

Bedfordshire GIC data survey

Thank you for agreeing to complete the BRMC survey designed to identify and understand the needs of environmental information users. The survey is being conducted on behalf of the Bedfordshire Green Infrastructure Consortium as part of the Local Nature Partnership capacity building project, financially supported by Defra and Natural England.

All information will be treated in confidence and will not be passed on to any third party, however by submitting this form you agree to your answers being used to inform a summary of the results of the survey that will be published in a report to partners.

1. Please tell us a little bit about yourself:

Job sector

Your job sector

2. Please tell us who you work for (organisation).

3. Do you currently use biodiversity/environmental information?

- Yes No

4. Which of the following types of environmental information do you use routinely?

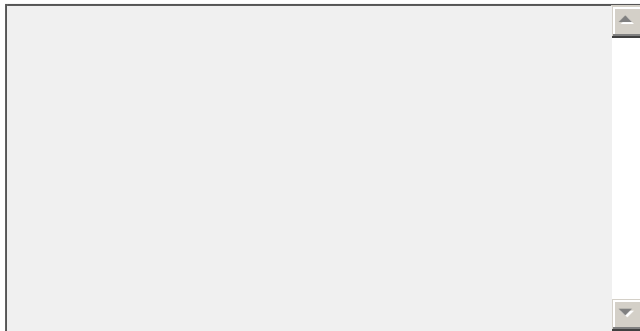
Please tick all that apply.

- Species records (i.e. what, where and when seen).
- Designated wildlife sites
- Designated geological sites
- Habitats
- Open space and publicly accessible wildlife sites
- Air quality
- Water related (e.g. flood map, water quality, water abstraction)
- Rights of way
- Agricultural schemes (e.g. HLS, Woodland Grants)
- Soils and geology
- Ancient and veteran trees and/or tree preservation orders
- Other environmental datasets not listed above (please specify)

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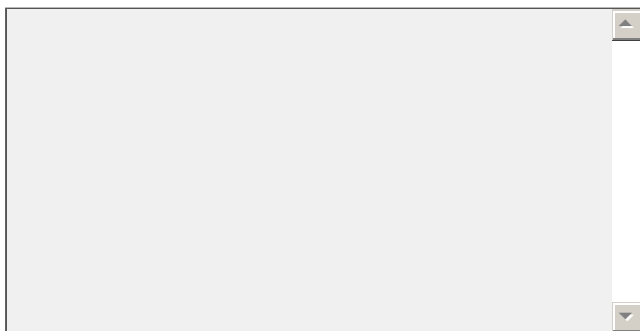
5. What is the main reason that you don't currently use biodiversity/environmental information?

- It's not in a format I can use
- I don't have access
- I don't know how to use such data
- Cost
- Copyright issues
- It's not required for my role
- I don't know where to obtain such data
- It's not a priority for my organisation
- They are at the wrong scale or the resolution is too low
- Other reason (please specify)

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6. Are the datasets provided to you (Please tick all that apply):

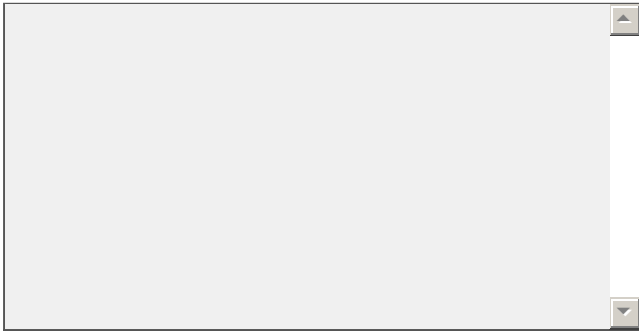
- Easy to use?
- In the correct format for you to use?
- Easy to understand?
- Up to date?
- Provided with sufficient contextual information or 'metadata'?
- Provided quickly enough?
- If not, please explain why:

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7. Please tell us where you obtain your environmental/biodiversity data from (please tick all that apply).

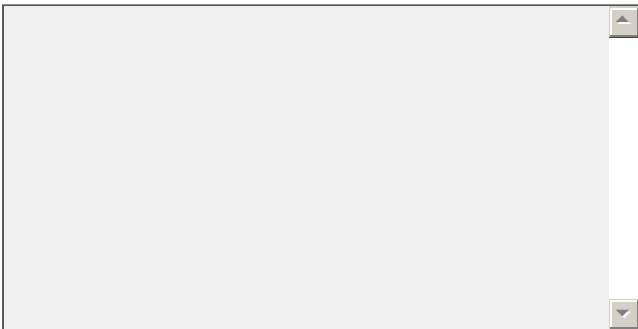
- The Biodiversity Recording and Monitoring Centre (BRMC)
- Natural England (e.g. Magic)
- Environment Agency
- Local Authority
- The National Biodiversity Network Gateway
- Others (please specify)

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8. Most of the BRMC's species data has been uploaded to the National Biodiversity Network (NBN) Gateway (data.nbn.org.uk). This web site allows you to explore and download UK biodiversity data. How often do you access data in this way?

- I have never used the NBN Gateway
- I use it occasionally
- I use it frequently (once a month or more)

I would use it more often if (please specify):

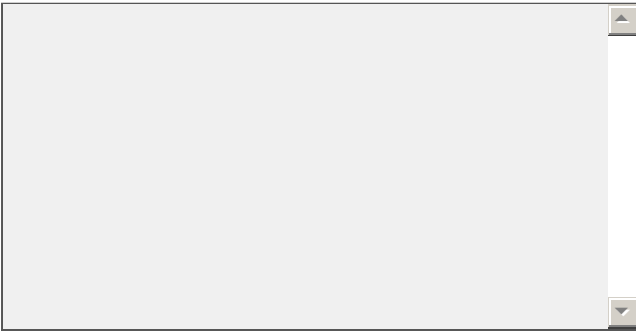
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9. Have you used the 'Bedslife' website (www.bedslife.org.uk) which contains information about nature and wildlife in Bedfordshire & Luton and includes information about the Biodiversity Action Plan with downloadable reports and publications?

