

List of all comments received

All written comments received through the LNRS online survey and via email during the public consultation period from 6th May – 16th June 2025.

This document presents all the online survey comments as submitted. It may therefore contain spelling or grammatical errors which have not been corrected. Where responses included specific geographical references or sensitive information, these details have been redacted to protect respondents' anonymity. Redaction has also occurred where comments were deemed to be potentially offensive, discriminatory or defamatory.

Email responses have been summarised to represent the key points.

3. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? If you ticked disagree, please explain why
Access to green spaces brings with it rubbish, quads, fly tipping, dogs all destroying wildlife and having to be dealt with by farmers and landowners. Those that demand access should police it.
3. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? If you ticked strongly disagree, please explain why
ecosystem services, including improving peoples mental health to be connected to nature
5. Do you consider yourself to have a good understanding of the purpose of the Local Nature Recovery Strategy ? If you ticked disagree, please explain why.
I had not heard of it before, and haven't read the documentation in detail
Only just found out about it.
I've only just heard of it
Having not heard of it I have no idea about it's purpose but am interested to learn more
As I haven't seen or heard about it I can't comment
I haven't heard of this strategy previously.
Never heard of it before now. Why are residents not told about this?
Noy heard of it before
This is my first time checking out this website
I don't understand what it means for my local area ie Worksop
The document is too long to read.
I would like to see a summary of the aims and a list actions that the interested parties are committed to doing.

The document is so long! Needs more paraphrasing of salient.	
5. Do you consider yourself to have a good understanding of the purpose of the Local Nature Recovery Strategy ? If you ticked strongly disagree, please explain why.	
Never heard of it	
I haven't heard about it before engaging with this survey.	
I have no idea of the purpose of the LNR strategy, this is the 1st time I have heard of it.	
I didn't know it existed	
I have no idea what Notts is doing to help nature. I see only rampant development and soaring litter and destruction of my planet	
Did not know about it	
My answer to question 4 said I'd not heard of the strategy; therefore it follows that I wouldn't have a good understanding of it!	
Not heard of it.	
I've heard about it from a circular email from Nottinghamshire County Council	
6. How do you feel about the Local Nature Recovery Strategy? Why did you respond that way?	
Excited;	It is encouraging that we are thinking of nature, but in the same breath we continue to build and cover land rather than plant or use buildings wisely. Yes I feel excited about this but council planning has a responsibility to ensure applications are 'wildlife' friendly.
Worried;	We may have already lost the Red Squirrel in many areas but we should still work to reduce the populations of Invasive Non Native Greys in order that the existing populations of Greys do not have to expand outwards putting more pressure on Reds elsewhere.
Neutral;	Is this another initiative that is funded and nothing changes for the benefit of those most deprived, which firstly is the local habitat & the community that can access nature without all the barriers, one being transport & ability to get to nature sites to enjoy it.
Excited;	Because nature needs to be protected for our health & wellbeing and because it deserves to be here! I think multiple groups coming together to work on doing this is brilliant. Nature is under constant and growing threats so if this brings success then that would be so beneficial.
Excited; Motivated;	We are part of nature so if it is harmed we are harming ourselves.
Excited; Motivated;	We need to protect our natural spaces. The amount of animals lives and habitats being destroyed by humans building on land is outrageous
Neutral; Sceptical;	There seems to be many promising bit few delivering. We have a beautiful lane on Lowfield lane that part of us going to be lost due to planning but still what is left should be protected for future future generations to enjoy and discover peace in a ever growing village.
Motivated;	An area in my community has been lost to development despite the documented rare grassland, it is a place of sanctuary for local people and i would like a strategy in place to protect/develop/enhance the greenspace in the last remaining country lane in Balderton (the most nature depleted village %%)

Excited; Sceptical;	Excited if this actually makes a difference and stops developers when they have been given the green light by the government to build anywhere they like. Sceptical because all of the government led rhetoric eventually amounts to nothing.
Excited; Motivated;	Because I feel that things can only improve when a strategy is formed so everyone is involved
Neutral; Worried; Sceptical;	I worry that this is a camouflage for 'mitigating measures' when intensive development is allowed. There should be natural habitats left alone everywhere- especially where there is a lot of housing- not a 'park' miles away.
Motivated;	I work in health and recognise that easy access to green areas is hugely important for physical and mental health. Also keen for local habitats to be recognised and supported.
Excited;	More and more of our green space is disappearing to development of housing, energy farms and it's quite worrying that no one seems to be doing anything to save these areas. So this is quite exciting news.
Excited;	I feel that it is very important for improving habitats in Nottinghamshire and will also prompt us to learn more about the habitats and species we have in the county.
	Potential for NIMBY Exploitation
Worried; Sceptical;	Despite its well-intentioned goals, the LNRS could be susceptible to manipulation by NIMBY (Not In My Back Yard) sentiments, potentially hindering broader environmental and social objectives:
Worried;	Lack of understanding of the countryside, there should be access to open green spaces but also education about dogs off leads, straying off footpaths, respecting those that work the land, litter dropping etc
Neutral;	I enjoy walking in a rural environment like Colwick, but the enjoyment of a local park is offset against the excess traffic it brings to the area.
Excited;	Because it's important and necessary
Excited; Sceptical;	Excited as there are great opportunities, but also a bit sceptical, as nature is often an afterthought compared to development
Excited;	I confess I am also sceptical - action, and therefore funding, is needed to act on the priorities, to act at the location, to actually deliver: not just to establish priorities, identify locations and inform the delivery. Hopefully this funding is available.
Excited;	As decision makers of all kinds, central powers, global powers - right down to our own friends and relatives - fail to recognise the reality that is heading towards us; we can still act and do the right thing. This strategy is an example of that.
Excited;	Because I'm passionate about nature and the environment and I'm fully behind anything that aids it.
Motivated;	Pleased to see that nature recovery is being considered on a local level. However, I am concerned that whilst it will inform stakeholders, it does not directly protect biodiversity. More emphasis on public access to some of these areas may help with the disconnect between the public & nature.

Neutral;	Everything has to have balance. Not cutting grass at the roadside on residential roads is not the answer. In some places this can be dangerous when a driver cannot see around the grass to pull onto a main road or dual carriageway. It also looks unkempt.
Excited;	It seems like a coherent joined up approach, with the overarching themes and priorities applicable in lots of ways and places across the county. I am a big proponent of a joined up approach which I think is often left lacking in other climate strategy areas.
Excited; Motivated; Worried;	I hope that the strategy can be embedded as a key document and focus for nature recovery across the county and that different projects can use the work of the strategy to influence an approach to managing, improving and enhancing wildlife. However I do have worries about its implementation.
Excited; Motivated;	Because in Balderton we have Lowfield Lane. A natural oasis of nature. The only one left.. Sadly there is already planning passed on some of the land. But we need to preserve the rest urgently to stop all the wildlife being driven out. The land is special in history & wildlife. Please can you help
Motivated;	There appears to be significant pressure in Notts to reduce our green spaces which is a great shame
Excited;	It's great all the unseen work behind the scenes and the dedication going into this project
Excited;	It is an opportunity for nature recovery to take a lead in local councils!
Excited; Sceptical;	In my opinion and from my experience simply managing a habitat isn't enough, an active seeding a planting regime of those plants that should be present but have been lost and can't find their way back due to extinct animal dispersal methods or damaged or missing wildlife corridors is conservation
Excited;	Nature is important and needs to be helped as much as possible.
Sceptical;	Whether the nature recovery will actually improve overall biodiversity and management/incentives to boost said biodiversity won't fall by the wayside.
Motivated;	Anything that supports wildlife and biodiversity is fantastic.
Excited; Motivated;	There are too many green spaces being used for development.
Excited; Motivated;	More & more people are spending time walking around Lowfield Lane, looking for all different flower & animals & birds. There is also a Facebook page to show your photos. Lowfield lane nature. Please don't take it away.
Motivated;	It is important to stop building on land where wildlife thrives. Evidence where we live of animals coming into built up areas more. Anything introduced to support recovery and maintaining is great, in my view.
Excited; Motivated; Worried; Sceptical;	In the area I live in, Balderton there has, in my opinion, been massive over development. Despite this, planning permission for more houses has been granted in one of the most beautiful and richly inhabited places left. Balance must be restored. We need to save nature. No one is making more land!
Excited;	Because I want Lowfield Lane to be saved as a nature reserve, that's what it has always been since I was a child in the 60s
Motivated;	Because I felt that the council didn't give real consideration to the real value of the Lowfield Lane site.

Motivated;	We really need to conserve existing ancient hedgerows, woodlands, meadows, grasslands, not rip them out and plant tiny saplings. New plants can be planted but we need to. Let existing nature continue to exist and not be wiped out to "start again from scratch" as this will take centuries to get back!
Excited; Sceptical;	Excited because I believe looking after nature is paramount if the human species wishes to continue. Sceptical because government always weasels its way out of caring for what this planet actually needs
Excited; Motivated;	Because nature in all. It's form should NOT be disturbed from their habitat for financial gain I am particularly concerned about Lowfield Lane in Balderton. Proposed development on a flood plain and loss of wildlife habitat.
Excited; Motivated;	I think this is very very important generally but lowfield lane is very important to us as residents of newark. It is a vital green space that should have been protected in the first place.
Motivated;	The strategy gives you hope that there will be some green space left
Excited;	Need to improve nature diversity in the county.
Motivated;	the loss of green spaces, wildlife habitats and biodiversity is of great concern
Motivated;	I firmly believe that green spaces and access to nature is critical to modern life, not just for citizens but also for the declining diversity of wildlife in this county and country
Excited; Motivated;	My local area lowfields balderton is under threat of all the wildlife being lost due to building development, this recovery strategy is a fantastic idea that maybe able to help save the wildlife in this area
Excited;	We need it so much as far to much greenspace is being decimated. So
Sceptical;	One of the plants selected for priority is an archaeophyte, another is a neophyte. Only creeping willow is appropriate. There are native species such common cow-wheat and fly orchid that are on the brink of extinction that are higher priority. BNG link is very poor.
Excited;	Because I think you could help us save Lowe field Lane an ancient nature reserve teaming with wildlife and other places like it. As soon we will have no wildlife left as destroying their homed
Excited; Motivated;	I'd like to believe that something good can be done for our wildlife and green areas
Excited;	Any way that keeps green spaces has got to be good for all God's creatures
Excited; Motivated;	The map reveals so much nature and the possibility of more in this area. I feel proud to be a small part and supporter of all the organisations and enthusiasts who think as I do
Sceptical;	With on going lack of care, funding, mass development etc there is a continued nett loss to all areas of the UK It appears that everything is solely motivated by financial gain (mainly housing/commercial developments) with bare minimum consideration to nature/impact
Motivated;	I feel passionate about the need for green spaces for the future
Excited;	Nature provides food, shelter, medicine and help reduce flooding, it is also improves mental health, reduce pollutants and make areas look more attractive for buyers and investors.

