

**Pollinators Taskforce Meeting
8 October 2013
Aberystwyth**

List of attendees:

Ioan Evans	National Parks Authority Wales (Pembrokeshire Coast)
Rachel Palmer	Keep Wales Tidy
Mike Howe	Natural Resources Wales
Ann Jones	National Federation of Women's Institutes-Wales
Martin Jones	Bees for Development
Lucy Rothstein	Bumblebee Conservation Trust
Jon Cryer	RSPB Cymru
Russel Hobson	Butterfly Conservation Wales
Maria Golightly	Kew Gardens
Rory Francis	Coed Cadw
Alan Michie	RDP Monmouthshire
Francis Gellatly	FERA
Jenny Shaw	Welsh Bee Keepers' Association
Tracey Lovering	Natural Resources Wales
Adrian Jones	North East Wales Biodiversity Network
Angie Polkey	(previously) Denmark Farm Conservation Centre
Natasha De Vere	Pollen8 Cymru
Caryn Le Roux	WG – Biodiversity Policy
Davey Martyn	WG – Biodiversity Policy
Medwyn Roberts	WG – Biodiversity Policy
Diana Reynolds	WG – Sustainable Futures Development Manager
Kathleen Carroll	WG – Pesticide Policy
Amy Byrne	WG – Animal Health Policy
Jane Jones	WG – Animal Health Policy

1. Caryn Le Roux welcomed members to the meeting, thanked them for their contributions to producing the Action Plan for Pollinators, launched in July, and welcomed the goodwill and willingness for members to get engaged in carrying out practical tasks to further the action plan.
2. Diana Reynolds highlighted the Minister's request for everyone to get involved in doing things, and that this meeting would take the form of co-production, where everyone who feels they can contribute to or lead actions, is encouraged to do so. 'Start anywhere – follow it everywhere'
3. The first agenda item was to discuss ways of working and principles for action. Output produced from this discussion in small groups was incorporated into a **draft Terms of Reference**.
4. During this discussion it became clear that there were a number of topics arising which members would like to discuss further in small groups.
5. These were:
 - Sustainable bees -Beekeeping – sustaining native colonies and queens for beekeeping and commercial bumblebees.
 - Roadside verges/communications
 - Wildlife gardening

- Evidence, case studies, research
6. Some groups were at a stage to be able to continue the discussion further with an agreed lead: Sustainable bees, Roadside verges. Others felt that an overarching action would help progress the work on those areas at this point: Wildlife gardening, Evidence. A further action for the purpose of reviewing Glastir was agreed.
 7. A number of actions arose from the feedback from these groups, see **Action Points table**.
 8. It was agreed to review **the Implementation Plan** in the light of the morning's discussions.
 9. The meeting closed for lunch. A follow up meeting was held in the afternoon by the Sustainable Bees group, and a related meeting was also held in the afternoon to discuss the development of an App regarding pollinators (see separate **note of meeting**).

Table of Actions:

Action	Lead	Partners	Target date (if possible to assign)
Mapping of expertise/skills/groups involved	Gemma Light/Sean McHugh		Next meeting
Signposting of Guidance and published material	Gemma Light/Sean McHugh		Next meeting
Developing the website to include the above content	Sean McHugh (with Gemma's input)		Next meeting
Developing funding streams – Biodiversity/Grow Wild/KWT	Caryn Le Roux	Maria Golightly WG – Local Environment Quality	
Linking with UK strategy, evidence and monitoring	Caryn Le Roux	JNCC, Defra, NRW, WBP evidence group, Insects Pollinators Initiative OCVO	
Investigating comms and branding for the Taskforce via WG	Gemma / Caryn		Next meeting
Roadside Verges Management – to develop ideas for awareness raising and communications	Martin Jones	Caryn Le Roux, Amy Byrne, Rachel Palmer, Ioan Evans,	
Sustainable Bees – to develop proposals for native colonies and	Alan Michie/Jenny	Frank Gellatly, Mike Howe,	

queens, for both honeybees and commercial bumblebees	Shaw	Kathleen Carroll	
Review Glastir for improvements for pollinators, in readiness for the forthcoming review in Spring 2014.	Mike Howe	Jenny Shaw, Frank Gellatly, Rory Francis, Jon Cryer, Russel Hobson, Ann Jones, Lucy Rothstein	
Co-production of Pollinator App	Davey Martyn	(see separate note of meeting)	