NEWICK
PARISH COUNCIL

BIODIVERSITY POLICY

1. Habitat Restoration:

a. Identify key habitats in the parish.
b. Develop a plan for the restoration of degraded habitats, focusing on native species.

2. Wildlife Conservation:

a. Conduct a biodiversity survey to identify important wildlife species
b. Implement measures to protect and enhance habitats for priority species
c. Encourage the installation of bird and bat boxes in appropriate locations.

3. Community Engagement:

a. Organize events to raise awareness about local biodiversity.
b. Establish a volunteer program for community members to participate in conservation initiatives.
c. Collaborate with schools to integrate biodiversity education into the curriculum.

4. Green Infrastructure:

a. Advocate for the inclusion of green spaces in urban planning.
b. Explore opportunities for creating wildlife corridors to connect fragmented habitats.
c. Integrate biodiversity considerations into any future infrastructure projects.

5. Sustainable Practices:

a. Encourage businesses and residents to adopt sustainable practices, such as water and energy conservation.
b. Provide resources and information on eco-friendly gardening and landscaping.
c. Consider implementing incentives for environmentally conscious practices.

6. Monitoring and Reporting:

a. Establish a system for regular monitoring and reporting of biodiversity indicators.
b. Share progress and results with the community through newsletters, social media, and public meetings.
c. Use collected data to adapt and refine the biodiversity plan over time.

7**. Collaboration**:

a. Collaborate with neighbouring councils, environmental organizations, and government agencies.
b. Seek funding opportunities for biodiversity projects from external sources.
c. Foster partnerships to amplify the impact of conservation initiatives.

These policies provide a framework for Newick Parish Council's commitment to preserving and enhancing the biodiversity of the local environment.

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