

## Area Board Briefing Note – Local Nature Recovery Strategy

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The Local Nature Recovery Strategy has been progressing with events through March collecting an understanding of what people's priorities are for nature recovery in Wiltshire and what measures they would utilise to achieve those priorities. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

The project group have now moved into the shortlisting phase. In this phase all the information we were given from the survey and events will be merged with information gathered from existing strategies that relate to nature such as river catchment strategies. Having created a master longlist a shortlisting group and a species specialist group will reduce the longlist into a shortlist for each area of Wiltshire. A validation group comprised of people who know their areas well will then check the working and confirm the outcomes.

Once a shortlist is completed, around the end of May, we will start mapping in earnest, using "Geographical information systems" (GIS) programs to model the best locations for those priorities and measures to be located, however as good as the work on this may be, it will be purely data driven and so we need those maps to be "ground truthed", or in other words for people who really know the land to take a look and give us feedback on the suggested areas.

Events to give people more information and gather the needed feedback will comprise of three in person drop-in days, several webinars and an accompanying online survey.

**These events will take place across July** and details regarding their location and times will be sent out via our contacts database so please do sign up to receive notice and your invitations.

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Your views, local knowledge and buy in are critical to not just the building of the LNRS but also its successful delivery. I sincerely hope some of you will be able to make it to our events and I look forward to seeing you there.

