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| **Area in Parish** | **Action** | **Outcome** | **Target** | **Reporting** |
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| Whole Parish Council area | Raise local awareness of biodiversity | Gain local support for action | Ongoing | Newsletter |
| Churchyard | Leave some areas unmown each year | Increased diversity of habitat  Encourages insects and butterflies  Provides cover | Ongoing | Newsletter |
| Pocket Park | Adopt a management plan for planting and maintenance  Leave some areas unmown  Sympathetically maintain hedging  Maintain and renew bat and bird boxes as required | Sustain and enhance natural habitats  Encourages insects  Provides cover and food sources  Provides habitat | Ongoing | Newsletter  Volunteer Groups |
| The Built Landscape | Ensure that planning consultations are considered against the requirements of the Village Design Statement | Protect and enhance habitats | Ongoing | Newsletter |
| Increase community awareness of biodiversity | Raise awareness of importance of gardens as habitats for wildlife  Switch off street lights in early hours  Encourage residents to pick up litter and clean up after their dogs | Promote biodiversity/engage with community  Protect nocturnal animals  Protecting habitats | Ongoing | Newsletter |

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