



Clipstone Parish Council

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Biodiversity Policy

Purpose

Clipstone Parish Council recognises the vital importance of biodiversity and the need to protect and enhance local wildlife and habitats. This policy outlines the Council's commitment to supporting biodiversity in its decisions, land management, and community activities.

Responsibilities

Under the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 and the Environment Act 2021, public authorities, including parish councils, have a duty to conserve and enhance biodiversity.

Policy Objectives

Clipstone Parish Council will:

- Protect and enhance local biodiversity across all land it owns or manages
- Consider biodiversity in all planning consultations and decisions
- Support nature recovery by identifying opportunities to improve habitats and green spaces
- Work in partnership with local groups, community organisations, and residents in supporting biodiversity
- Raise public awareness of biodiversity and encourage community engagement in conservation efforts

Actions

To meet these objectives, the Council will:

- Maintain and enhance council owned and council managed green spaces, verges, and hedgerows to support pollinators and native wildlife
- Avoid the use of harmful chemicals (e.g., pesticides) wherever possible
- Promote the planting of native trees and wildflowers where appropriate
- Ensure biodiversity is considered in maintenance contracts and procurement
- Support local biodiversity initiatives and environmental education



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Monitoring and Review

This policy will be reviewed every three years or sooner if legislation or local priorities change. Progress will be monitored through regular reporting to the Council and consultation with relevant stakeholders.

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