



10 years of the Nottinghamshire Local Biodiversity Action Plan (LBAP)

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History of Biodiversity Action Planning



- Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD -1992)
- UKBAP
- Nott's LBAP
- Regional Biodiversity Partnership (RBP)



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Evolution of the LBAP document

- Creation of document with initial HAPs & SAPs, SoCC list (1998)
- Production of a suite of Action Plans including those local to Notts
- Setting local SMART targets (2006)
- Current revision's to the HAPs
- Future updating of the LBAP document (brigading of Species, updating SAPs, Socc List update).



Nottingham Autumn Crocus



Current Suite of Habitat Action Plans

Arable Field Margins	Marsh & Swamp
Canals	Mixed Ash Dominated Woodland
Ditches	Oak-Birch Woodland
Eutrophic & Mesotrophic Standing Water (Including Ponds)	Open Mosaic Habitat on Previously Developed Land
Hedgerows	Planted Coniferous Woodland
Lowland Calcareous Grassland	Reedbeds
Lowland Dry Acid Grassland	Rivers & Streams
Lowland Fen	Traditional Orchards
Lowland Heathland	Urban Habitats
Lowland Neutral Grassland	Wet Woodland
Lowland Wet Grassland	Wood Pasture & Parkland

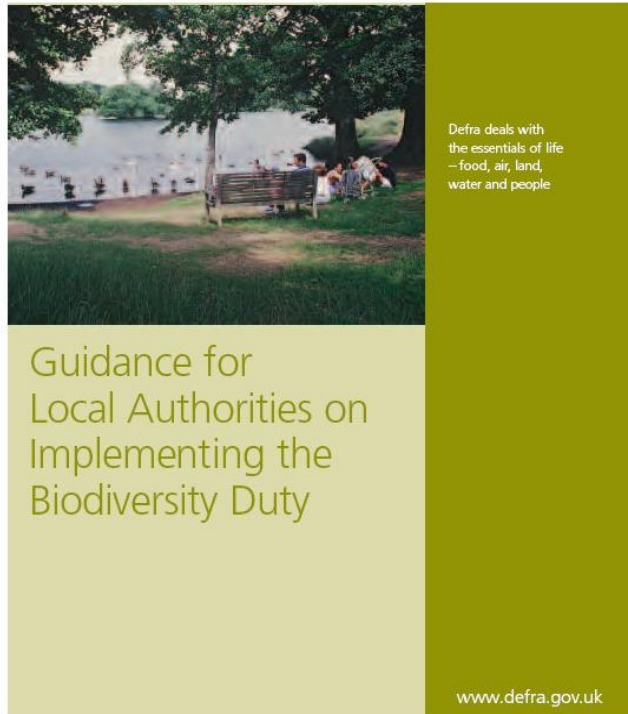


Current Suite of Species Action Plans

Atlantic Salmon	Hazel Pot Beetle
Barn Owl	Nightjar
Bats	Nottingham Spring and Autumn Crocus
Black Poplar	Otter
Depford Pink	Water Vole
Dingy/Grizzled Skipper	White Clawed Crayfish
Harvest Mouse	



How have things changed over the last 10 years



Legislation

- CROW Act 2000 (strengthened SSSI legislation)
- NERC Duty 2006
- Amendments to the Habitats Regs



How have things changed over the last 10 years

Planning

- Planning Policy & Development Control Work (NWT screen 1,000's planning applications each year)
- PPS9 national planning policy with regards to Biodiversity
- Planning Gain - Langford Lowfields (however there have still been losses)
- Training events for planners
- Green Infrastructure



Restoration Work at Shirebrook



How have things changed over the last 10 years



Teversal Trails - SSSI, SINC and LNR

Designated Sites

- SSSI's
- SINC's - good local sites partnership
- Creation of LNR's



How have things changed over the last 10 years



Hedge laying at Rushcliffe Country Park

Farming & Land Management

- Environmental Stewardship
- Woodland Grant Schemes (ewgs)
- LA land – better awareness of site management needs (blue butterfly scheme)
- Landowner advice



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Management for Species

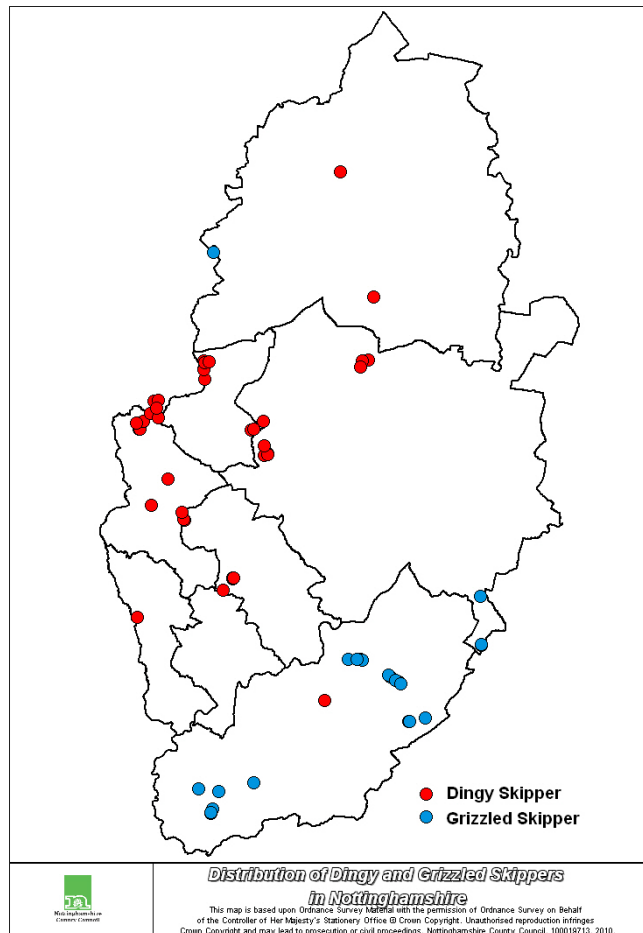
- Brownfield Butterflies Project (Habitat improvements for skippers)
- Barn Owl Box Projects
- Habitat enhancements for water vole
- Farmland Bird initiatives



Corn Bunting



How have things changed over the last 10 years



Surveys & Awareness Raising

- Brown Hare, Primula sp & Japanese Knotweed
- Butterfly Conservations Skipper Monitoring Project
- Community Action for Wildlife
- Priority Habitats & Species
- Bioblitz
- Friends of Groups



What is happening now

Targets

- We know work on many of our habitats and species has been successful
- We have data within the partnership for many of our HAPs and SAPs but each partner manages this in different ways
- Problem with reporting – BARS and local collection of data



Speedy the Barn Owl



What is happening now

Example: Reedbed

- Currently there are approximately 40-50 hectares of Reedbed currently in Nott's
- Over 35 hectares of this has been created since 2005
- By the end of 2010 we will not meet our targets for creation – Why?

SMART targets taken from the
Reedbed Habitat Action Plan

Target	2005 Baseline	2010 Target	2015 Target
Maintain Extent of Existing Reedbed	10 Ha	10Ha	210Ha
Restore/Expand the Reedbed resource	-	200Ha	200Ha



How the partnership is moving forwards



- Mapping and data collection (baseline, targets and opportunities)
- Landscape Scale Conservation
- Improved Annual Reporting



Healthy Partnership

- Well attended meetings
- Well attended annual forum event (BigBAG)
- Interest in partnership projects and events and the LBAP



Nott's BAG Annual Forum Event 2008 - Bramcote

