

Action Plan Objective s & Targets	Act-ions	2007 Target trend & progress (Graham Harrison)	2007 Plan trend & progress (Graham Harrison)	2008 Target trend and progress	2008 Plan trend & progress:
A. To maintain and increase the size of the regularly wintering population to at least five birds. 2010	PL2 SM1 A1 RM1 CP1	<p>↓ Target not achieved.</p> <p>Target achieved in 2003/4 winter but not being sustained.</p>	<p>↔</p> <p>Overall plan progress is neutral.</p> <p>Targets have been achieved but the small population is hard to sustain.</p>	<p>↓ Target not achieved.</p> <p>Still only 4 wintering birds recorded.</p>	<p>↔</p> <p>Overall plan progress remains neutral.</p>
B. To increase the range by having wintering bitterns regularly present on at least two sites 2010	PL1 PL2 SM1 SM3 A! RM1 CP1	<p>↑ Target achieved</p> <p>Target achieved in 2002/3 and 2003/4 winters and is being sustained.</p>		<p>↑ Target achieved</p> <p>There still remain 2 known sites for this species.</p>	

<p>C. To maintain the extent and maintain / improve the condition of existing reedbeds, with priority given to those holding UK Biodiversity Action Plan Priority Species and Red Data Book species By 2005</p>	<p>PL1 SM2 SM3 A1 RM1 CP1</p>	<p>↑ Target achieved</p> <p>The large reedbeds at Brandon Marsh are subject to continual management particularly the removal of excess willow and birch scrub.</p>		<p>↑ Target achieved</p> <p>Of the 2 known sites, one is a SSSI but there has been no further progress with assessing the second site against the SINC criteria, although it is a potential SINC.</p> <p>WCC is currently reviewing its Minerals Strategy and is considering policies to protect, encourage and enhance biodiversity.</p> <p>RSPB reserve at Middleton Lakes is in the early stages of habitat creation including 5ha suitable for bitterns.</p> <p>At Brandon the second phase of the Newlands reedbed has progressed well; a further area of reedbed has been developed on the West Marsh</p>	
<p>D. To have breeding bitterns in Warwickshire 2014</p>	<p>PL1 PL2</p>	<p>↔ No progress</p> <p>No indications that this will be achieved but it is still early days.</p>		<p>↔ No progress</p> <p>Still no progress.</p>	