

NATURE RECOVERY: IDEAS FOR ACTION



Good quality green space can affect how people think, feel and behave - it can increase physical recreation and allow people to interact with nature on their doorstep. Community action to benefit wildlife can help species and habitats but also the people who use those spaces.

Community groups can help maintain and enhance areas for nature: removing litter, recording wildlife and helping with management. On a larger scale, groups can be created to undertake grant-funded projects to manage larger areas of land in a community, such as parks, playing fields or even allotments and orchards.

Successful nature recovery needs positive action from us all and for both organisations and individuals to work together – at all levels. Everyone can make a difference, raise awareness and work together on projects that benefit both biodiversity and people.



DISCOVER

If you want to find out what wildlife lives in your patch, the Aderyn website will help you. You can put in your postcode and it will tell you what's been recorded near you, or you can search for specific species to see how rare or common something is in Wales. <https://aderyn.lercwales.org.uk>

Get to know your local patch to see what opportunities you have to enhance the wildlife there. What patch of grassland could be allowed to grow, where could you plant some trees, where could you make a pond or just create a wood pile?



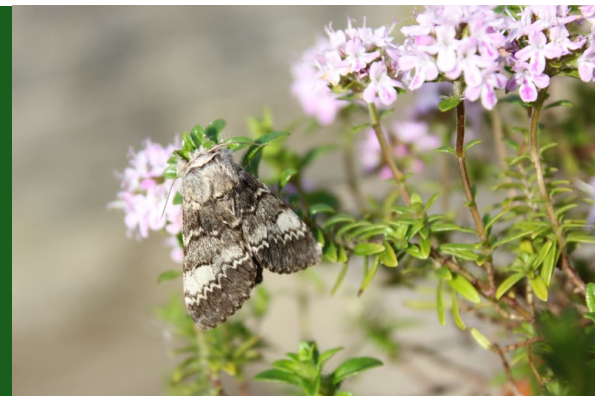
MANAGE

Use the expertise of the Local Nature Partnerships and the organisations within it: they can help advise on what action you could undertake on your site. [Carmarthenshire Nature Partnership \(gov.wales\)](http://gov.wales)



CREATE

Try to create a mosaic or patchwork of habitats that are connected. You can work with the natural characteristics of your land and enhance what is already there, or create a wildlife garden or raised beds with pollinator-friendly plants.



PROTECT

Avoid using pesticides and herbicides and go peat free – use peat alternatives and help save our valuable peat bogs. Get involved with a local wildlife project and protect your local wildlife sites.



For more detail:

- Find out more about nature in Carmarthenshire at [Biodiversity \(gov.wales\)](http://gov.wales)
- Contact Biodiversity@carmarthenshire.gov.uk for more information or if you would like to sign up to the Nature News e-mails.
- [Resources for Improving Biodiversity](#) – National Botanic Garden of Wales

