

Natural Cambridgeshire – Working Group updates

This is a very busy time for the LNP with lots of positive developments across our work programme:

Developing with Nature – Following a successful launch of the [toolkit](#) back in November last year we have been organising two follow up breakfast meetings; one in Cambridge and one in Peterborough to start engaging with a wider group of developers to introduce the toolkit them and to run through best practice case studies.

Naturally Healthy – A [conference](#) called “Delivering the Health and Wellbeing Benefits of the Natural Environment” was held recently at Hinchingsbrooke County Park with a focus on how we can bring nature interventions into the social prescribing agenda

Future Parks Accelerator – A small group of the LNP partners have been developing a £1.2 million bid to this joint Heritage Lottery Fund/National Trust fund that will help to develop a long term (25 year) green space strategy for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough; developing new funding/management models for existing and new green space. We should hear the outcome of this by end of March.

Fens Biosphere – At a strategic level we’ve been promoting the concept of the Biosphere with key partners resulting in an invite to present to Fenland District Councillors on this topic.

Biodiversity – Working with Jim Roquette from Natural Capital Solutions we are developing Habitat Opportunity Maps for the County. The baseline habitat maps will provide figures on approximate percentage cover of different land uses/habitats across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough. The opportunity maps will also highlight potential areas to focus on for creation of different habitats. The maps are a great starting point; next we will thinking about where to focus ground-truthing and updates to improve their accuracy and start to identify specific habitat creation opportunities and how to publicise and share the information (including arranging a wider workshop).

Website – we now have a [website](#)

If you would like to find out more about the work of the LNP, then please get in touch.

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