

# **PROFORMA for a Pond Management Plan:**

## **Headings and Guidance Notes: October 2008**

1. **Introduction:** *Details the purpose of the management plan in this location and at this pond and lists the consultees*
2. **Site description:** *Location (Provide a grid reference and include a map or plan of the site). Brief description of pond(s) and surrounding area, ownership, geology, land use (both current and previous uses if known, history of the site and public access details. Include these details for the pond and its surroundings to ensure we understand its context, including associated habitats, species and landscape.*
3. **Site analysis: Evaluation and objectives**
  - **Define the ponds conservation status** *(ie is it a Local Wildlife Site, on a protected site such as a Local nature Reserve, list the Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) habitats present (ie pond, r NBAP/LBAP habitat), give a site definition and describe the boundaries(if there are any). This is the reference material.*
  - **Describe the important features** *including priority habitats/species or protected sites/species both in the pond and the site, if known add anything important from the surrounding neighbouring land.*
  - **Ecology** *Detail any surveys undertaken and list the flora & fauna recorded for the site (even if just casual records) - Possibly place in a table. Provide reference to the Derby City Pond Survey and its findings for this pond.*
  - **Constraints** *list anything that may affect what can be done on the site ie planning requirements, such as Green wedge, floodplain, etc physical constraints.*
  - **List local positive and negative influences,** *factors that influence the qualities of the pond and operations observed that are damaging the site. Eg mowing to the edge*
  - **Management objectives.** *Give a summary and list the management objectives for the site. It will be important that National and Local BAP habitats and species are the primary aim guided by the pond survey.( see appendix below)*
4. **Site prescription:** *Against each management objective list the projects that will be undertaken to achieve the outcome. Also present the work programme in a timetable.*

5. **Contacts:** *List the major contacts required to do the work, reference material used and partners, eg DCPWA, WildDerby DCC, land owner etc.*

## APPENDIX

Some sample Objectives:

**Objective One:** To maintain and enhance the existing wildlife habitat (pond), associated communities and species as a national and local BAP habitat.

**Prescriptions:**

**Objective Two:** To safeguard all notable species

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**Objective Three:** To monitor site and species through recording, to monitor the effects of management and to demonstrate habitat improvements.

**Prescriptions:**

**Objective Four:** Foster positive visitor relationships to reduce site damage.

**Prescriptions:**

**Objective Five:** To maintain and improve the use of the pond as an educational resource

**Prescriptions:**

**Objective Six:** To protect the overall site integrity through partnership working.

**Prescriptions:**

**Objective Seven:** To recognise and meet all legal and other obligations.

**Prescriptions:**

**Objective Eight:** To improve public access and facilities

**Prescriptions:** To construct a new path that is compliant with the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act.