

## Natural Environment

"We want a high quality natural environment that is protected and enhanced"

Initiative	Action	Resources	Partners/supporters
<b>NE1</b> Adapt to the likely impact of climate change on trees and woodland in East of England.	<b>NE1a</b> Disseminate latest research on climate change in East of England.	<b>NE1a</b> Partnership funding for: • Communication media	<b>NE1a</b> • Sustainable Development Round Table • Climate Change Unit – University of East Anglia • East England Development Agency • English Nature • Forestry Commission • Government Office for the East of England • Royal Forestry Society
	<b>NE1b</b> Review guidance on most suitable tree and shrub species to plant.	<b>NE1b</b> Partnership funding for: • Review project • Communication media	<b>NE1b</b> • Forestry Commission • Country Land & Business Association • English Nature • Forestry & Timber Association • Wildlife Trusts
	<b>NE1c</b> Review landscape guidance in light of climate change predictions.	<b>NE1c</b> Partnership funding for: • Review project • Communication media	<b>NE1c</b> • Local Authorities • Anglian Woodland Project • Country Land & Business Association • Countryside Agency • Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs • English Nature • Forestry & Timber Association • Forestry Commission • National Farmers' Union • Woodland Trust
<b>NE2</b> Promote woodland planting and management to help protect other natural resources as part of integrated sustainable land management.	<b>NE2a</b> Develop criteria to identify where floodplain woodland establishment is acceptable, appropriate and in keeping with the wildlife interest, landscape character and flood defence requirements	<b>NE2a</b> Partnership funding for: • Review project • Communication media	<b>NE2a</b> • Environment Agency • Broads Authority • Country Land & Business Association • Campaign for the Protection of Rural England • Countryside Agency • Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs • English Nature • Forestry Commission Forestry & Timber Association • National Farmers' Union • National Soils Research Institute
	<b>NE2b</b> Prepare opportunity and constraints maps for the region to determine areas where woodland planting should be promoted or resisted on the grounds of impact on soil quality, water quality and water quantity.	<b>NE2b</b> Partnership funding for: • GIS • Project staff or consultants • Communications media.	<b>NE2b</b> • Forestry Commission • Environment Agency • Broads Authority • Countryside Agency • Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs • East England Development Agency • English Nature • Local Authorities • National Soils Research Institute
	<b>NE2c</b> Target woodland planting on those areas defined in the mapping exercise.	<b>NE2c</b> Targeted grant funding for: • On site work Partnership funding for: • Proactive advice	<b>NE2c</b> • Forestry Commission • Anglian Woodland Project • Country Land & Business Association • Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs • Forestry & Timber Association • Woodland owners/managers
<b>NE3</b> Promote the establishment and management of woodland within an integrated functional landscape to protect the historic environment and enhance biodiversity.	<b>NE3a</b> Identify priority areas for both restoration and expansion of semi-natural woodland.	<b>NE3a</b> Partnership funding for: • Project staff or consultant • Proactive advice	<b>NE3a</b> • Forestry Commission • Bedfordshire Ancient Woodland Project • Butterfly Conservation • Campaign for the Protection of Rural England • Centre for Environment & Rural Affairs • English Nature • Higher Education Institutions • Local Authorities • National Trust • Wildlife Trusts • Woodland owners/managers • Woodland Trust
	<b>NE3b</b> Identify and communicate actual and potential sites for heathland re-creation and wet woodland restoration.	<b>NE3b</b> Partnership funding for: • Project staff or consultant • Proactive advice • Communication media	<b>NE3b</b> • English Nature • Forestry Commission • Broads Authority • Centre for Environment & Rural Affairs • Countryside Agency • East of England Development Agency • Environment Agency • Government Office for the East of England • Greensand Trust • Higher Education Institutions • Local Authorities • RSPB • Wildlife Trusts • National Trust
	<b>NE3c</b> Target woodland management and establishment at those areas identified in these mapping processes.	<b>NE3c</b> Targeted grant funding for: • On site work Partnership funding for: • Proactive advice	<b>NE3c</b> • Forestry Commission • English Nature • Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs • Greensand Trust
	<b>NE3d</b> Promote base surveys and management plans to protect and enhance the natural and historic environment of woodlands.	<b>NE3d</b> Targeted grant funding for: • Plan preparation	<b>NE3d</b> • Forestry Commission • Anglian Woodland Project • Association of Local Government Archaeological Officers • Bedfordshire Ancient Woodland Project • Centre for Environment & Rural Affairs • Chiltern Woodland Project • Country Land & Business Association • English Heritage • English Nature • Farming & Wildlife Advisory Group • Forestry & Timber Association • Higher Education Institutions • Royal Forestry Society • Woodland owners/managers
	<b>NE3e</b> Promote management activity in the region's woodland for biodiversity.	<b>NE3e</b> Targeted grant funding for: • On site work Partnership funding for: • Proactive advice	<b>NE3e</b> • Forestry Commission • Anglian Woodland Project • Bedfordshire Ancient Woodland Project • Biodiversity Forum • British Trust for Ornithology • Butterfly Conservation • Chiltern Woodland Project • Country Land & Business Association • English Nature • Forestry & Timber Association • National Trust • Royal Forestry Society • Wildlife Trusts • Woodland owners/managers • Woodland Trust
	<b>NE3f</b> Encourage effective deer management at the landscape scale.	<b>NE3f</b> Partnership funding for: • Proactive advice • Training • Support of Deer Management Groups	<b>NE3f</b> • Forestry Commission • Bedfordshire Ancient Woodland Project • Country Land & Business Association • Deer Initiative • Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs • English Nature • Forestry & Timber Association • Higher Education Institutions • National Farmers' Union • National Trust • Royal Forestry Society • Wildlife Trusts • Woodland owners/managers • Woodland Trust