Worried; Sceptical;	From reading the Statement of Biodiversity Priorities, it would appear that you have no "teeth" and are not able to stop any loss of land to building, which is disappointing. However, I am hopeful that you can make a difference for nature.
Motivated;	It's important that someone tries to do the best to recover nature as it's vital for all our wellbeing both for the insects animals & plants that it supports & it looks a lot better than just a barren landscape. I would like to see a lot of the roadside trees replaced. Lots of them get cut down & no
Motivated;	Please reconsider your decision regarding Lowfield lane.
Sceptical;	You'll just build more houses on green space, same old.
Neutral;	Its good that there is a strategy in place and I hope it makes a difference but there are so many different organisations that need to be involved along with the budget to make it happen, that what is wanted and what actually happens may be two different things
Motivated;	I want green spaces to remain and not be taken over by unnecessary and unwanted housing! Green space and wildlife is invaluable to people's general and mental health which is so important now and in the future. Seeing a variety of wildlife in their natural habitat is a special thing.
Motivated;	It gives some hope to areas full of wildlife being around for a lot longer
Motivated;	Firstly, hope is precious and letting it go never helps fix anything. Secondly, it's evidence of the wealth of wisdom available in Notts for building strategy. But I am also worried about the depth of our problems as a globe. I am expectant that what we do has an impact beyond our own region.
Sceptical;	Little support from Councils locally supporting this. Biodiversity initiatives are not checked eg. housing developments, with lack of resources stated as the issue. Parish councils use weedkiller and council land is not managed properly.
Excited;	I am asking you to please consider urgently putting protection measures in place for the rest of Lowfield lane in Balderton, Notts which is our last remaining wild green space rich in wildlife and biodiversity which needs urgent protection from over development.
Motivated;	I want to keep local green spaces for all to enjoy. We need to build on brown field sites NOT nature reserves or next to them.
Excited;	This is really important for the county and city - and we often don't hear about things like this. I found this by accident in a Green Space mailing. People need to know and to speak up for it!
Motivated;	So many areas are disappearing for housing and we cannot make any more land! Once it's gone it's gone..Different species require wildlife corridors but they are constantly being eroded by our progress. There are more than humans on this earth! The reality is agreed by various organisations!
Motivated; Worried;	I don't know how this could affect my farm going forward. With our loss of confidence with DEFRA and this government it sounds very dangerous to have parts of our land with 'designations'.
Excited; Motivated;	Nature, the environment, health and well being are critical to ensuring a positive future for us and the planet. Reaching net zero is vital, much more needs doing. We all need to take responsibility and government needs to show strong leadership. The green economy can boost economic growth.

Excited;	Because it is vital we increase and strengthen biodiversity
Excited;	Green spaces are disappearing
Excited; Motivated;	We need more biodiversity, trees in particular, in Arnold and probably other towns as well.
Neutral;	I am trying to read it but the link I clicked takes me through to this surgery before I've had the chance to read it. This feels like a fundamental failing point.
Excited; Motivated;	It's important
Excited; Motivated;	I feel very strongly that protecting our existing natural spaces, and creating more among urban spaces is extremely important for the mental and physical well being of humans, not to mention the importance of such places for wildlife.
Excited;	Please to see a positive initiative
Neutral;	Would like to see more happening at local level and more involved community
Excited; Motivated;	Something drastically needs to be done to provide habitats for wildlife and to get people to engage with the natural world
Excited; Motivated;	This is desperately needed to address the issues currently faced not just on a local scale but a global one.
Neutral;	I don't think it will include enough of the views of Nottingham residents and smaller community based projects and organisations.
Excited;	I care deeply about nature.
Excited; Motivated;	Because I think it's critical that nature is protected and it enhances the environment in urban areas
Motivated;	Any strategy that increases green spaces, removes pesticide use and develops land with nature and wildlife in mind should be a positive thing if done in the right way with conservation and wildlife partners
Excited;	Nature needs protecting
Excited;	Having local spaces for nature to thrive is especially important particularly in a built up and urban area
Sceptical;	Councils and the government don't seem to really care about the environment, they say they do, put out 'strategies' like this which is all talk unfortunately. They are ALWAYS more invested in building on green spaces etc.
Excited; Motivated;	Our natural habitats & wildlife are in severe decline. I welcome any interventions that protect what we have left. I want to see urban hedgehog populations included as these are severely and imminently threatened by more urban development
Excited; Motivated;	I believe it is crucial for everyone, especially young people to have access to green, natural spaces. Our ecosystem is so important and if we continue building houses upon houses without any regard for the animals whose homes we are building on, the ecosystem as we know it will collapse.
Excited; Motivated;	I love and value nature and wild natural places

Excited;	
Motivated;	I'm a gardener and garden content creator so I am excited to hear about this project
Excited;	Nature is important
Excited; Sceptical;	Government priority seems to be building houses so nature doesn't stand a chance. Also the water authorities giving so much money to shareholders whilst polluting rivers is diabolical.
Excited; Worried; Sceptical;	I think that the prospect of NCC and local councillors prioritising nature and its ongoing recovery and protection is very promising. I am however very skeptical that even though these policies may get agreed, that the push for continued housing and construction will likely overrule this.
Neutral;	Don't know enough at present.
Excited; Sceptical;	I am excited about the prospect of new and improved green spaces beneficial to wildlife, but I am sceptical that plans won't go ahead, or won't actually be created with wildlife as the key focus of them and won't end up having the desired impact.
Neutral;	I haven't heard about it before engaging with this survey.
Motivated;	Nature needs all the help it can get currently, its a chance to help
	None of the above. I do feel slightly optimistic, though.
Sceptical;	It just appears to be a tick box exercise. Responding the peoples concerns but doing nothing.
Motivated;	I look forward to opportunities to get involved. Nature recovery feels so important to me, I really care about this cause. I also live near a proposed site which i use for walking regularly.
Sceptical;	Nice sounding words and concepts but skeptical it will really develop into taking meaningful, long-term actions that benefit the environment and biodiversity. Yet another talking shop.
Excited; Sceptical;	The words sound good..Like lots of things do at first. I do not know what it is all about or the aims.
Excited; Motivated;	I want to see more nature in my local city and surrounding area!
Excited;	I am hopeful that this will support nature recovery in our County.
Excited;	It's exciting to see that our environment's health is being made a priority.
Excited; Motivated;	Green spaces are not only important for nature but also for heat control, windbreaks (tree lines etx) and as natural flood defences.
	I would like Lawefield Lane to be put on this list of protection and would like to have more discussions on this Balderton in particular is over developed and needs it pressure green space is protecting from overdevelopment.
Neutral;	Counsellor *****
Excited;	Fantastic news to hear wildlife habitats will be restored
Neutral;	Because I didn't know about it so don't have strong feelings either way

Excited; Motivated;	That is how I feel
Neutral;	I am interested but need to know more
Worried;	I worry that food production will be sacrificed on the back of other objectives and that farmers will not be adequately compensated for the changes they will be made to make, we already care deeply about the environment and most do the best they can but need to be profitable to do so
Excited;	Because Nottingham becomes concrete city, we need more green spaces, wildlife, food for bees, more trees, shrubs, moss so city will be place for all animals big and small.
Excited;	Long overdue
Excited;	Keen to keep our green spaces and make our areas more bio diverse
Neutral;	Haven't seen the strategy
Neutral;	I like to think it can lead to something positive but as with all government led initiatives I will want to get excited until it starts to become a reality. I am in to do the work and makes positive changes.
Motivated;	We need to do as much as we can to protect green and blue spaces within Nottinghamshire, whilst encouraging and educating people in local communities to get more involved where ever they can.
Excited;	Green spaces are important to me.
Excited; Motivated;	I am passionate about nature
Neutral;	I don't know enough about it to make a judgement
Excited;	I understand the need to protect wild life and spaces for our future
Worried;	Impact of Government New Build strategy to build 1.5 MIL homes on the green belt and impact on nature reserves.. We're already seeing floodings around new build highway due to lack drainage, natural habitat and wild life being impacted.
Neutral;	I don't know much about it
Sceptical;	these types of schemes in my experience start with great vision BUT are invariably badly managed (by national and local gov employees) resources are inflexible land managers become disenchanted
Worried; Sceptical;	Because I do not trust the District and County Council to really take it seriously.
Motivated;	It's so important to conserve our natural areas and protect the wildlife who depend on it to survive. There seems to be an increase in areas being taken for development and it's very concerning.

Worried;	I'm worried so much is lost to building. The development proposed for Nottingham City Airfield and surrounding fields. The airfield meadows have been there since the 1930s. They are a haven for the skylark, ground nesting birds, many other wildlife, habitats can't be replaced.
Motivated;	I am responding based upon the imminent development at Nottingham City airport knowing well the wildlife going to be desimated by the developer, I see much from the control tower the skylarks, hares etc which will certainly disappear as a consequence.
Motivated;	It is important to consider wildlife when developing green spaces. Two instances recently with muntjacs resulting in them being killed. Their habitat has been taken by housing
Neutral;	You need to save nottingham airport from being developed into loads of new houses, there are rare skylarks on the meadow at tye airfield and vistry will destroy this and kill the skylarks
Excited;	Anything they can do to stop the development on Lowfield lane would be brilliant.
Sceptical;	Until I see our remaining green spaces protected and protected quickly, I am sceptical. I live in Newark where we are suffering from huge over development.
Excited;	It is critical to take urgent practical steps to reduce our negative impact on the environment.
Motivated;	Saving nature and wildlife is very important in my area
Excited;	It is important to ensure areas of land are protected to allow wildlife to flourish and encourage nature. Please work with local council planning groups to object to planning applications that are detrimental or unsafe to the environment and continue to develop strategies such as no mow may.
Motivated;	All green spaces that have a high amount of wildlife should be protected. I walk every morning and I love the sounds of the birds. Skylarks remind me of my holidays as a child. I see a lot of wildlife on the fields adjoining the canal and Tollerton airfield
Motivated;	Too much natural habitat is being destroyed in the pursuit of development. We have no right to continually damage the environment.
Excited;	that's how I felt on discovering it.
Neutral;	I think the idea is great but the implementation needs more thought. Currently, the strategy has a budget which appears to have been ringfenced for engagement, mapping and planning but there is little mention of funding for physical implementation or maintenance.
Motivated;	With the planning agreed for houses on Lowfield Lane, which is a beautiful spot for nature in Balderton I feel local councils are just not listening to local people and considering wildlife. Converting old shops into flats in the town centre is a much better idea .
Worried;	Lack of detail on what the opportunities are. No trust in Defra or faith in their competence
Excited;	I wish for the council to abandon their recent plans to develop Lowfield Lane. This is an important area of natural beauty and hosts many large native species. Balderton has had more than its recent share of new housing, it's time to look elsewhere, and preserve our beautiful and bountiful spaces.
Motivated;	I live in the city centre and believe that wildlife and nature is crucial in maintaining and improving the wellbeing of people in the city.
Excited;	My love of everything nature flora and fauna alike. We need to preserve and protect natural habitats/green spaces - home to our vulnerable wildlife. It's up to us to protect them.

