

Biodiversity - how you can help

Here are some tips on how you can help support biodiversity.

In the garden

- Get tips from [London Wildlife Trust](#) and [Buglife](#) on how to encourage wildlife in your garden
- Help wildlife during periods of drought or hard winters by providing water, food and shelter
- Plant native trees and wild flowers
- Get tips from [Froglife](#) on how to create a wildlife pond
- Recycle organic materials including unwanted plants by making a compost heap
- Avoid using peat and try to use safe natural alternatives to herbicides and pesticides
- Visit demonstration gardens at [Hall Place](#) for inspiration

At school and work

- Create wildlife habitats in schools, colleges and places of work
- Put up nest boxes for birds and bats
- Pick up litter which is dangerous to wildlife, such as cans, bottles, plastic and fishing line
- Dispose of harmful chemicals safely at Bexley's recycling centres

Work with others

- Support and join wildlife conservation groups
- Get out and do some practical conservation work, visit [North West Kent Countryside Partnership](#) and [Thames21](#) for environmental volunteering opportunities

Keep your eyes open

- Report any dangers to habitats and wildlife to the Council as soon as you can
- Keep records of the wildlife you see and share them with [Greenspace Information for Greater London](#)
- Take part in organised survey activities such as garden birdwatches, fungal forays, butterfly hunts and pond dipping