

Peterborough City Councils Biodiversity Strategy

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Update of the Strategy

- 2004 Biodiversity Strategy.
- Biodiversity Duty Brought in by Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006.
- Report to Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel January 2008.
- Working group of Councillors and Officers
- Internal and external consultation.



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Element	Annual Costs	Single/One off costs	Responsible
Changes in Management Practices to road verges to enhance County Wildlife Sites, reflect designation of new sites and create habitat links.	£8798	N/A	Highways/ Peterborough City Services
Secure management of the Boardwalks Local Nature Reserve by a body such as the Wildlife Trust, Froglife or Nene Park Trust.	£4000	N/A	Peterborough City Services
Chemical Treatment of Japanese Knotweed at the Boardwalks Local Nature Reserve	N/A	£600	Peterborough City Services
Match funding to make 3 bids for up to £98,000 of external funding. This is for works to Local Nature Reserves and Sites of Special Scientific Interest.	N/A	£12000	Peterborough City Services
Signage for County Wildlife Site Road Verges including new sites and extensions	N/A	£3410	Highways/ Peterborough City Services
Totals	£12,798	£16,010	£28,808

Recommendation that additional resources considered during the development of the Council Budget for 2010/11 alongside other budgetary pressures.



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- E: Policy for works in the bird nesting season



Next steps?

- Discussion by the Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee
- Referral to Cabinet for endorsement prior to consideration by full Council
- Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee receives annual progress reports against the updated strategy.