Excited;	People need nature
Neutral;	It's an excellent opportunity but will it happen
Sceptical;	We already have large areas of trees and heathland, in fact way more than the average for the country in parts of Notts (Sherwood). We need to produce food and if we take land from production it just means that habitat rich rain forests etc will be cut down to provide our food at a higher enviro
Sceptical;	Not sure enough will be done. More could be done to encourage private residents and local businesses to make positive changes for wildlife on their properties and daily life. No one is talking about reducing meat consumption, the single largest driver of habitat loss.
Neutral;	Our farm is already engaged with Habitat activities. Fail to see that the strategy has a strong purpose Always a feeling with opt in schemes that could become mandatory in the future Historically farmers have always invested in environmental features when having good profits.
Excited;	However it is at odds with NSIp developments especially in the creation of swathes of solar taking up far far too many acres of rural land impacting on landscapes, biodiversity, ability to grow food and other crops . Around my village the current proposal is 3500 acres , 52% of which is C1 + . Bad!
Sceptical;	See above. Too many areas are being destroyed and too few areas are being cleaned and improved for nature
Excited; Motivated;	Climate change is a major threat and anything we can do to encourage plant, insect and animal species in the face of habitat destruction is to be encouraged. Even small areas help maintain wildlife corridors.Greenery is also important to good physical and mental health.
Excited; Motivated;	Because our green spaces need more protection for wildlife, at the rate developers are going our kids/grandchild will have no wildlife areas to enjoy and the wildlife will be lost.
Excited;	Think it's very important
Excited; Motivated; Worried;	Balderton Lowfield Lane is a beautiful peaceful area that needs to be preserved for the wonderful wildlife, vegetation and the many people who go there. The noises, the smells of the beauty of the area is the best medicine for stress and anxiety the world brings. Down there that melts away.
Excited;	I love nature It's vital we look after our wildlife and their habitat, they play an important role in our ecosystem - especially the pollinators Green spaces are better for our mental health
Motivated;	Opportunity to integrate nature and wildlife into our policy/planning priorities and encourage engagement and connectivity with people.
Excited; Motivated; Sceptical;	Rules keep changing and don't feel confident it will stand the test of time!
Excited;	We have to address the problem of biodiversity loss and climate change so you have to stay positive about getting it sorted

Excited; Motivated;	Good to see a detailed mapping of the areas of special scientific interest, nature reserves, potential nature reserves
Excited; Motivated;	Because a coherent framework that can include many smaller local actions is the way to involve people in making a difference
Worried; Sceptical;	Because whyburn farm, musk hills and all of lord byrons hills aren't included in your map or strategy
Neutral;	The opportunities are not clear in terms of outcome or financially, and neither are the future limitations of keeping my land in this scheme/strategy in terms of future issues with development or planning
Excited; Motivated;	I feel that working together as a community we can make small actions which can have a huge impact on wildlife recovery .
Excited; Motivated;	It is vitally important we protect our natural habitats, to avoid ecosystem collapse and pass on nature for future generations.
Neutral;	There is a lot of detail to the plan and being so high level it's difficult to see tangible deliverables. The value and measure of success is that is that it influences decision makers (ie councils, developers etc) and delivers real change.
Neutral;	Conservation charities badly looking after existing species on sites
Excited; Motivated;	Maintaining a mosaic of biodiverse habitats is essential to maintaining the health of our wider environment, providing resilience for the future as climate changes impact as well as potentially slowing down or even reversing the levels of carbon accumulating in our atmosphere. Mental wellbeing.
Motivated;	Nature recovery is necessary and needs to be built in to all development and management plans, not a separate activity.
Sceptical;	The more environmental events I attend the I am convinced many environmental projects are dreamed up by people highly educated but with little understanding of the land areas involved.
Motivated;	as a semi retired person am looking to get involved in what has been a life long passion and be able to something positive in my twilight years as i believe give nature the chance and it will grow
Excited; Motivated;	A co-ordinated approach to protecting the countryside, agriculture, the environment and natural habitats is to be welcomed.
Excited; Motivated;	Because I'm glad to see nature and blue/ green spaces recognised as a priority
Motivated;	Because despite this Strategy's good intention people are cutting down trees at an industrial level in Edwinstowe and the council seems to be allowing that
Sceptical;	Because, living in Hucknall, the level of involvement we can expect is minimal, and our views will be ignored.
Sceptical;	Nature always loses out to political and corporate greed.
Excited; Worried;	I am concerned that there is a lot being asked with little funding available to make it happen. I am excited that plans are being put in place, but how are they going to be delivered?

Neutral;	Because I'm not aware of what they do. Residents have not been informed.
Motivated;	I love nature and want to save it from developments on greenbelt land
Neutral;	Not heard of it before now so no strong opinions yet either way
Excited;	Although I have witnessed badly thought out policies I am always hopeful to connect people with nature especially the young.If not engaged there will be no protection.
Excited;	Any policies that protect and promote nature are positive! I have seen some of the marketing and it's clear that a range of stakeholders were involved in the development of it.
Motivated;	The Parish Council supports the Local Nature Recovery Strategy
Neutral;	Actions speak louder than words n not sure what you hv done yet. I am worried that mitigation may mean planting and green spaces miles from the area concerned
Excited;	
Motivated;	Because these spaces are valuable to our wildlife and our mental health
Motivated;	We need to save our wildlife and our green spaces and anything we can to to protect all of that is a positive in my book.
Excited;	
Sceptical;	I think it is exciting but am unsure whether it will deliver any meaningful results
Neutral;	Not heard of it
Neutral;	Not enough information is given to the public.
Motivated;	I think it is important to recover green spaces for the sake of nature,humans are nature . It is something that is not yet put out there as a norm. Especially for inner city people. Green spaces and the country side has a whole culture in mibd stuck to it when it should be or could be accessible
Motivated;	Lack Consistency. Why are some large areas mapped ACBs while others similar aren't? Eg Farmland SW vs NW of Southwell.
Sceptical;	Lack Specificity. Sites have 1 or 2 measures when several are appropriate. ACB of Southwell = mosaic farmland/woodland. Why only A/M2 & B/M4? Why no grassland & farmland measures?
Motivated;	I am 86 years old and therefore not as involved as I would have been in the past, nevertheless I am still interested in what is happening in nature for the sake of my off spring.
Neutral;	Does not go far enough
Excited;	Because I am aware of the affects it can have on wildlife , the health and well being of people including myself and my family , it can help in flood risks and climate change and many other factors that can only be positive for the natural environment overall .
Motivated;	I believe this is an important area and everyone of us has a responsibility
Excited;	Nature in the area has always been ignored.
Motivated;	I am fortunate to live on the northern boundary of Arnold. The Hobbucks and surrounding areas are very import for the conservation of wildlife.
Neutral;	Don't know if you will fulfil your potential

Motivated;	I believe that we need to encourage reinstating our lost biodiversity for the sake of all of our health and wellbeing
Motivated;	We are part of the natural world. Our activity can be 'in tune' with the natural world or can be hugely destructive according to our decisions. Future generations will pay a heavy price if today we fail to recognise the pivotal role of our lifestyle in improving nature's opportunity to thrive.
Neutral;	Not really interested in green issues.
Motivated;	I have a wildlife garden with a 36 Sq metre meadow and 4sq metre pond full of frogs and three smaller ponds dotted around the garden.
Neutral;	It would be a good start if the council stopped: 1) constantly cutting down trees 2) strimming verges down to the bare earth 3) spraying weedkiller all over the place I'm in Mansfield.
Motivated;	Anything we can do to promote and protect our local green spaces & environment should be at the forefront of local decisions!
Excited; Motivated; Sceptical;	I think the initiative is an excellent one but I am sceptical that it will deliver.
Excited;	I love wildlife and want to live in an area that promotes this,
Motivated;	Pleased to know something is being done about the decline in natural habitat
Motivated;	Everyone should have a interest retaining the natural beauty of the county
Excited; Motivated;	Because it is very important to save natural habitats
Excited;	It provides an excellent resource for organisations to consult with regarding planning and use of environemntal facilites.
Sceptical;	Due to the council gardeners still using weed killers on a regular basis Due to council gardeners not listening when asked not to use weed killers and to leave certain good for wildlife plants in. Gardeners Strip healthy plants out to make way for new ones and dig the soil over-good do grow them
Excited;	I'm worried that the importance of nature, for the health of our planet, and the mental health of individuals is being neglected. It's time to put nature first.
Excited; Motivated;	We need to act now because of Climatic change and species loss.Its a no brainer
Motivated;	If it results in physical improvements to the environment, it's excellent.
Motivated;	I feel it's very important that we these area to experience and enjoy, maintaining current locations and installing new ones.
Neutral;	Not aware of the strategy to be able to form an opinion.
Motivated;	I am encouraged that local government is taking this issue seriously.

