

## Annex A to Biodiversity Plan 2019 - 2024

Version 1: Complete April 2021

**Version 2:** To be complete April 2022 **Version 3:** To be complete by April 2023

## University of Suffolk: Biodiversity Action Plan 2019 – 2024

Objective Area	Management Program/Initiative	Details	Target Completion Date	Status
To enhance the quality of habitat biodiversity on the Estates under which the University has management and operational function	MP 1	Assist ERCT in the production of a Woodland Management Plan for UoS woodland compartments,	April 2022	Complete
		Ensure TPO register is complete and up to date,	April 2021	Complete
		Undertake Biodiversity Survey for scheduled species	April 2021	Completed
		Collaborate and support ERCT in applications for funding and wildlife improvement grants	On-going	On-going
		Assist with grant funding for the Passive House planting scheme	April 2023	Ongoing
	MP 2	Amenity Area Arts 1: Wildlife Area     To work with students and interns to design a designated     Wildlife Area on North Campus	Sept 2020	Complete
		Make available funding for plants and landscaping	Dec 2020	Complete
		<ul> <li>Engage student groups in planting activities, edible hedgerow and fruit trees planted</li> </ul>	April 2021	Complete
		Dig pond and secure H&S requirements	April 2022	Complete



	Sow woodland meadow	March 2022	Complete
	<ul> <li>Bug bank creation</li> <li>Fence pond and add additional pond plants</li> </ul>	September 23 September 23	Initiated Initiated
MP 3	Design and identify resource requirement for amenity landscaping with preference for wildlife ecological corridor extension from Brickmakers Wood into North Campus	April 2021	Complete
	<ul> <li>Clear ground and improve soil quality, taking due regard of tree and native healthy bush retention, undertake planting activities. Specify tree recovery or supplemental planting</li> </ul>	April 2022	Complete
	<ul> <li>Plant native blue bell, garlic, cowslip supplemental planting as required</li> </ul>	Annual	On-going
	Install green roof bike store, with integrated bug hotel	April 2022	Complete
	East Building  Project 1  Secure approval and funding for the extension of ecological across campus via the inclusion of a Physic garden into the East Building refurbishment planting scheme	Sept 2021	Complete
	Identify additional tree species for the creation of short corridor to medical centre entrance	Sept 2021	Complete
	<ul> <li>Establish costs and explore funding for tree corridor as identified above</li> </ul>	Sept 2021	Complete
	<ul> <li>Explore viability of small orchard end of long street amenity area.</li> </ul>	April 2022	Complete



		Project 2: Campus Allotment  Identify location for campus staff and student gardening allotment  Outline initial design requirement to support mixed usage (SU area)	April 2021 Sept 2022 April 2022	Complete initiated Initiated
		<ul> <li>Identify project funding and once secure set up working group with student/staff stakeholder</li> <li>Undertake project development with student and staff engagement. Funding dependant</li> </ul>	June 2023	Initiated
	MP 4	Atrium West: Wildlife Opportunity Creation		
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function (cont)		Identify project resource requirements and source funding	April 2020	Complete
		Install swift boxes and call system	Sept 2020	Complete
		Ensuring on-going monitoring	On-going	On-going
		Identify project resource requirements for camera feed	September 2023	Initiated
		Install camera feed (sooner if nesting occurs)	September 2023	Initiated
		Wildflower Meadow  Identify and assess location for wildflower meadow	June 2020	Complete
		Identify project resource requirements and source funding	Aug 2020	Complete
		Undertake ground-works	October 2021	Complete



		<ul> <li>Sow meadow</li> <li>Ensure on-going maintenance schedule adhere</li> <li>Meadow scything with students October annually</li> <li>Baseline survey year 1 June 2022, thereafter biodiversity survey annually with students</li> </ul>	Mar 2022 Annually Annually May/june 2022	Complete Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing
To enhance the quality of habitat biodiversity on the Estates under which the University has management and operational function (cont)	MP 5	James Hehir: Living Roof – Living Lab  Commission greenroof structural and condition survey  Undertake maintenance works  Resource and implement restoration planting project  Undertake annual biodiversity audits  Ensure on-going watering programme when conditions dictate  Maintain condition of nesting box and feeding tray  Upgrade planters outside Cult with due regard to interim species planting  Evaluate areas outside of James Hehir and Atrium for further landscaping opportunities	July 2020  Nov 2020  April 2021  May 2021 thereafter annualy  On-going  On-going  Nov 2021	Complete Complete Complete On-going On-going On-going Complete Complete
To enhance the quality of life and wellbeing for staff and students and expand the student experience, making the		<ul> <li>Liaise with Brickmakers Wood to establish open access days for staff and student visits</li> <li>Promote and communicate benefits of Campus biodiversity</li> </ul>	April 2022  Annually launched august/sept 2022	Initiated  Complete and ongoing



University of Suffolk a desirable place to live, work and study	<ul> <li>Organise and lead on-campus volunteering wildlife session 4x annual</li> <li>April 202</li> <li>July 2022</li> <li>October</li> <li>Feb 2023</li> <li>Annual ti</li> </ul>	Complete Complete
To maintain and create additional Living Lab curriculum and research opportunities as a	Continue to liaise with curriculum and research academia to create participation and research opportunities with biodiversity on campus	ond dipping Complete/ongoing
valuable teaching resource, for undergraduate and postgraduate research projects	Organise and support campus curriculum surveying and monitoring events as appropriate  On-going	g On-going
	Promote and liaise with academics on research possibilities through living labs  On-going	g On-going
	Further design and develop Digitech Smart House sustainable food garden demonstrator with Suffolk New College  October	2022 First stage completed
To further develop partnership links with industry, initiating and	Identify Wildlife Partners to assist in sourcing seed and plant stock for MP3  Sept 202	Completed with Buglife
implementing knowledge exchange	Continue to liaise with Hawk and Owl Trust, Buglife and Suffolk     Bird Groups to ensure appropriate management of target     campus species	g On-going
	Establish relationship with Hedgehog Warden, work with student for bronze silver friendly campus award  Dec 2023	Complete – Award received
	Further develop relationship with SWT and NE on bigger living lab projects and local Wildlife Groups  On-going	On-going
	Work through the SSI, with WA, SCC and EA to identify and support capital and research funding for Wildlife and Ecology based on-campus projects	Initiated



	<ul> <li>Work with students to secure Hedgehog Friendly Campus Silver Award</li> <li>Work with Ipswich Oasis to support planning, design and funding allocation of Town Fund Greener Ipswich improvements</li> </ul>	June 2022  1st Phase Sept 2022	complete Ongoing
To further develop community links and engagements with local schools, charities and wildlife groups, and continue to increase awareness of the natural environment	<ul> <li>Externally promote activities and projects being undertaken within the University</li> </ul>	On-going	On-going
	<ul> <li>Host and lead community group visits to raise awareness of University activities and increase understanding and importance of Urban biodiversity</li> </ul>	On-going	Covid restricted (1 campus tour Nov 2021)
	<ul> <li>Collaborate with UoS marketing and communications to raise awareness of University Wildlife and Ecology activates</li> </ul>	April 2022	On-going
	<ul> <li>Update University website and intranet to signpost and communicate information for Campus Biodiversity initiative and projects</li> </ul>	June 2021	Complete
	<ul> <li>Further refine access to intranet for staff and students as part of the wider estates refresh</li> </ul>	June 2022	Initiated