necessary	Increase biodiversity and the opportunities for people to be in green space	Ongoing	CPC website and Facebook. The Forty mag?

This Action Plan was adopted on 15th January 2025 (Minute reference: 2024/2025;149) and will be reviewed annually.