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<b>NE4</b> Help deliver Habitat Action Plans and Species Action Plans particularly through the management of native or ancient woodland, wood-pasture and veteran trees.	<b>NE4a</b> Integrate national and local woodland Biodiversity Action Plans.		<b>NE4a</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● East of England Biodiversity Forum</li> </ul>		
	<b>NE4b</b> Encourage County Biological Records Centres to maintain woodland species records in form that is readily available and understandable to woodland owners.		<b>NE4b</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● East of England Biodiversity Forum</li> <li>● Bedfordshire Ancient Woodland Project</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● British Trust for Ornithology</li> <li>● County Biological Records Centres</li> <li>● English Nature</li> <li>● Environment Agency</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Local Authorities</li> <li>● RSPB</li> <li>● Wildlife Trusts</li> </ul>
	<b>NE4c</b> Promote the restoration of wood-pasture and of Plantation on Ancient Woodland Sites to semi-natural woodland.	<b>NE4c</b> Targeted grant funding for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On site work</li> </ul> Partnership funding for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proactive advice</li> </ul>	<b>NE4c</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Forestry Commission</li> <li>● Anglian Woodland Project</li> <li>● Bedfordshire Ancient Woodland Project</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Chiltern Woodland Project</li> <li>● Country Land &amp; Business Association</li> <li>● English Heritage</li> <li>● English Nature</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Forestry &amp; Timber Association</li> <li>● National Trust</li> <li>● Woodland owners/managers</li> <li>● Woodland Trust</li> </ul>
	<b>NE4d</b> Improve the condition and quality of woodland Special Areas of Conservation, Sites of Special Scientific Interest, nature reserves and historic landscapes.	<b>NE4d</b> Targeted grant funding for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On site work</li> </ul>	<b>NE4d</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● English Nature</li> <li>● Bedfordshire Ancient Woodland Project</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Country Land &amp; Business Association</li> <li>● English Heritage</li> <li>● Forestry &amp; Timber Association</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Forestry Commission</li> <li>● Woodland owners/managers</li> <li>● Wildlife Trusts</li> </ul>