Excited; Sceptical;	I appreciate the importance of local nature and the preservation of wildlife habitats and am excited to think active steps are being taken to improve these. However I feel sceptical that efforts to achieve and maintain these necessary resources cost money and that is currently quite hard to find.
Excited; Neutral;	Neutral - because I have no previous knowledge of the strategy. Excited - because anything that can be put in place to help nature recovery at any level is important to me.
Motivated;	For some years we have been attempting to establish an LNR in our local area and the support from the Rushcliffe wildlife officer has been extremely helpful.
Neutral;	I don't think it will be implemented.
Excited; Motivated;	It seems to be an excellent idea, and we need more access to green spaces. The county needs to improve our environment.
Sceptical;	I have not been informed about the LNRS and I can only see 1 ancient tree plotted on the map for Cotgrave, I am skeptical of this as I believe there are more ancient trees in the vicinity and more opportunities within and proximal to the town itself beyond just the Cotgrave Country Park and canal.
Worried;	lack of detail on future planning implications unknown
Motivated;	Anything that promotes nature has to be a positive.
Sceptical;	So an external organisation gives a mandate to others to do something and we dilute focus to people at the council with limited interest? People who think it is just dreamt up by others not in the real world, there will be developers with influence over planning. opposing farmers who want profit
Excited; Motivated;	It looks like a comprehensive document that covers key areas of nature recovery in Nottinghamshire. My main concern of river degradation in the area has been tackled well, this can only be achieved though with S***** ***** *****
Sceptical;	Green spaces we have are disappearing before our eyes at the moment.
Excited;	I believe far more needs to be done at both local, & national, level to improve the environment, & better educate - & involve - locals in getting engaged with nature, with the aim of fostering healthier attitudes amongst the general public
Motivated;	I want to see an improvement in the way natural habitats are looked after / protected and will be watching out for ways I can help
Worried;	330 ha of tenanted farm land under threat. It is highly productive irrigate sandland producing potatoes, carrots, beetroot, maize and wheat. There is only limited land in the UK that can be used to grow potatoes, carrots and beetroot. Potatoes and carrots can only be grown on a field every 10 years
Neutral;	I'm not familiar with it
Excited; Sceptical;	Countryside is being ruined by more and more people accessing it, damaging plants and trees. Especially motorbikes and children creating pathways though the woodland areas that were previously undamaged.
Excited; Sceptical;	Admirable strategy but doubt that there is the political will to see it through. Will the result from the strategy have any enforceable criteria or actions.

Excited;	Because planning for nature doesn't happen very often, so this seems like a great opportunity for people to put decent conservation plans in place for the future
Excited;	The Local Nature Recovery Strategy has synergies with our work in flood risk management and delivery of sustainable drainage systems, as well as river restoration schemes where possible. Both the role of the LLFA and the LNRS can support one another to drive more delivery of BGI.
Motivated;	Lawton principles in action
Excited; Motivated;	Excited we are trying to keep nature in good health and motivated to help if I can
Neutral;	As a farming business we do a lot for nature so I sometimes think you are preaching to the converted. We did our first conservation scheme about 30 years ago. I don't see a lot of support for farming in LNRS
Excited;	A strategy for nature is clearly needed and only by consulting and formulating one will we get somewhere. We need connectivity across Notts for this to be meaningful. Enrich what exists, whilst creating new habitat rich areas.
Motivated;	anything that can further energise collective effort to protect and recover nature is welcome, and this approach feels like it is well-informed, well-supported and has some chance of making a positive impact
Motivated;	I understand the importance of nature recovery at a local cultural, heritage and habitat landscape level. I am hopeful that the strategy will be the springboard to more connected and collaborative working across Nottinghamshire, and give tools for organisation and public engagement in this work.
Neutral;	I am not very confident that the aims and intentions will be upheld and maintained by those involved.
Motivated;	We should protect all natural areas and wildlife
Excited; Motivated;	Protecting our wildlife and their habitats is so important.
Excited; Sceptical;	I agree that a LNRS is needed for the UK. we are so depleted of woodland / meadow, our rivers are in a state and all wildlife is in trouble. Any tool to help address this is very much needed. However, I wonder much it will be used and prioritised by developers, farmers, landowners and LA's. Funding?
Neutral; Worried; Sceptical;	Because we feel we have not been contacted and believe the LNRS has involved some of our land
Worried; Sceptical;	I own a small amount of woodland and farmland in Notts (*** **). The woodland is in a number of separate plots. 2 plots are shown incorrectly as part of **** *. I am concerned that you might not consult with me. 3rd plot shown as ancient woodland. VERY CONCERNED.
Excited; Motivated;	I'm passionate about the enhancement of our county wide and local green spaces. I'm an active local volunteer with our village community spaces group and keen to contribute to and support this agenda

Neutral;	It's important to improve the recovery of all matters regarding nature and the environment
Excited; Motivated;	I think that it is really positive that we are thinking about preserving our green spaces for current and future generations but also for the animals, birds, plants and insects that share the planet with us.
Excited; Motivated;	because i think this kind of thing is incredibly important and i want to do what i can to support it
Motivated; Worried;	I am involved as a member of a small local voluntary group working to increase biodiversity in our rural village, involve the community and help educate. We want to see more biodiverse gardens and public spaces including our churchyard. Support is good but there is organised noisy opposition.
Excited; Motivated;	There have been somewhat similar affirmations of intent over the years for nature recovery and most have achieved little. Even SSSIs have fallen into neglect owing to lack of funding or resources. I am hoping that this initiative will actually bear fruit.
Excited;	I'd like to see outside spaces and wildlife looked after.
Excited;	The LNRS will help to inform where needs targeting to ensure biodiversity and endangered wildlife is recovered, and will identify green spaces that need to be protected as we fight against climate change.
Motivated;	I'm pleased to see that action is being taken to try to reverse the decline in natural habitats and nature in general.
Motivated;	I think this is really important so our kids can enjoy all nature has to offer.
Motivated;	I already keep bees
Neutral;	It is difficult to get to excited about this when the governments intent seems to be one of carpeting the countryside with solar panels!
Worried;	We are a family farm and have always farmed traditionally and cared for our surroundings therefore we are to be greatly impacted by this proposal as our farm is unspoilt. The farm will be unviable as a business for generations and ultimately the nations food security will be impacted by such actions
Motivated;	There is so much to do including resisting pressures on an already stressed natural world.
Excited;	I have a life long interest in natural history including birds, insects, reptiles and flowers. I believe there are both social and economic benefits in having a thriving ecosystem. We are custodians of a precious asset, which once we lose it is gone forever.
Excited;	clear guidance
Motivated;	It is useful to have the information presented in a comprehensive and accessible format that could help more people to deliver nature's recovery.
Excited;	We all need to doing more to help repair our damaged County and help wildlife recover.
Excited; Worried;	I think there could be opportunities for farmers to become involved in the delivery of LNRS but they will need to be fairly remunerated for their actions. That is why I worry because the money is not there and what was once a non mandatory scheme may in the future become mandatory with comp purchase
Excited;	To many buildings being erected.
Neutral;	I do not know the details

Excited; Motivated;	I and my late family (*****_****) formerly of ***** **** in **** **** ***** near Newark, love nature and welcome nature-friendly development on my inherited pastureland and woodland situated on ***** ****, formerly part of ***** ***** *****.
Sceptical;	** ***** are actively promoting the land west of ***** ('the site'), totalling 14.84 hectares across two areas of land either side of ***** **** adjacent to the settlement. ** ***** raises concerns as outlined in the accompanying letter and response sent via email.
Worried;	I do not wish for my farm CPH**/***/***** to be forcibly involved in an new environmental scheme when the farm is committed to producing food and is involved in other nature enhancing schemes.
Neutral;	My interest is Nature Recovery of our Red Squirrels, the only way is education of the public, and leading organisations gripping the thorny issue of management of Invasive Non Native Grey Squirrels, I hope LNRS will address it, but I fear it will just be introduce Pine Marten and nothing else.
Excited;	This strikes me as a great opportunity to actually do something positive about nature recovery in my local area
Excited;	Finally, a proposal to improve biodiversity. Let's hope that this strategy improves biodiversity, within the County and that local communities engage more, with regards to the improvement of local habitats and green spaces
Motivated;	Always pleased to be involved in working towards improving the Green spaces of Nottinghamshire and enabling local residents to engage more.
Worried;	It is a good idea to have a strategy. It looks as though it has been thoroughly researched but I don't know if the detail is accurate. Is the danger that roads/vehicles and flytipping/littering on fields and roadside verges addressed in the strategy? I see lots of dirt and dead wildlife on roads.
Motivated;	Targeting priority areas for offsite BNG with funding available to incentivise action could unlock more opportunities for us to engage communities and contribute to nature recovery.
Neutral;	Other than interested parties or vested interests how much are the general public aware of or are involved in the process let alone have any decisive impact on the final outcome?
Neutral;	Because despite in the past there have been a variety of consultation for various subjects, comments from the general public/resident of Notts are very rarely taken into account and it feels like it is just a process followed "because you have to do it"!
Excited; Motivated;	Colwick Parish Council have considered the draft Local Nature Recover Strategy and are fully supportive of its aims and objectives. As a parish vulnerable to flooding, environmental protection and biodiversity enhancement are key objectives for the Council as set out in our Action Plan.
Motivated; Worried;	It is a strategy that is long overdue, however it lacks the ability to protect areas and that worries me. Landowners, planners and developers can ignore it, if they wish.
Excited; Motivated;	I am currently working on Derbyshire's LNRS so know first hand the value and positive impact they can have! There is a lot of incredibly good work for nature that can achieved through proper use of the LNRSs and I'm excited to see the nature recovery projects that stem from them.

Motivated;	Keen to protect green spaces/fields from over development.
Excited;	it should offer a great framework for nature and promote positive management of declining features and build on existing hotspots to engage people with nature
Excited; Motivated;	Nature connection is key and the use of greenspaces is key to achieve this.
Neutral;	I need to know how this strategy will influence development and conservation in practical terms. I am particularly keen to see how this strategy will influence the large area of solar that are proposed effecting mulple parishes and the determination of the application by the Planning Inspectorate.
Excited;	This is an important initiative that will help 1. increase biodiversity 2. sequester carbon by informed land management 3. increase mental well-being by increasing access to a green environment 4. increase awareness and participation in stewarding nature within an urban environment.
Motivated;	LNRS has the potential to deliver better more connected habitats that will benefit wildlife and build in resliance to climate change by allow wildlife to move through the landscape.
Excited;	It is exciting to see a plan which brings together the residents and businesses within Nottingham in an effort to undertake large scale habitat restoration or preservation. This approach reflects Lawton's report for bigger, better and more connected habitats.
Excited; Motivated;	It is important that nature recovers as much as possible in this country and any effort to do so should be encouraged. We are nature depleted and consequently at great risk of suffering catastrophich loss not least of both fertile soil and pollinators to enable food production.
Excited; Motivated;	The LNRS brings together a wealth of relevant information enabling local interested parties to quickly identify priorities both for habitat and biodiversity conservation & potential opportunities for recovery. It will enable engagement & collaboration to achieve maximum benefit for nature well done!
Motivated;	Mansfield District Council are currently reviewing their Local plan in particular housing allocations. One particular proposed housing allocation ref 376 is surrounded on 3 sides by Park Hall Lane LWS and fishing lake. This allocation cannot be allowed over 400 houses would greatly impact the LWS
Excited; Neutral;	It is exciting to see a comprehensive LNRS. The habitat map and the statement on biodiversity priorities are important things to have. I would like to see more on how the strategy can be implemented and actioned. What are the next steps?
Excited; Motivated; Worried; Sceptical;	We are excited about the prospect of new wildlife corridors being introduced in Forest Town to the west of Spa Ponds, but are unsure if it will actually be delivered given that some of this land could be used for housing as per the 2025 MDC Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA) .

