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Our plan for nature recovery

In local areas in Surrey

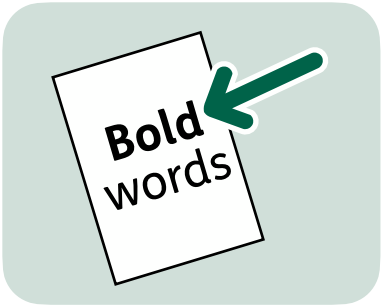


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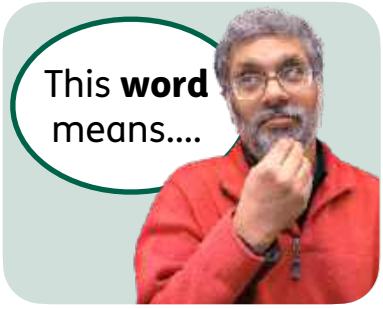
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About this booklet

This booklet is from Surrey County Council.



It is an Easy Read copy of our plan for **nature recovery** in local areas in Surrey.

Nature recovery means helping nature get better.

This booklet includes:



- More information about nature recovery.



- Our plan for how we will help nature recovery in Surrey.

About nature recovery



Nature recovery means helping nature get better.

When we say nature, we include:



- Land and water.



- Wild animals.



- Plants, like trees and flowers.

We can help nature get better by:



- Fixing damaged places of nature, like rivers and forests.



- Protecting nature.



- Making land better for nature, so that it can grow more easily.



Everyone can help with nature recovery.



For example, you could plant flowers in your garden for bees.

When nature is healthy, it is good for:



- Our health.



- Our homes.



- The planet.

Nature in Surrey

Surrey has many different places where nature lives:



- Woodlands and parks.



- Grasslands and heathlands.



- Farmland.



- Rivers and wetlands.



- Towns and villages.



But nature in Surrey is in trouble.



Some animals and plants are disappearing.

This can be because of:



- People and their pets disturbing places where nature lives.



- Building too many new buildings and roads.



- Diseases that affect plants and animals.

Plants and animals can also be disappearing because of:



- Farms using too many chemicals.



- Not taking care of land.



- Not having enough money to help nature recovery.

Our plan



We have worked with other groups and the government to write our plan.



Our plan is for everyone who works on the land in Surrey and everyone who cares about nature.

Our plan will help:



- Us decide how to spend money on nature recovery.



- Farmers look after nature.



- Bring back more animals and plants.

Our plan will also help:



- Other councils know how to protect nature.



- People to use land in a better way.



- Local groups that protect nature get more money to do their work.



- Slow down **pollution** and help with the effects of flooding.

  Pollution is dirty chemicals in the air that harm the space around us.



- Make areas of nature bigger and better.

But our plan cannot:



- Force people who own land to change.



- Stop buildings from being built.



- Make changes to places that are protected.

We plan to:



- Support people to take care of their gardens in a way that helps nature.



- Take care of land using ways that are good for nature, like using animals that eat grass instead of lawn mowers.



- Replace plants that are harmful with plants that belong in the area.



- Make new homes for nature, like ponds and wildflower areas.



- Control animals that damage nature.

We also plan to:



- Keep public spaces clean and safe.



- Save water.



- Help people who work on the land know how to support and protect nature.



There are laws in the UK that support our plan.

Find out more



You can look at our full plan here:

www.surreynaturerecovery.commonplace.is/



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