

## BURYMEAD SPRINGS

## ANNUAL AND REGULAR ACTIONS

Action	Obj. Ref	When	Responsibility	Funding	Est. Cost	Spec. Ref	Status
Work with scrap yard to remove any scrap metal which leaves its boundaries	2A	Ongoing	NHDC	Officer time			
Carry out a formal tree safety survey every three years	2B	Ongoing	NHDC	GM budget			
Carry out reactive tree safety works as required	2B	Ongoing	NHDC	GM budget			
Ensure all volunteers and contractors working on the site are aware of the 'no digging' area around the attenuation basin	2C	Ongoing	CMS/NHDC	Officer time			
Continue the established grounds maintenance programme	3A	Ongoing	JoC	GM budget			
Maintain infrastructure as required	3A	Ongoing	NHDC	GM budget			
Remove any graffiti and fly tipping on the site	3B	Ongoing	NHDC	GM budget			
Carry out regular litter picking	3C	Ongoing	JoC	GM budget			
Carry out small scale vegetation management along paths	3C	Ongoing	JoC	GM budget			
Collect rubbish from River Hiz	3C	Sep	CMS/Volunteers	Volunteers			
Carry out an annual conservation cut of the dry meadow	5A	Sep	CMS/Volunteers	Volunteers		5A	
Carry out an annual conservation cut of one third of the wet meadow	5A	Oct	CMS/Volunteers	Volunteers		5A	
Cut around one tenth of the reedbed (300m <sup>2</sup> )	5B	Nov	CMS/Volunteers	Volunteers		5B	

Cut viewing channels through the reedbed	5B	Nov	CMS/Volunteers	Volunteers		5B	
Cut reed around the margins of the lagoon	5B	Nov	CMS/Volunteers	Volunteers		5B	
Clear ditch inlets and outlets and short sections of ditch	5B	Nov	CMS/Volunteers	Volunteers		5B	
Remove arisings from meadow and reed cuts	5A/5B	Nov	NHDC	GM budget			
Coppice encroaching scrub within the meadows	5C	Jun	CMS/Volunteers	Volunteers		5C/D	
Coppice encroaching scrub within the reedbed	5C	Dec	CMS/Volunteers	Volunteers		5C/D	
Coppice established scrub/hedgerows in two 50m <sup>2</sup> blocks	5D	Feb	CMS/Volunteers	Volunteers		5C/D	
Build links with other organisations with an interest in the Upper and Bedford Ouse catchment	6A	Ongoing	CMS	Officer time			
Organise guided walks linking Burymead Springs with other Purwell Valley sites	7A	Ongoing	CMS/Volunteers	Officer time/ volunteers			

## YEAR 1 ACTION PLAN 2018 – 2019

Action	Obj. Ref	When	Responsibility	Funding	Est. Cost	Spec. Ref	Status
Install a wooden sign to the viewing platform from the main path	1C	Jun	CMS/NHDC	Capital budget/ volunteers	£200	1C	
Clear encroaching vegetation along the path to the viewing platform	1C	Oct	CMS	Volunteers			
Remove tree limbs around the viewing platform	1C	Oct	CMS	Volunteers			
Implement a grounds maintenance programme to manage the grass paths	3A	Apr	NHDC	GM budget			
Add a short grass path around the west end of the attenuation basin	3A	Apr	NHDC	GM budget			
Submit an external funding application to support capital works	4B	Mar	CMS	Officer time			
Restore part of the wet meadow by cutting and collecting vegetation	5A	Sep	CMS/NHDC	Capital budget	£1500		
Replant any trees or shrubs where new planting failed	5F	Oct	CMS/NHDC	Capital budget/ volunteers			
Control weeds around newly planted trees and shrubs	5F	Jun	CMS	Volunteers			
Remove tree guards from older plantation	5F	Jun	CMS	Volunteers			
Arrange chemical analysis of silt	5G	Jun	CMS/NHDC	GM budget	£350		
Establish and support a Friends Group for NHDC's Purwell Valley sites	6B	Mar	CMS/NHDC	Officer time/ volunteers			
Sign Hicca Way along route past Burymead Springs	7A	Jun	CMS/Arlesey Conservation for Nature	Volunteers			

## YEAR 2 ACTION PLAN 2019 – 2020

Action	Obj. Ref	When	Responsibility	Funding	Est. Cost	Spec. Ref	Status
Upgrade public footpath signs to signpost Burymead Springs	1A	Jul	CMS/RoW	External	£300	1A	
Use silt from lagoon to define eastern boundary	1B	Oct	CMS/NHDC	External			
Plant a hedgerow along the eastern boundary	1B	Jan	CMS/NHDC	Capital budget/ volunteers	£400	1B	
Design and install an interpretation panel at the viewing platform	1C	Oct	CMS/NHDC	External	£1500	1C	
Establish an unsurfaced path through the wet meadow	1D	Jul	CMS/NHDC	Volunteers			
Coppice and pollard trees along the River Hiz	5E	Oct	CMS/NHDC	External	£5000	5E	
Control weeds around newly planted trees and shrubs	5F	Jun	Volunteers	Volunteers			
Re-excavate the lagoon and parts of the reedbed to restore and increase structural diversity	5G	Oct	CMS/NHDC	External	£20000	5G	
Coppice scrub around seasonal ponds	5H	Oct	CMS/NHDC	External	£1500	5H	
Restore seasonal ponds by desilting	5H	Oct	CMS/NHDC	External	£2500	5H	
Establish voluntary riverfly monitoring along the Purwell and Hiz	6A	Mar	CMS/Volunteers	Officer time/ volunteers			

YEARS 3-5 ACTION PLAN 2020 – 2023

Action	Obj. Ref	When	Responsibility	Funding	Est. Cost	Spec. Ref	Status
Control weeds along new hedgerow	1B	Jun 2020	CMS/Volunteers	Volunteers			
Control weeds along new hedgerow	1B	Jun 2021	CMS/Volunteers	Volunteers			
Clear encroaching vegetation along the path to the viewing platform	1C	Oct 2022	CMS/Volunteers	Volunteers			
Remove tree limbs around the viewing platform	1C	Oct 2022	CMS/Volunteers	Volunteers			
Establish viewpoints through the hedgerow	1B	Oct 2022	CMS/Volunteers	Volunteers			
Produce Burymead Springs Greenspace Action Plan, 2023-2028		Mar 2023	CMS	Officer time			