- I have never used the 'Bedslife' website
- I use it occasionally
- I use it frequently (once a month or more)

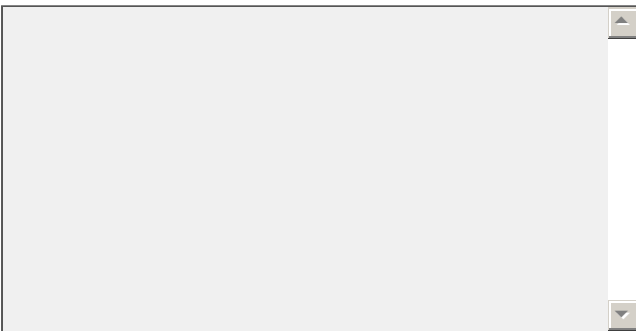
I would like to see the following improvements:



10. Have you used the BRMC's website (www.bedsbionet.org.uk) which contains information about species, habitats and designated sites across Bedfordshire & Luton and how to gain access to this information?

- I have never used the BRMC's website
- I use it occasionally
- I use it frequently (once a month or more)

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11. The BRMC offers access to data via our website through the 'Partner Pages' to those who support the BRMC financially or 'in kind'. Information available here includes site boundaries, site citations, habitat boundaries and access to NBN 'web services' which enables the user to search for species information within a user specified radius.

Please tell us whether you knew about this service.

- I didn't know about this service until responding to this survey but am likely to use it in the future
- I didn't know about this service until responding to this survey and am unlikely to use it in the future
- I use this service and find it very useful
- I don't need to use this service
- I use this service but would like to see improvements (please specify)

12. The BRMC provides a data search service providing information about statutory and non statutory sites, and protected, notable and other species data. Have you used this service?

- Yes
- No

13. If you don't use or haven't used the data search service is this because:

- I didn't know about this service until responding to this survey but am likely to use it in the future
- I didn't know about this service until responding to this survey and am unlikely to use it
- I don't need to use this service
- Cost
- Other reason (please specify)

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14. Please tell us whether the data search service meets your requirements

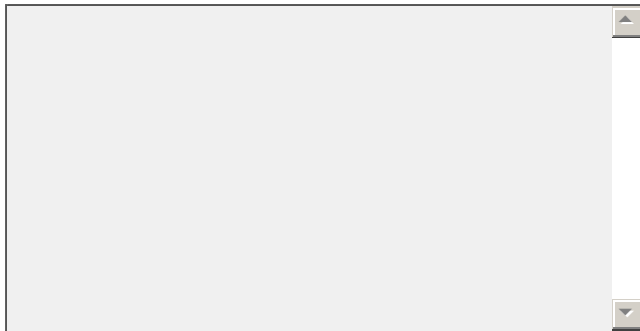
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
The service provides the information I need	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The service is quick and efficient	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The request form is clear and easy to complete	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am likley to use this service in the future	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The service offers value for money	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Any additional comment about this service

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15. Which of the following types of environmental information would you like to be able to use that you DON'T currently? Please tick all that apply.

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16. What is the main reason why you don't use any of the datasets that you would like to use?

- Cost
- I don't have access
- They're not in a format I can use
- I don't know where to get this data from
- I wasn't aware these data existed until completing this survey
- They are at the wrong scale or the resolution is too low
- Other reason (please specify)

17. Would any of the following datasets held by the BRMC be useful for you to access?

Please tick all that apply:

- Species records (i.e. what, where and when seen).
- Boundaries and citations for County Wildlife Sites, Local Geological Sites, Accessible Wildlife Sites and Roadside Nature Reserves.
- Habitat maps.
- Green Infrastructure maps (assets, opportunities for improving, protecting & enhancing biodiversity, landscape, historic environment, routes and greenspace).
- None of the above.

Please specify any other information/data that would be useful:

18. Is there anyone else in your organisation that uses biodiversity/environmental information that may be happy to answer the survey?

- Yes
- No

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19. The BRMC would be very grateful if you could leave some contact details so that we can get back to you.

Are you happy to provide contact details?

- Yes No

20. Is there any training or information that would help you to use or consider using environmental data? Please tick all that apply.

- Help with the interpretation of data
- Technical skills training (e.g. Geographical Information Systems)
- Information about the laws relating to wildlife protection
- Other (please specify)

21. Please tell us why the cost of biodiversity/environmental information is an issue:

- It is not value for money.
- Insufficient budget for this type of information.
- No budget for this type of information.
- Other (please specify)

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22. Please tell us which format/s would make the information more useable. Please tick all that apply.

- In paper format (e.g. printed maps or spreadsheets)
- In a different format for use in a Geographical Information System
- More data available online
- Other (please specify)

23. Your personal data will be processed in compliance with the Data Protection Act and we will not pass your personal details on to other organisations.

Name:	<input type="text"/>
Organisation:	<input type="text"/>
Address 1:	<input type="text"/>
Address 2:	<input type="text"/>
City/Town:	<input type="text"/>
County:	<input type="text"/>
Post Code:	<input type="text"/>
Email Address:	<input type="text"/>
Phone Number:	<input type="text"/>

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24. If you would like to receive a copy of the summary report resulting from this survey please complete your contact details below.

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**If you have any queries regarding this survey please contact the BRMC:
brmc@bedsbionet.org.uk**

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Address 1:	<input type="text"/>
Address 2:	<input type="text"/>
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