Excited; Motivated;	I am passionate that our landscapes and habitats should be full of butterflies and moths (and as much wildlife as possible). We cannot keep on losing species at the current rate and still have functioning ecosystems.
Excited; Motivated;	Providing a mapped framework highlighting biodiversity actions which should be prioritised and spatially where they should take place will provide great value to residents of Nottinghamshire. As a university, it will help us to prioritise actions on our campus and habitat creation for BNG.
Worried;	I am concerned that you are going to take productive arable land and force the landowner to plant trees on it, and not give them a choice in the matter.
Excited; Motivated;	Shooting provides substantial benefits now for nature recovery and offers opportunities in line with the LNRS strategy, especially for woodland and farmland habitats. Shooting is a driver for farm diversification employing nature-based solutions as quality habitat is a prerequisite for the activity.
Excited; Motivated;	In my constituency of Nottingham East, I'm excited to see enhancements to accessible urban green spaces. Nationally, the proposed LNRS will allow a joined-up approach to local nature recovery and ensure that ecosystems, wildlife and the environment benefit across the country.
Motivated;	***** is supportive of the objective of enhancing biodiversity, however, we have some initial comments on the approach adopted to identify areas for nature restoration.
Motivated;	The statement/LNRS is extremely well put together, not just a document for professionals but for anyone interested in biodiversity enhancements.
Excited;	I think having access to green spaces, especially for city residents is incredibly important
Excited; Motivated;	Nature recovery is important now and for the future of our environment
Excited; Motivated; Worried; Sceptical;	There are a number of challenges, that if they can be overcome would be wonderful, but with ever increasing budget issues, and pressures on the environment these challenges seem to be getting harder, not easier to overcome.
Excited;	I want to see more done to protect natural habitats and prevent building on green spaces
Excited; Motivated;	I volunteer as much of my time as possible to looking after nature reserves and green spaces to help wildlife, flowers etc to thrive. It is heart breaking when authorities and firms like builders do not respect nature.
Motivated;	There is a lot of potential in the strategy but due to financial and political pressures how much will be activated.
Motivated;	Time is running out to make a significant change so we all need to prioritise nature and recognise how much we need it. But it is repeatedly deprioritised as if it's a 'nice to have' requirement so part of me is sceptical too.
Motivated;	Want to help to preserve the wildlife and habitats we have
Motivated;	I believe that flourishing wildlife is necessary for the happiness and well-being of humankind.

Excited; Motivated;	Having been involved with wildlife and conservation work most of my life I hope the LNRS will consolidate efforts / funding across the county to the benefit of wildlife and help to reverse the decline in biodiversity; highlight the considerable number of projects underway that people are unaware.
Neutral;	I'm not clear on how much weight the strategy will have once implemented, or whether there is any financial assistance available for land owners to encourage biodiversity on their land.
Motivated;	I'd like to help
Neutral;	I am unsure how it can be used to benefit our community.
Excited;	Looking after nature and species is very important and plays a very important part in protecting our climate and future
Sceptical;	Intent behind LNRS is great but disappointing that specific local knowledge of ACBs not included in favour of a largely generic landscape approach to defining those areas, this means a lack of specificity. But there's also a lack of consistency, some important watercourses and land types missing?
Motivated;	Good to improve where we can
Sceptical;	Blidworth Lane (Map ID: F5) is marked as an ACB area. Designated by Mapped Measure A/M2 and G/M4. Although the LNRS will not prevent / limit development taking place, given the current wind turbines on the site we consider the drawing of the ACB area needs to be reconsidered to reflect this use.
Excited;	The Trust welcomes the Strategy as a means to support identification and prioritisation of actions, and collaboration on work to protect and enhance the role of the Trust's waterways as valuable wildlife habitats.
Motivated; Worried;	The pond creation and restoration priority is simple, which we think is likely to work well. However, we're disconcerted by the mapping for the pond creation and restoration measure, which seems overly restrictive. Could a greater portion of the Strategy Area be earmarked for this measure?
Neutral;	Do not know enough about it
Neutral;	Please refer to our full response submitted via email.
Excited;	Because Notts is so nature depleted it represents a chance to try and reverse this
Excited; Neutral; Sceptical;	Lots of competing interests (solar developers, farmers, housing etc...) The land owners are not required to to anything so why would anything happen. A 85 page report must have cost a lot and is not very accessible.
Excited; Motivated;	It's great to see a plan for nature's recovery in the county that also has identified delivery mechanisms. It's has also identified the best locations for actions that are well thought through rather than just ad hoc opportunities presenting themselves that aren't ideal for habitat and/or species
Motivated;	Has potential.
Section 1) Introduction (Is the information in this section understandable, accurate, useable?) If you have answered "not very" or "not at all", how could we make it better?	

I will add a comment, stop writing in civil service speak write as a layman and this way you will get more on board. I was civil service and I rewire so many documents and changed them so anyone could read. Any long or little used words were removed. Think if the reader, not all have a degree.
Its fine
I haven't seen it but I can't now skip this part of the survey.
Understandable as education will allow. Accuracy no comment, not familiar with the data. Usability of portion appropriate to me is excellent information, however (a) that portion is relatively small and (b) the document is tricky to navigate (no mobile version). Also fig 4 map has unexplained lines!
The statistics are interesting but not sure how it makes it so I can use the information. This introduction should be summarized with bullet points, there are far too may words to make it impactful.
I started reading it then there were far too many pages!
The whole set of maps and information is mind boggling - however you expect the average 'man in the street' to answer I have no idea and I work for a locl authority and am used to confusing information but this is dire
Are there actions to increase plant-based options for all schools in the county? If this is not an option we are destroying more life and natural areas than we are saving which is insane and hypocritical.
Because the map is over complicated
Unfortunately DEFRA have not given LNRS any dedicated budget or funding so it isn't in any way clear what the advantage of any of this would be for a business to take part
Because such a Strategy is toothless if irreplaceable trees close to Sherwood are being cut down
Too many acronyms, and a lot of waffle - could have been much more succinct
Stakeholder engagement too narrow. No info on different sectors engaged . Appendix shows little engagement outside farmers and conservation. Need targeted engagement with landowners/managers in other sectors e.g. Town & Parish Councils, community groups, schools, churches.
To be honest, I haven't read it. Past experience tells me that these statements of intent are rarely carried through due to financial constraints. I am sure someone has spent a lot of time 'Cutting and. Pasting' statements from other worthy documents. We all know little will happen as a consequence.
There are a lot of jargon words like stakeholders. Who is a stakeholder? If they are residents of the county call them residents. What is a stakeholder driven approach?
All seemed very ideallic and not particularly realistic
The document is too long. Who is it aimed at? Could it be broken down into chunks that are usable by different groups, e.g. Housing developers, Farmers, Conservation groups, Homeowners, Road users, Horse riders, Council workers, Business owners.
How would a member of the public know whether the information was accurate or what was provided was not presented in a way that steered the reader in a particular direction? While an 81 page LNRS document is probably necessary for stakeholders is it not a case of OTT for members of the public?
I have absolutely no idea how me as a resident would use this information to help nature recover.
it is very complex and not so approachable for ley people

Having the map and documentation is certainly important. I am slightly concerned about how decision useful they are for non-experts. GIS expertise is required to use the map, and using the documentation requires some level of expertise across nature and how it intersects with the reader's discipline
It was a long read and the map was difficult to use. I live in Rushcliffe and if there was a section dedicated to each council I would have found it more interesting and helpful to concentrate on the area where I live
LNRS preparation process was the wrong way round, local input was requested last year but this has now been somewhat swamped by a generic landscape approach, somehow the local knowledge on sites needs to be recaptured, either now or in a full review in 3 years time, not 10.
Please refer to our full response submitted via email.
Section 2) How to use the LNRS (Is the information in this section understandable, accurate, useable?) If you have answered "not very" or "not at all", how could we make it better?
I noted some info i know to be accurate. The usable information was only alluded to and not directly pointed to. Maybe a hyperlink would help here.
The map is not clear or easy to use and it doesn't explain how to use it. Is this document an introduction to this or a tool? There are a lot of caveats which worry me as I can't see how its going to be enforced.
Its far too complicated and you will be talking to people who are not necessarily tech savvy.
Does this information actually help everybody to understand what has to be done? I think not.
By including community groups like the hucknall wildlife group and the whyburn farm campaign in you consultation and advertising this in areas where people are advocating a change in policy your councillors disagree with
There are few mapped measures in urban areas, so concerned that 'strategic multiplier' for BNG funds at priority sites deprioritises nature in urban areas, increasing disconnect with people.
Climate regulation only covers carbon sequestration. Need to include shading/cooling, flood alleviation.
It doesn't tell me as an individual anything to do.
The sections of the LNRS could be used in an interactive way with the map. E.g. Find an area that the user wishes to develop, protect or help in some way - click on the map and be presented with the issues and considerations affecting that area. Then given links to relevant sections of the LNRS.
Reiterating: A member of the general public would likely not know whether the information was accurate or biased? An 81 page LNRS document is not a suitable document for consulting with members of the general public or is that the objective?
It feels again as though me as a resident cannot help nature recover. There is a clause there for developers. In my experience developers do very very little to help nature. They are much about profit and if they stick a tree in they think that is it.
not entirely clear on the linkage of how it will drive change
The strategy is informative about the state of nature and priority areas, but it might be hard for a non-expert to use it to make good decisions
I want to help nature recovery in my area of Rushcliffe and not really interested in the other areas of Notts
More on how LNRS works in practice. Clarify that APIBs (not just ACBs) are eligible for BNG funding via LNRS to improve/extend/manage/monitor? Clarify that nature recovery activity can start now e.g. how to bank BNG credits. Need info on priority areas where owner is already aware/willing.

