

BEESTON REGIS PARISH COUNCIL

BIODIVERSITY POLICY

Section 102 of the Environment Act 2021,(the Act) imposes a general duty on Local Authorities, Town, and Parish councils to conserve and enhance biodiversity through the proper exercise of its functions. Beeston Regis Parish Council has duly considered its responsibilities under the Act with particular regard to how they relate to the parish as recorded under Item 10 of the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8th November 2023, and have adopted the following policy and plan and responsibilities imposed by the Act will be taken into account at all meetings of the council.

The Council will, when acting as a consultee, give due regard to the general objective of conserving and enhancing biodiversity and will respond appropriately as if the matter was an exercisable function of the Council.

POLICY and PLAN:

The Parish Council will, within the proper exercise of its functions, to further the objective of the Act:

- 1) Manage the property owned by the Council known as Daisy Green using such practises as will conserve and enhance biodiversity.
- 2) Manage the street lighting, street furniture and similar assets owned by the Council using such practises as will conserve and enhance biodiversity.
- 3) Manage the works devolved to the Council by the Norfolk County Council in respect of Grass Cutting and Footpaths using such practises as will conserve and enhance biodiversity.

This policy and plan was adopted on10/1/24..... (minute reference.....10(b).....) and will be reviewed every two years.