

BFG Action List

Date 03-Jul-24

Key Priorities for period to 31 Mar 2025
 Completed

GENERAL		Who	When	Status / Notes
Budget		Lead: RC		
1	Compile 3yr budget (+ BFG Review)	RC (JG)	Aug-24	
2	WPC approval of 3yr budget Sep/Oct 2024	RC (JG)	Oct-24	Target: Present proposal in Sep'24 WPC Meeting, targetting approval in Octy'24 WPC meeting
3	Investigate funding options: - Biodiversity Net Gain - Rob will investigate - Approval to seek grant from the Kevin Deanus? fund - for gates/fencing and signage - Other?	RC WPC		to be further discussed
4	Investigate commercial options for timber/wood product			to be further discussed

HEALY'S WOOD		Who	When	Status / Notes
Woodland Mgmt Plan		Lead: JG		
1	Prepare WMP (+ BFG Review)	JG		Done
2	WPC Approval	JG & RC	11-Jul-24	
3	Submit to FC for Approval	WPC	18-Jul-24	Need approval by 30 Sep to support start of tree works

Footpaths / Access Routes		Who	When	Status / Notes
		Lead: NS		
1	Barnett Hill hotel access / boundary - confirm use of footpaths (done) - discuss replacement of boundary fence & new gate	SL		
2	Finalise design & routes of footpaths and access tracks	BFG	30-Sep-24	
3	Construction of Footpaths & Access Tracks - Tree-felling where necessary to widen paths - Organise stump-grinding	JG, RC	31-Mar-25	
4	Vegetation clearance, strimming			Some areas need doing soon?

Thinning		Who	When	Status / Notes
		Lead:		
1	Organise Beech tree monolithing by contractor	WPC	31-Dec-24	Felled wood to be retained on site. Location tbc.
2	Conduct wildlife surveys prior to major works	RC	30-Sep-24	
3	Chainsaw training - RC & JG		11-Jul-24	RC & JG attending small tree felling course 8-11 Jul
4	Confirm if Merrist Wood interested to use as training site	JG	30-Sep-24	MW invited to view site
5	Identify & prioritise workscope for Oct'24 - Mar'25 period	JG, RC	30-Sep-24	Agreed to prioritise tree removal needed for paths, access routes, then to create Chinhurst view

Coppicing		Who	When	Status / Notes
		Lead:		
1	Determine coppicing programme. & first year coppicing area.	JG, RC	30-Sep-24	
2	Organise WEAG coppicing event(s) Oct'24-Mar'25		Oct-24	

Dead hedging		Who	When	Status / Notes
		Lead:		
1	Organise WEAG dead hedge building event (s)		Oct-24	Use material from coppicing to make poles and for filler

Chinhurst Hill View		Who	When	Status / Notes
		Lead:		
1	Remove line of trees to create view		31-Mar-25	Start only once work on paths is completed
2	Install bench			Only once view has been created?

Glade / Rides		Lead: JG		
1	Create areas of permanent open space		31-Dec-25	Upper, east section of woodland appears most suitable location, but to be further assessed. Will involve significant removal of trees.

BARNETT FIELDS		Who	When	Status / Notes
Field Maintenance / Paths		Lead:		
1	Ragwort Removal		05-Jul-24	Next WEAG event 21 Jul
2	Mowing		31-Oct-24	Drunken' Mowing of upper field to be discussed with contractor
3	Grazing			To be further discussed
4	Wildflower Meadow (lower field)			No immediate action planned
New Hedging		Lead:		
	Barnett Fields Upper Field, North Edge (130m): - Order 420 free saplings from WT (Done, delivery Nov) & source tree guards, stakes			
1	- Clear existing vegetation & plant saplings (WEAG events)		31-Dec-24	
	Barnett Fields Upper Field, East Edge with woodland (230m):			
2	- Investigate sourcing 1000 FOC whips (including planting?)	BK	31-Dec-24	
Tree Planting		Lead:		
1	Select tree species and locations			To be further discussed
Pond		Lead:		
1	Initial assessment of viability	AS (RC)	30-Sep-24	Professional advice being sought. Conduct soil sampling.
Fencing / Gates		Lead: RC		
1	Confirm number and locations of gates			
2	Install fencing to protect new hedge when planted (east edge of upper field)		31-Mar-23	Opportunity to use own timber?
Orchard		Lead:		
				To be further discussed
Picnic Area		Lead:		
1	Agree location of picnic area			Currently planned SE corner of upper field
2	Source picnic table			Funding from Village Show
Signage		Lead:		
1	Agree no. & location of signs			Two Signs planned - at the entrances from Barnett Lane
2	Design & Source signs			