

The Hampshire and Isle of Wight Local Nature Partnership:

advocating nature-based solutions which deliver for people, nature and the economy

The Context for our Work:

- Environmental recovery is an essential for sustainable economic recovery: now is the time to invest in nature's recovery
- **People need nature:** for their physical, mental and spiritual health
- Our communities need green and blue spaces close to where they live and our wildlife needs these places to be better connected and higher quality
- Climate change cannot be ignored and action on carbon, on mitigation and adaptation is needed today
- The government's emerging environmental policy agenda generates opportunities to secure the bigger, better and more joined up landscapes that are



fundamental for the long-term survival of our biodiversity and the wellbeing of Hampshire and Isle of Wight residents and visitors.

- We can achieve so much more by working together, in partnership, and we must collaborate across administrative boundaries
- We can work together in partnership to champion nature recovery across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, engaging the support of businesses and the wider public.





We will facilitate Nature's Recovery by:

•Promoting landscape scale working, developing and implementing exemplar approaches with multiple benefits, such as nature-based solutions, and seeking to embed nature recovery in plans and strategies

•Providing scrutiny, support and challenge for developing Local Nature Recovery Strategies, to ensure that these are truly collaborative and reflect community aspirations, creating buy-in

•Championing **adaptive land management** to tackle key challenges such as climate change and environmental capacity

- Seeking to influence the use of new tools and levers (such as biodiversity net gain and Environmental Land Management) to deliver the Nature Recovery Network across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight
- Articulating how land use, land management and operational change can all **contribute to nature recovery**, and encouraging **investment in nature**



- Collaborating with other Local Nature Partnerships and the South East Nature Partnership to realise shared benefits across boundaries
- Collecting, collating and co-ordinating evidence to support and facilitate delivery of the Nature Recovery Network



We will do this by:

- Collaborating to secure appropriate spatial plans for nature's recovery
- Working to facilitate and enable **delivery of new or better managed semi-natural habitat** in coherent networks
- Encouraging **new woodland planting** or regeneration, with the right tree in the right place
- Working to secure public access to these spaces wherever possible
- Aiming to return protected sites to favourable condition
- Leading by example, promoting land use, land management and operational change that contribute to delivery of this network





The Hampshire and Isle of Wight Local Nature Partnership includes Country Land and Business Association, Environment Agency, Forestry Commission, Forestry England, Hampshire County Council, Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust, Isle of Wight Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, Natural England, New Forest National Park Authority, Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, South Downs National Park Authority and Southern Water.