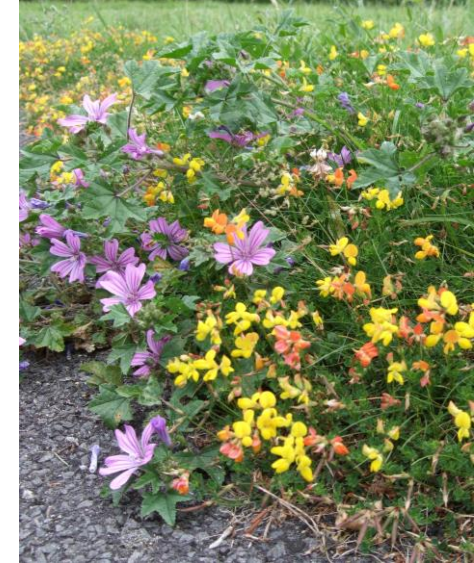


Nature



Verge Maintenance



'Cut and Leave'
yields coarse
grass, few
wildflowers, and
needs cutting 6+
times a year

'Cut and Collect'
allows for greater
plant diversity
and only needs
cutting twice a
year

**Low fertility
material and cut
and collect
reduces costs
on maintenance**

**Our butterfly
species list has
more than
doubled to >30
species in 6 years**

**Popular with the
public,
improved
biodiversity, and
reduced costs**

Biodiversity Net Gain



Minimum **10% net gain** on all Town & Country
Planning Act development, mandatory from
November 2023

Quantified using a 'Biodiversity Metric', assessed
by Ecologists

Standardised approach that is simpler & clearer
for developers



Compensation Funds

Secured, when appropriate, for the residual loss of habitat from development

Delivering compensatory habitat such as hedges and grassland as close as possible to site of habitat loss.

Funds are habitat type-specific

The Compensation Officer will retain a list of projects and contact Councils

Examples

Restoration of grassland to a more species-rich grassland/meadow on a village green or field

Match funding for a grant bid for a larger project such as land purchase for a wildlife reserve