

Progress Report: ROADSIDE VERGES (adopted 2005)

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OBJECTIVES	Target	Progress with Targets (based on progress with actions reported between 2005-7)	Target Progress	Progress Summary	Plan Progress	HBA status *
A. To survey, designate and record all verges of ecological importance, having defined criteria for this.	2008	Some progress (behind schedule) Poor progress through the SINC system due to under-resources.	↓	Some action has occurred but not considered to be proactive.	↓	No data
B. To develop management guidelines for individual sites and proposals in partnership with the Highways Authorities and other managing organisations to maximise the wildlife value of the verges.	2009	Some progress (behind schedule) Highway Agency has approached LRC for some species information and have a biodiversity action plan (motorways and A45?) The highways authority has no guidelines yet but considers biodiversity in new schemes including management	↔			
C. To increase the monitoring, management and enhancement of roadside biodiversity.	Review 2008	Some progress (behind schedule) Ad hoc and minimal with virtually no action recorded	↓			
D. To increase awareness of the ecological value of roadsides.	Ongoing	Some progress (on schedule) Highways authority has been informed of butterfly conservation handbook.	↔			