

Title of relevant Strategy, Plan, Policy, Guidance, Mapping, Other Document	Internal / External document	Strategy, Plan, Policy, Guidance, Mapping, Other Document	Objective	Action	Responsible Parties for Delivery	Deadline	Milestone/s	Means of measurement (where relevant)
HCC Sustainable Hertfordshire Strategy 2022	Internal	N/A	Delivering BNG on Local authority owned / managed land	Identify suitable areas of LA owned / managed land. Select short list of applicable sites to add to BNG Site Matching Service.	Resources, Sustainable Hertfordshire, CRoW, LEADs	Mar-30	Annual target or target dependent on funding.	Number of trees planted
WHBC - Biodiversity Net Gain Guidance Note	Internal	Guidance	Update guidance following the adoption of the Local Plan and the introduction of mandatory BNG	1. Draft to Assistant Director/Exec Member 2. Exec Member Decision Notice 3. Publish on WHBC website	WHBC - Local Planning Authority	As soon as possible within existing resources after adoption of LP and introduction of mandatory BNG	Update of guidance note agreed and published	Updated guidance available on the WHBC website
WHBC - Biodiversity Net Gain Guidance Note	Internal	Guidance	Report changes to the Guidance Note to CPPP by 1 March 2024, allowing time for the government to produce outstanding guidance, and for the GN to reflect that.	Report updates to CPPP	WHBC - Local Planning Authority	CPPP 15 February 2024	The government has delayed the introduction of mandatory BNG until January 2024 (date tbc). This may affect reporting to CPPP in February 2024	Report to CPPP
Policy SADM 16 of the Welwyn Hatfield Local Plan 2016-2036	Internal	Policy	To secure the delivery of BNG for all relevant development	Review of Policy SADM 16 including the consideration of a 'local first' / proximity principle	WHBC - Local Planning Authority	In accordance with LP review timetable	Review of the Local Plan to commence within one year of adoption (by Oct 2024)	Policy reviewed
Welwyn Hatfield Local Plan Review	Internal	Plan	A review of the adopted Local Plan	Consider undertaking a 'Call for Biodiversity/Habitat' sites as part of the evidence gathering for the Local Plan Review	WHBC - Local Planning Authority	In accordance with LP review programme	TBC as part of the LP review programme	Consideration complete/Call for Sites undertaken
Tree and Woodland Strategy 2023-2028	Internal	Policy	To be updated and adopted by 1 April 2024	Review and update Strategy	WHBC - Landscape and Ecology	1 April 2024	Report to Cabinet in January 2024, undertake consultation, report responses and amended strategy for adoption	Adopted by 1 April 2024
Local Nature Recovery Strategy	External	Strategy	Set out agreed priorities for nature recovery, mapping the most valuable existing areas, and mapping specific proposals for creating or improving habitats for nature	Produce strategy with action plans for districts and Boroughs	HCC is the responsible authority, working with stakeholders to provide a single vision for nature recovery, building and strengthening local partnerships, and involving people who own and manage land	TBC - estimate 18-24 months	Strategy completed and published	Published LNRS
HCCSP Strategic Action Plan for Biodiversity (July 2023)	External	Action Plan	To enhance and improve Biodiversity across Hertfordshire	To review the CCSP Strategic Action Plan for Biodiversity	Strategic group consisting of all 10 Hertfordshire district/borough councils the county council and the LEP, working with the Hertfordshire Growth Board	TBC	Review, update and publish updated action plan	Publication date
Climate Change Action Plan	Internal	Plan	Education and raising awareness	Work with partners in education to develop climate education opportunities in schools such as events, workshops, upskilling teachers or activities like school allotments or forest gardens.	WHBC - Local Authority	Dec-30	Visits to schools	Number of visits, events