

# Oakington and Westwick Nature Recovery Plan

Things you can do in your garden to help wildlife

Pollinators e.g. bees, flies, butterflies	All wildlife		Caring for resources	For your own well-being
Leave some grass un-cut e.g. under trees, in corners to encourage wildflowers and leaf growth for caterpillars.	Leave holes in fences and hedges so hedgehogs can move around	Install bat and bird boxes and bird feeders	Use water butts to collect rain from roofs	Work with nature: walk in nature
		Retain some ivy for cover and pollen (November when not much else about)	Compost garden and kitchen waste. Some wildlife hibernate in compost heaps	
Reduce pesticide use to encourage natural predators like hoverflies (eat greenfly) or frogs (eat slugs)	Create a pond for aquatic wildlife and for drinking e.g. birds (vital in hot weather)	Create piles of logs and leaves to encourage invertebrates and overwintering amphibians	Cultivate soil gently to preserve organic matter and soil invertebrates	Monitor wildlife year on year. Use iRecord or RSPB /Butterfly Conservation programmes

