

NATURE RECOVERY: IDEAS FOR ACTION



BUSINESSES

Embedding environmentally friendly practice into your business can benefit biodiversity, generate cost savings, and improve staff well-being.

In Carmarthenshire business extends from the large-scale operations to small-scale enterprises operating from workshops, business parks and homes and the land around them.

Imagine how much attractive your workplace may be if you could hear birdsong, see colourful butterflies and swathes of beautiful flowers, be they wild or planted. Good for your image and good for the well-being of your staff. You can help to do this by using the lawns, flower beds or even the perimeter fencing around your site to enhance your site for wildlife.

A richer biodiversity on your site may also help you to combat climate change. A lawn full of flowers soaks up more atmospheric carbon and heavy rainfall than a lawn of just grass. Adding a few native trees and plants that also attract pollinating insects could also help you to achieve your carbon reduction targets.



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?



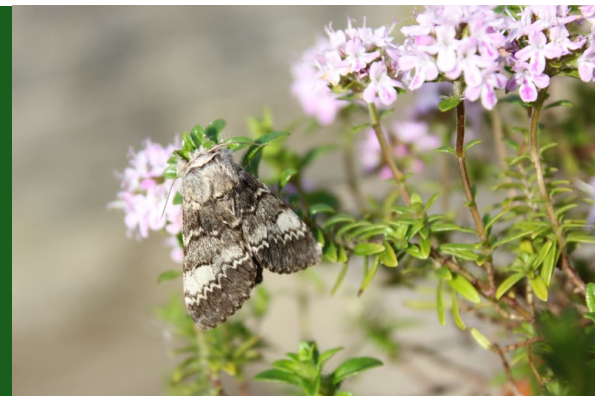
MANAGE

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