Section 3) Description of the strategy area (Is the information in this section understandable, accurate, useable?) If you have answered "not very" or "not at all", how could we make it better?
Clear and detailed, with links to connect with initiatives in place that are already doing some of the work. This helps build a picture of the social landscape of activities that contribute to the goal, and these links also show where money should be being spent.
As above
How do I know the information is accurate?
It suggests that all the habitat creating activities done by farmers since 1980 is to no avail. Species decline is frequently quoted but nothing about species that have increased such as hares.
We have to stop destroying my planet in everything we do and this strategy is not enough!
By listening to communities you are deliberately ignoring due to your development policies
Drawing lines and areas on a map without visiting or consulting the landowner (who understands the land best) is never a great outcome, key stakeholder involvement is key
Table 1 misses 2/3 irreplaceable habitats Ancient Woodland & Ancient & Veteran Trees. Welcome inclusion of scrub Lowland Calcareous grassland description misses Potwell Dyke Grassland LWS, rare in East Notts. It is Calcareous Lowland Fen w/ 300+ plant species. Correct Map to show as calcareous.
This is too repetitive.
It doesn't tell me anything about nature recovery on page 14. There is a typo on page 17, geoogy, instead of geology
INFORMATION IS INACCURATE ON OWNERSHIP/ NAMING - SEE COMMENTS
Please refer to accompanying cover letter.
It just tells me the area it does not do anything to make it better!
The document is very detailed and academic it would be more useful if tailored to the type of person or group that is trying to use the LNRS.
The types of habitat would be better presented on an interactive map - SSI areas highlighted, Nature Reserves highlighted, Irreplaceable habitats highlight
Rinse and repeat
Residents can't influence flooding is huge in Tollerton. The housing development removes woodlands and watercourses across Nottm City Airfield which is rife with wildlife some protected. This has not fed into the local plan and the developers plans do not protect the wildlife they obliterate it.
some of the mapping has missed out key areas of opportunity to the south of Newark and conversely appears to have mapped areas of urban expansion
The strategy is informative about the state of nature and priority areas, but it might be hard for a non-expert to use it to make good decisions
Figure 3 Nottinghamshire's geoogy (simplified) should be Figure Nottinghamshire's geology (simplified)

My only comment would be that under section, 3.9.3 - Prospects for recovery and current initiatives, that the University of Nottingham has been included as an example of current or recent initiatives but not Nottingham Trent University. Please can GCN conservation at Brack be referenced.
It could have been simplified.
Section 4) Pressures and opportunities (Is the information in this section understandable, accurate, useable?) If you have answered "not very" or "not at all", how could we make it better?
I can do my bit, but this has to be council driven also. Planning can change this! Each application has to be vetted on protecting the land and building to bring nature in.
Very clear and detailed info, accurate descriptions of the issues, great links, but again extremely difficult to navigate with mobile phone. Maybe colour coded icons would help distinguish what is a resource aimed at individual participation from those aimed at guiding business decisions.
If you expect the 'man in the street' to trawl through this to the end you are mistaken
How can I tell if the information is accurate?
How many people are really going to read all this page after page of densely-written screed and then take it all in?
Agricultural use of chemicals and fertiliser has declined over the last 10 years. Why do developers remove boundary hedges and replace them with wooden fences?
A good deal of work has been done under 'bee friendly Nottingham' but this is not mentioned. Also I think disused allotments, which are unattractive for growing or inaccessible for development have significant potential
Again, full of acronyms
Capacity' section. Much biodiversity loss is due to lack of capacity & funding for monitoring & enforcement of existing measures. Add this pressure & allow BNG funding to be used for monitoring & enforcement. Invasive species specify Himalayan Balsam. (Here & as specific watercourse measure).
Is this to read the whole of the section called pressures and opportunities or just page 41? This survey is not very clear at all.
It feels like you would need a degree in Environmental studies to make use of this part of the document. If that is what is intended, as it is to be used by professional architects, lawyers and developers etc. then ok... but it is too complicated for general use.
Rinse and repeat
As a resident I can do a thing about losing Nottm City Airfield's direct loss of habitats, recreational space used by the community for 75+ years. Woodlands and grasslands will change. Loss of greenspace. Along with wider issues when the developers release contamination into the two brooks.
This section is a bit more useful for understanding what drives nature loss, but could still be hard to make decisions and actions from
More info on specific local pressures/opportunities is needed. E.g. Specific Invasive species are a problem in which specific locations? Opportunity missed to add info regarding 'willing' landowner sites. Need to better link flood actions so that BNG credits pay for works rather than councils.
You recognise the need for variety but we will have nothing but fenced off solar around our area = not good for nature, removal of mixture of habitats therefore less diversity, therefore not only little opportunity for nature to recover but an increased decline.

Section 4) Pressures and opportunities Do you agree with the pressures and opportunities identified in the Local Nature Recovery Strategy? If you have ticked 'no' what have we missed?
At national level the opportunity for LNRS to be funded by BNG instead of private companies and landowners making profits
I think more needs to be done in balderton and lowfaild lane
I am not convinced it is necessary to rewild or reintroduce various animals such as adders. also large areas that are shown as important, are to be covered in solar panels which seems at odds with the scheme
I feel you have been too general doing it county wide.
Plant-based options in all institutions. Bike lanes across the whole county and lanes that are cleaned and maintained as much as roads.
The opportunities for the landowner must involve some very clear outlines, the also needs to be some honesty over the issues this will also present
No mention of increasing hedgrows in urban gardens. Instead 'wherever possible' install hedghog highways in residential fencing. There should be incentives and campaigns to bring back the garden hedge - especially in front gardens where they shelter wildlife from the road.
There should be more emphasis on urban creep, extensions, minor development etc and how that impacts habitat but also cumulatively increases surface water run-off (which then in turn has impacts on our rivers, water quality and increased flooding).
GNR, One Earth Solar!! You can not avoid this huge developments. You would not ignore the creation of a new town the size of Guernsey and yet you have not mentioned the combined effect of these.
Section 5) Priorities and Potential Measures (Is the information in this section understandable, accurate, useable?) If you have answered "not very" or "not at all", how could we make it better?
Again, please encourage people to bring wildlife in and new builds have to also tick these boxes!
Missed opportunities for funding sources - again at national level
It seems super overwhelming, maybe there's a way to show how timescale planning and networks of organisations could make these aims practicable?
Broadly agree with large scope of tree work and water work, but concerned about feasibility, and how costs may affect the willingness of partners and vol.s
I'm even getting frustrated with this questionnaire
How do I know if the information is accurate?
ACB measures are too broad to be useful (See 6) & also unambitious. Eg in Farmland SW of Southwell A/M2 & B/M4 are piecemeal actions. Habitat creation & regeneration is needed (Woodland (B/M1, B/M7, Grassland, F/M5, F/M8, Farmland G/M4, G/M5).
Can one disagree with apple pie and motherhood?
As a resident I do not see how I can use this information to help nature in my area!
again not very clear what driver will be applied
Using this requires some expertise on how nature interacts with the user's area of interest or business activities. More work would be required by the user to understand and make good decisions, it could be more easily translatable to actions

Typo on page 55 the 3rd table should be called 'Overarching Potential Measures'
Section 5) Priorities and Potential Measures
Do you agree with the Priorities and Potential Measures identified in the Local Nature Recovery Strategy?
If you have ticked 'no' what have we missed?
Education and enforcement of existing legislation - litter and vandalism contribute a great deal to the detriment of existing spaces let alone those to be worked upon.
Species selection is misinformed
See above, I think more needs to be done in areas that are already over developed
this question is too binary, i do not agree with all the priorities
Consultation needs to be with local landowners too whom run businesses in the area.
Other than regenerative farming, how else can the environment be enhanced while still producing affordable food?
We had a demonstration site at Gleadthorpe - DEFRA sold it!
H - Urban and Post-industrial Priorities and Potential Measures H/M5
Over-emphasis on new developments, ignoring value of existing buildings upon which 99%+ of Swifts in Nottinghamshire currently nests. Existing buildings are a critical habitat for urban birds, yet are not recognised as such.
Landowner involvement from the beginning should have been a priority, many have still never even heard of LNRS
Primary concern is that blanket approach to large areas (e.g. farmland and agricultural land SW of Southwell) has over-ridden local knowledge so action may be inappropriate. E.g. Potwell Dyke Grasslands Calcareous Lowland Fen is given Woodland B/M4 - completely inappropriate. Many other examples.
No mention of increasing hedgrows in urban gardens. Instead 'wherever possible' install hedgehog highways in residential fencing. There should be incentives and campaigns to bring back the garden hedge - especially in front gardens where they shelter wildlife from the road.
You need to include Grizzled Skipper in the species priorities list on page 71. Ironically you have a picture on p23 but GS needs very specific individual site management (ie it does not recover just because the overall landscape becomes healthier.). It is crucial it is a priority in its own right!
Invasive species action is covered by an 'overarching measure' (A/M3) but is also included as a woodland measure (B/M3). By that logic it should also have a specific watercourse measure (which should specifically mention Himalayan Balsam, signal crayfish etc).
Saving the habitat that Nottingham Airfield represents for skylarks and other ground nesting birds. As well as being an original meadow from the 1930s it is a unique habitat with wetland areas too and it deserves to be preserved
Please prioritise endangered and red-listed Swifts more highly in line with the Derbyshire Swifts team's advice, and as a minimum in line with the NPPG Natural Environment 2025 paragraph 017 with regard to swift bricks.
Section 6) Mapping of measures
(Is the information in this section understandable, accurate, useable?)
If you have answered "not very" or "not at all", how could we make it better?
I dont see how it will make any more difference than BAP initiatives to change the status of threatened and declining species

An illustrated example would be excellent.
I don't understand how works. If an area is on the map, what it means in terms of development or action in that area, or who is responsible for it.
The Legend of the Mapping needs to be clear in both a written and digital resolution. The colour and pixelation of the digital copy does not clearly and legibly discern one typology from another. Some are just too similar.
I found this section unclear and worry that urban areas will be omitted
How do I know if the information is accurate?
the mapping is not overly clear, it doesnt help that it has the N&S logo written all over it
Overall a very extensive report. It is so detailed that the document could sit on the shelf unused. I think it needs to prioritise the main points needing action as a focus for going forward.
Because land out forward to the culture minister for protection and discussed with Michelle Welsh mp isn't automatically included in this study or statement.
Map is awful to use
Inconsistent Watercourse measures: River Greet & Halloughton Dumble have measures, Westhorpe Dumble & Potwell Dyke (LWS and PBIBs) have none and need at least the same measures as the above. Also add back measures proposed by EA for River Greet in first map consultation (fish passes and wetland).
maps look incredibly complicated and difficult to navigate
Interactive map is very hard to read and follow - it is very clumsy to use and not intuitive. It is not accurate around Radcliffe on Trent as it does not include the plantation on the south side of the A52 which is a brilliant rewilding project!
It is very wordy and not written in plain English.
I like the interaction map much more than I like war and peace.
again refer to earlier comments on inaccuracy of mapping to the south of Newark , it has missed some opportunities and mapped areas of development
As above - some expertise is required in interpreting and making decisions on the content of the report. It may be hard for some users to understand how to best make decisions with the information provided.
Would be helpful if Map showed Local Green Space (LGS) designation and Strategic Green Infrastructure. We also want buffer strip measures, e.g. wildflower meadows, around Local Green Spaces to prevent encroachment (including agricultural run off) and allow light to reach the LGSs e.g. Spa Ponds
Whilst we are supportive of the objectives behind the LNRS and the potential measures, we consider the exact polygon shape illustrated on our Client's Site to be overly prescriptive and does not need to be implemented as such in order to achieve its stated objective. Please see representations.
Generic blanket mapping of certain measures diminishes credibility, needs more specificity based on local knowledge 'which sites are better and have a willing owner?' Clarify that APIBs (not just ACBs) are eligible for BNG funding via LNRS to improve/extend/ manage/monitor etc.
I always do what I can when I can to the best of my ability. Good to have this additional information to help steer me.
Please refer to our full response submitted via email

