

## COLBURN TOWN COUNCIL BIODIVERSITY ACTION PLAN

SITE/OBJECTIVE	ACTION	OUTCOME	TARGET	REPORTING /PUBLICITY
Whole Council Area    Protect and Support Biodiversity	Raise local awareness of Biodiversity	Gain local support	Ongoing	Website, social media
	Fly Tipping	Removal	Ongoing	Report to NYC
	Litter	Organise regular litter picks	Ongoing	Website, social media
	Encourage suitable planting	Flower tubs, wild flowers, Bedding Plants/Shrubs.	Ongoing	Mapping
	Wild Flower Meadow	Establish meadows	Ongoing	
Play Parks	Maintain existing hedging  Leave some areas unmown  Use environmentally friendly pesticides where possible and only in ideal weather conditions	Food sources and cover for wildlife  Encourage insects  Sustained enhance natural habitats	Ongoing	
Common/Other Open Spaces	Encourage residents to remove litter and pick up after their dogs  Work with NYC on verge management  Litter /Fly tipping  Maintain regular contact with Land Trust	Protect habitats  As detailed in Whole Council Area objective	On going  On going	

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Colburn Sidings Woods	Maintain management of the Woodland	Enhanced habitat spaces Promote natural habitat piles & rough areas Bird & Owl boxes Natural green pathways	More evergreen shrubbery to create a natural boundary.	
The Built Landscape	The Council will comment & consider biodiversity benefits on planning applications.  Work with other organisations to enhance biodiversity within the Town.	Protecting habitats		
Increase Community Awareness & Engagement.	Liaise with residents for their views to conserve biodiversity with the Town  Raise awareness of the importance of gardens as habitats for wildlife  Create a tab on the council website for information/photographs/links etc  Encourage local farmers to contribute.  Annual Gardening Competition	Engage Ownership  Promote biodiversity  Encourage wider participation	Community	Website, social media  Website, posters & social media.

<p>Support Community Projects</p>	<p>Support hedge /tree planting in appropriate areas.</p> <p>Work with school to develop young people’s awareness of the environment.</p> <p>Consider events and offer volunteering opportunities to support biodiversity</p> <p>Community Sports Centre</p>	<p>Extending habitats</p> <p>Promote biodiversity</p> <p>Ongoing</p>	<p>250 metres of hedgerow to be planted round the perimeter. Regeneration of the MUGA using existing area</p>	
<p>Colburn Hub Zero Waste</p>	<p>Donations from local retailers for distribution</p>	<p>Zero Waste</p>	<p>Any leftover food donated to animal sanctuaries/ recycled</p>	
<p>St Cuthbert’s Church Colburn</p>	<p>Community Garden</p>	<p>Shrubs, flowers &amp; Vegetables</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	

