

What has the Action Plan for Pollinators done to date?



Encouraging positive action by everyone

Wild Weekend Voucher Scheme – Natural Buzz Project is a pollinator initiative run by Keep Wales Tidy in partnership with the Horticultural Trade Association and Green Space Wales.

Maintaining healthy, sustainable populations of pollinators

Torfaen Borough Council's Pollinators for Life project to undertake a range of initiatives to promote long term sustainable management and to improve habitats and conditions for pollinating species.

Building an evidence base to inform future actions

Wales is part of the UK-wide National Pollinator and Pollination Monitoring Scheme, which aims to monitor changes in pollinators over time.

Providing more diverse flower rich habitats

Swansea City Council implemented the planting of pollinator-friendly flowers on the roundabouts and verges in the city.

Raising awareness and providing information

Urban Pollen8 is an initiative to inspire pollinator friendly zones in cities and towns across Wales.

The Wales Beekeepers Association and the Bee Improvement and Bee Breeders' Association both continue with their work to encourage beekeepers to raise local strains of honey bee.

Other initiatives

Cardiff University together with the National Botanic Garden of Wales have been studying Welsh honey to find new drugs to treat hospital infections because of the problem of antibiotic-resistant bacteria.

Images

Main: Coastal heath – Davey Martyn
Left: Meadow Butterfly – Vaughn Matthews
Middle: Common Garden Bumblebee – Cath Shellswel
Right: Hoverfly – credit Vaughn Matthews