Section 8) Appendices (Is the information in this section understandable, accurate, useable?) If you have answered "not very" or "not at all", how could we make it better?
Glossary misses out essential technical terms like "measure" for the lay readership.
How do I know if the information is accurate?
These are not included in the draft document
Now that one has read the 81 pages of the LNRS there comes the Appendixes. This is not a public consultation other than the vested interests involved are members of the Great British Public. It reminds me of those who do not vote who say what difference will it make?
General background information that is informative and provides credibility tot he main report but perhaps not very decision useful
Errors in Appendix 5 'Identifying Priorities and Potential Measures for species recovery, e.g. Taxon: Crayfish Specialist: County Recorder for Butterflies - and Taxon: Dragonflies Specialist: County Recorder for Crayfish'
Section 9) The Local Habitat Map (Is the information in this section understandable, accurate, useable?) If you have answered "not very" or "not at all", how could we make it better?
I feel not enough has been outlined, we can do better and more areas allocated / identified.
Make the titled map measures clear what they are. Also, why are large woodland areas missing?
Not the map's error that I need to learn more geography. Good link.
There is no information attached to the areas of interest apart from what they are.
See previous comments about the legend and clarity. It is also important to recognise that the non-statutory designations such as LWS which have derived from NBGRC record information which is severely out of date, This needs to be updated by survey effort and private land recognised.
I could not get the map to work at all on my android phone
I am not going to continue on a website that does not give visitors the opportunity to refuse cookies. At the very least, reputable organisations enable visitors to continue to the site by accepting only essential cookies.
not easy to read
By including public interest land that should be protected even if it's at odds with council policies
There are areas of mapping that even on my farm make no sense
Map is difficult to use. Very offputting. The whole document is 86 pages long so almost deliberately designed to put off most residents. It took me over 2 hours to read and still cannot use the map. At some point it even told me the site and map had technical issues.
Add NCC's Thorney Abbey Farm Wood to map as APIB, w/ B/M6, BM/7, BM/8. For watercourses in (8f) extend C/M2 & C/10 along all. Add C/M1, C/M3, C/M8, C/M10. grassland & wetland measures for NCC's 2026 Southwell Flood work at ID:U7 Add BM9 to Norwood Park's 18 Ancient & Vet Trees (X469171 Y354697)

I think the map could be made better. Its not very visually appealing, and doesn't lead to a great viewing experience. Its a bit clunky. It doesn't load or look very well on a mobile device. I'm quite surprised NCC comms team have approved it? Consider using ESRI Experience Builder instead?
Perhaps redesign the map based on the layout of the following? https://theriverstrust.org/sewage-map . The current map is very data heavy, perhaps split it into say a number of separate maps, also have filters so users can select a topic area or location to view? Consider colour blindness of user?
I think that I must be the wrong sort of person for this survey. I don't see how any of this, so far, can show me personally how to improve nature.
I feel there are some data gaps in Nottingham City in terms of mapped areas and the "ACB" locations. This is particularly obvious to me around Phoenix Park and Broxtowe Park around existing watercourses and wetlands that don't appear to have been mapped or considered.
INACCURATE INFORMATION. NOT CLEAR ON WHAT THIS MIGHT MEAN FOR LANDOWNER.
uncomplicate the map and the key
See above it misses out the plantation area on the south of the A52 by Radcliffe on Trent. There is also a triangle of land just off the a52 by the old railway line that is identified as a local wildlife site but *****
I used postcode search to find Bestwood Country Park, this worked well. However, when I clicked the park on the map it said - no information available. I was expecting to see a summary of the the type of land, habitats and an inventory of species in the park that the LNRS is aiming to help recover.
"Do you agree with the areas identified on the Local Habitat Map ? (tick one only)" Where is the "do not know" option?
No idea how to use this map. Yes I can click all the layers but what is it really showing me and how do I use it to help nature in my area? Mind you I am a resident so no one will give a toss what I say anyway!
As before missed areas of opportunities to South of newark urban fringe and mapped areas of development . there is a lot of potential and ongoing initiatives which have been missed to provide greater accessibility and development of greenspaces in this area
Key will be keeping it updated with the progress
The usability of the map could be significantly improved, at the very least with better explanation of the different layers. It would be also good if the map were searchable.
The map is clear for an expert user like me. I can see how it is useful to identify priority areas for nature and relate it to the actions recommended in the report. Without domain expertise it may be hard for users to apply the information provided to make good decisions
Would be helpful if Map showed Local Green Space (LGS) designation and Strategic Green Infrastructure. We also want buffer strip measures, e.g. wildflower meadows, around Local Green Spaces to prevent encroachment (including agricultural run off) and allow light to reach the LGSs e.g. Spa Ponds
The proposed polygon on our Site would significantly limit the developable area of the Site, impacting its ability to meet an identified shortfall in industrial floorspace. The basis for the polygon shape remains unclear, and we question the methodology behind this. Please see representations.
I live in Bassingfield and only the water courses came up and yet we own a field which is on the Notts HER list and yet it did not show on your map.
It makes no reference at all to the multiple solar farms that are either approved or in the pipeline that will have a direct impact on local habitats.
It has made no reference at all to the Great North Road Solar Park or One Earth Solar, or all of the BESS and solar farm applications, that are set to impact on a very large part of Newark & Sherwood. These should be included on the map as a negative impact.

Add a map layer that shows where there is a landowner ready to act. Include areas where flood alleviation action is planned so that these can be part-paid by BNG credits rather than councils etc (i.e. taxpayers). Review locations at the parish/group of parish level with local people.
Alas there will always be information missing that is known to the locals. This will build up over time.
Are you aware that on a previous map someone in the Forestry Commission 'raised concerns' at the lack of tree and HEDGE planting in Laxton. Oops
It's can be tricky to differentiate the mapped measures when you have a few selected, the colours and hatching can be pretty similar
Section 9) The Local Habitat Map
Do you agree with the areas identified on the Local Habitat Map?
If you have ticked 'no' what have we missed?
I'd like to see more done at a local level - Balderton is seeing destruction of green space mass housing developments on Fernwood, lowfield lane as well as Hawton. New roads being built and nature disappearing No one seems to be able or wants to stop all this development. Nature is being pushed out
Large woodland areas
having difficulty identifying Lowfield Lane fields and meadows which need to be protected from development
Yes I'm sure they are correct, but what if I thought something should be added?
I couldn't read it - I would want to see all urban areas included as many of us have struggling wildlife populations and are losing mature urban trees at an unacceptable rate
We need lowfaield lane adding
seems very broad brush, especially the "may become important in the future" this is very vague
All of Lowfield Lane.
Who populated the map.....?
Lord Byrons hills of annesley
Described by the developers own ecological surveyors as the most diverse set of habitats she had ever surveyed
There are areas included and excluded that make no sense
I'm surprised at the omission of waterways measures on the section of Caunton Beck running through Eakring which seems a more significant water course than the branch to Kneesall which is included.
Lowfield area Balderton- I think!
More veteran trees could be identified and added to the map. Also urban hedgerows should be pin pointed as key habitats.
I feel there are some data gaps in Nottingham City in terms of mapped areas and the "ACB" locations. This is particularly obvious to me around Phoenix Park and Broxtowe Park around existing watercourses and wetlands that don't appear to have been mapped or considered.

SP/M2 SP/M3 SP/M13 B/M4 Under-representation of grasslands See email for details of above concerns.
** **** raises concerns with the mapping methodology, specifically the Woodland Mapped Features contained within the LNRS. Please refer to accompanying letter and response for further details.
See above - the plantation area to south of the A52 off Radcliffe bypass is a brilliant new rewilded area that is not covered. There is also no mention of the walkway from Radcliffe to Cotgrave which is a brilliant nature site. The Cliff Walk in Radcliffe and Lily Ponds also need including
The detail is in code and this makes it very difficult to understand.
I live next to Lowdham Grange Prison. Opposite my house there is a communal grassland/open space areas (we call 'The Green'). This area currently has A/M2 and B/M5 going right through the middle. I believe this is wrong. These measures which may see trees planted would ruin this area for the residents as before the area to the immediate South of Newark has been incorrectly mapped covering some developed areas and crucially missing major opportunities to not only protect and restore the rich existing wildlife around Lowfield Lane and the middlebeck corridor but also to provide greater reconnection
We are in the process of developing our priority sites for the next 5 years of our work. These may extend further than the areas you have identified, for example areas for BNG uplift and on 3rd party land. We wish to have a further discussion with you to assess how we can support your areas.
Would be helpful if Map showed Local Green Space (LGS) designation and Strategic Green Infrastructure. We also want buffer strip measures, e.g. wildflower meadows, around Local Green Spaces to prevent encroachment (including agricultural run off) and allow light to reach the LGSs e.g. Spa Ponds
We consider the exact polygon shape would not need to be followed exactly in order to achieve the identified objectives. High-quality landscaping and design at the application stage can play a key role in fulfilling similar objectives.
The following ACBs sites have been missed. 1) https://maps.app.goo.gl/nLbhLDZ1WN8KZ88k9 (Grassland linking a LWS to a LNR). 2) https://maps.app.goo.gl/KG8BatfJ7GWTbBkdA (Grassland adjoining a LWS). 3) https://maps.app.goo.gl/yHTAbEyzmWLcR3Xn7 (Mixed habitat adjoining a LNR/Ancient Woodland).
The Notts Wildlife Trust reserve at North Muskham, accessed from Manor House Drive, is not included. This is an important habitat within our village.
Missing key areas e.g. Southwell Potwell Dyke -add watercourse measures. Add invasive species watercourse measures generally. Flood alleviation measures north of Oxton. Add general urban area actions e.g. wildlife corridors, urban green spaces, playgrounds, hedges, verges, planters, allotments.
Please refer to our full response submitted via email.
Nottingham airfield meadow should be on it
11. If you have any additional ideas of things you could do yourself, or with others, to make the LNRS actions happen, please provide them below:

