

Bath Ready-Mixed Concrete Site Biodiversity Action Plan



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Site Information- Bath Ready-mixed Concrete

Site Name and Location (incl. Grid Ref.)	Bath Newbridge Rd, Bath BA1 3HH 51°23'05.9"N 2°23'46.6"W
Heidelberg Company	Heidelberg Ready-Mixed Concrete
BAP(s) that will be targeted	Delivering a Successful & Sustainable Bath
BAP habitats and species to be encouraged	Birds Invertebrates Native wildflower species
Background and site description	Located in Somerset with easy access to the A36 road, the Bath ready-mixed concrete plant is part of a larger complex of buildings of now vacant car showroom and adjacent industrial units. The site is within a historic quarry which transects the old Bristol to Bath rail line. This provides a wildlife corridor of native deciduous woodland and scrub and a sustainable transport link. The site is within the primary urban district of Newbridge and is largely residential in nature. The site is within 2 miles of the open countryside of the Cotswolds AONB, characterised by expansive meadow habitats and ancient beech woodland.
National Designations (SSSI, SAC, SPAs, RAMSARs and NPs) within 1km	The site is within 800m of the LNR Carrs Woodland. This Nature reserve is an area of woodland, grassland and a brook, west of Twerton, Bath. It includes beech woodland and wildflower-rich pasture.
Resource Requirements- comment on cost if appropriate	Actions to be paid for from general site costs.
Contribution to biodiversity	Increase native pollinator friendly plants and support invertebrate populations.
Partners and Local initiatives	N/A
Other documents supporting the site BAP	N/A

Site Layout



Action Plan

Item No.	Objective	Biodiversity Feature	Targets	Tasks	Assessing Indicator	Responsible Person	Timescale (Completion)
1	To increase native planting on site	Native shrubs and trees	Increase vegetative cover on site, if possible, to provide habitat for bird and invertebrate species.	1. Review site for planting opportunities (if any)	Site review undertaken	Landscape Architect	Q4 2024
				2. Draw up planting/ seeding strategy and implement.	Plan drawn up and planting carried out.	Landscape Architect	Q4 2026
2	Retain existing successional habitats	Promotion of native, early successional species such as bryophytes and Alkaline tolerant species	To allow successional habitats to develop on non-operational areas where possible	1. Carry out a site survey to establish presence of successional and alkaline tolerant plants	Survey carried out.	Landscape Architect/ Ecologist	Q2 2024
				2. identify successional habitat areas and communicate to operational colleagues	Plan produced.	Site Manager	
3	Provision of wildlife refugia	Bird sp. Invertebrate sp.	Improve and increase the refuge opportunities for wildlife.	1. Erect wildlife boxes e.g., bird and invertebrate	No. and type of boxes erected.	Landscape Architect/ Site Manager	Q4 2025