

BIODIVERSITY – WHAT CAN WE DO?

Please help support wildlife and improve biodiversity in the village. Here are some suggested actions that can be taken by everyone:

- Undertake additional planting to encourage bees, butterflies etc.
- Install bird boxes, bat boxes, and/or insect hotels
- Leave leaf litter and dead vegetation in designated areas, wherever possible, as micro-habitats
- Sympathetically maintain hedging
- Leave some areas of grass unmown
- Encourage the development of hedgehog/small animal sanctuaries and highways with permeable boundaries (please avoid close board fencing)
- Only use environment friendly pesticides, where necessary, and only in ideal weather conditions
- Avoid high levels of lighting to minimise the impact on nocturnal wildlife. Use downward lighting to avoid confusing migrators and nighttime pollinators, and consider reducing the power of security lighting, where possible, with lower intensity, warm colour lighting with motion sensors.