I believe we could increase by diversity and food security by including regenerative agriculture within the areas of solar farms. This is very common abroad and we do not really do it here. That are large number of farms proposed in the area so making these a whole lot better for the environment would be ideal. I am involved in sustainable hockerton who are trying to get permission for a demonstration site near hockerton. I will be very happy to discuss options and ideas.
I have good local connections, have been instrumental in creating a facebook group "Balderton Wildlife" recording local wildlife which now has 1.3K members, engaging with local centres to host art exhibitions, submitted a petition with over 2000 signatures objecting to a proposed development (which is now granted). I have a engaging personality and seem able to draw people in, generate enthusiasm and motivate people.
Happy to make my garden more nature friendly but at 86 with health issues am a little old to be very active in a group
Raise interest from charities (e.g. woodland trust) to support areas in the region.
Volunteer conservation group local to my area Balderton - I already help out when I can with litter picking - but would like to get more involved locally. To volunteer at weekends as I work, to learn new skills and meet people. Gardening club for women. Get children involved in nature and understanding nature. More planting to support pollinators - bees, use of spaces we already have to improve biodiversity. Offer training and education for children and adults
Educate on the 'right' kind of habitats to encourage in gardens.
Make the LNRS more collaborative; invite businesses, local authorities to view and consultant and start building these into their own work.
I can provide small amounts of wildflower seed from my own meadow
Involve community groups in LNR for both their own projects and also volunteering projects
Petition (shame) large housing/commercial developers - via social media into reducing profit margins and i crease contributions to local nature projects Also vastly improve design/layouts etc- eg ban hardscaping (eg fencing) and insist they use eg hedging Limit amount of block paving, increase areas of lawns etc
Creating community orchards and community gardens.Help local schools to provide for wildlife and encourage students to take part in nature and wildlife activities.Plant wildflowers and bulbs in local green spaces and grass verges.Adding more ponds around the area (small-medium).Put up some swift boxes, bird houses, bug & bee hotels and bat boxes on trees.
I firmly believe that whilst local district councils are on board, Parish Councils are not. They are often disparate groups of people, some of whom have a green agenda and some don't resulting in little action towards green initiatives. They need help and advice from people who know and understand the issues. We run a community garden locally and are willing to help but they never ask and neither are they particularly interested in what we do save for a couple of members.
The priorities around the county provide enough for a number of small groups to assist in making it happen - local parish and town councils, volunteer groups, young people and old can all take a role.
LPA planning policy must recognise the importance and well being to people and nature. Appropriate development is the only way to realise funds to support nature recovery in particular the removal of Invasive non-native species to restore native ecology and habitats. Planners do not seem to understand the interaction of other policies ie Green Infrastructure, Environment Act 1990 etc and the use of the planning system to assist nature delivery.

Bring together community groups to help and support each other.
Clear communication channels to make it easier to take part in volunteer activities
More support for community wildlife groups / 'friends of' associations; financial and manpower. The two groups I care for both face severe issues with resources - without access to necessary machinery for maintenance, entire fields have been overrun with brambles and weeds, rather than wildflower and other more positive environments.
Bullet points of key points would be more user friendly
Funding
Make wildlife recovery and enhancement compulsory in planning applications.
Introduce automatic Tree protection orders on every mature urban tree.
Run educational campaigns in urban areas where there are still bats and hedgehogs showing the public what they can do to help.
Encourage the creation of urban ponds
Promote wild flower areas and beehives. I would like my own hive!
Improve awareness of the general public especially around issues like putting the right tree in the right place, mowing regimes and use of chemicals.
More information should be sent to individual households
I would like my land taken off the plan until we have been properly consulted and surveyed so that we can move forward together.
I would like Notts County Council to stop mowing everywhere except where it is absolutely essential for driving visibility or access.
More publicity for eating less meat.
Tax on single use plastics and non-recyclable packaging.
Grants to help groups or individuals diversify their land.
Working with parish council on wilding. Surveying footpaths and condition of local signs, stiles and bridges - to reportatively engaging with solar proposals as interested party (opposing and seeking huge mitigations)
Going vegan is the least you should do and has the greatest impact on saving my planet.
Cannot think of anything. All a bit overwhelming
Involve local businesses who are profiting from destroying wildlife and their habitats
Create relatable story telling to allow each area to incorporate LNRS targets. Although you have priority areas and species, connectivity should be highlighted and resource/materials provided to allow more community groups to establish.
You need a special meeting with the hucknall community for your strategy to mean anything at all
Nature and its 'theoretical' recovery needs to clear in terms of what we are trying to recover it to? Pre-Ice age, Post-ice age, 100 years ago? A starting point would be helpful, and then considering we are a business there needs to be some very very clear short, medium and long term benefit to the business, not just to nature. A farm can't be green if its finances are in the red

Very worried about lack of water for wildlife especially in this dry spring when we have seen many water courses dry up.
More could be done to encourage people to be more aware of this, to put water out in their back yards or gardens or water nearby trees.
A general lack of awareness and a feeling of hopelessness exists.
People may not have time or be happy to run/attend groups but would happily put out water or plant berried shrubs etc. and be rewarded by seeing the increased wildlife.
Please stop using acronyms :-)
I can ask the company I work with to support the changes I am trying to make to our land management practices. I work in an educational establishment (Nottingham College), so I can try to get teachers on board to embed the local nature recovery strategy into their lessons. For example, I am working with a swift conservation charity to make displays for our construction students telling them about the difference built in swift bricks, bat boxes and bee bricks could make if installed in buildings
Help to make green corridors through my village if South Scarle and ANYTHING in my area and the Lowfield Lane Balderton area
Please establish a Stakeholder Group of Nottinghamshire local government Councillors who have interests in supporting the LNRS. As a Network, we could support measures for land in the public realm, amplify your engagement with other landowners in our areas (e.g. schools, churches, farmers), enable connectivity with other planning initiatives. We could also share best practice and resources with each other.
A bit on the old side
Not advertised enough to get people involved so no idea as yet how to help
I would like to see sponsorship opportunities for community groups for tree planting
I commend to your attention the Notts Wildlife Trust for its practical work in 'rewilding Notts', including the use of habitat management techniques.
Would be quite happy to be involved in work to improving the Local Habitats web map, to make it a better user/viewing experience?
I can only answer for part of Beeston because there are many areas/localities I don't really know, but there needs to be more information out there. I think pop-up displays supported by trained volunteers in empty shops and public spaces would be a good way to do it. For the record I champion Nottingham City Transports 35 bus route and publicise its 'wild side' (35 locations) and have led a few '35 wild walks'. You can find my map online at BeestonDestinations.substack.com .
We can try and do some of these things while I am at work with the children but we only see them at certain times. We are planting wildlife friendly plants we are getting hedgehog houses making a over fly lagoon feeding and putting water out for the birds growing veg and flowers we planning a small pond with different habitats Lots of things planned
Work in improving the online habitat map, to make it a better viewing experience for users? Consider accessibility of users who view the map eg colour blindness - include colour blindness colour palettes etc? Bear in mind that most people access the NCC website on a mobile device, the map doesn't load very well on a mobile device in my opinion. Too much data has been put on the map (no fault here!), but perhaps consider how the data is presented/laid out to make a better viewing experience?

Increase hedgrows in urban gardens. 'wherever possible' install hedghog highways in residential fencing is a very weak opportunity and should not be accepted as satisfactory - it is bare minimum. There should be incentives and campaigns to bring back the garden hedge - especially in front gardens where they shelter wildlife from the road. Show people how easy they are to maintain ot offer maintenance services.
Better use of social media platforms - to start conversations; to educate people with reliable (& sourced) correct information; to clearly & definitively debunk urban myths about nature/wildlife
Teach countryside code in schools and on signposts. Encourage users to stay on designated pathways. Police to stop motorbikes using woods.
options overlook activities related to built environment - eg to help bats and swifts - and those in our homes and other living/working spaces - which can help conserve water, reduce pollution etc. Clearly there are a whole load of lifestyle actions that can help nature, some with a more local impact than others.
I have skim read due to time constraints. Ignore if these things are covered already Please add better management of Himalayan Balsam along the River Greet Southwell to the map. It needs urgent action from landowners. Reducing use of Glyphosate by VIA EM along roads and pavements. They need to seek alternative methods of vegetation control Reduced mowing on grass verges by farmers. Managing healthy hedges by farmers rather and an annual flail Education and support for gardening for wildlife
As a joint landowner, I would like to help promote nature-friendly development (highway and if possible a small housing estate incorporating Beacon Wood) to all interested parties, such as Newark & Sherwood District Council and housebuilders such as Bloor Homes, Barratt Developments, William Davis Loughborough.
Why have you used GDPR as an excuse not to reach out to farmers and landowners?
It just needs a legal framework behind it. The overall document is brilliant and a lot of work has gone into it but I sadly really struggle to see how this will protect our nature from developers as there is no legal force to it from what I can see.
Adopt an unloved green space and work with local authority to make a specific plan to help nature.
My health now excludes me from much activity but not of course from filling in questionnaires.
Colwick Parish Council is committed to leading and supporting our community in enhancing the local environment and quality of life for all residents. Our new Action Plan sets out "Environment & Planning" as a key theme with the aim of "providing stewardship of the local environment and biodiversity, and ensuring development is sustainable and aligns with community interests". Our objectives within this theme include enhancing biodiversity & promoting local awareness of climate change.
i manage all the local wildlife sites on Lowfield Lane and have had no support or funding to maintain this . this area is currently not mapped and i would implore you to do so to protect this incredibly rich biodiverse area, which has the support of the local community over 1400 members on the facebook group sharing wildlife photographs. It is a perfect example of a rich accessible urban fringe area used by so many that can also link with other wildlife corridors and deliver multiple benefits

We have a lot of established partnerships in the region and want to utilise these more to help action the LNRS. We want to your LNRS to develop our species recovery plans. We can share our mapped plans offline outside of this survey and welcome a two way discuss on this.
Species reintroduction - River Trent Beavers. Pressure on central government to fund nature correctly, bring back SFI or some incentives for private landowners to mange their land for nature - increase inspections to ensure it is done accurately. Nature recovery focus groups
I'd like to see local councils stopping using weed killers to control unwanted plant growth in urban areas. Use of strimmers or other manual aids should be used and some of the money allocated to LNRS should be allocated for this purpose. Urban gardens could be a rich source of pollinators and wildlife and efforts should be made to educate people to increase biodiversity in gardens by introducing wildflower areas, using hedges rather than fencing and walls and discouraging insecticide use.
Identify locally any additional habitats or species not already recorded to help to evidence any progress towards nature recovery goals.
I will email a letter to LNRSNN@nottsc.gov.uk that outlines how shooting is a key ally in the delivery of the LNRS and that BASC are interested in collaborating with partners to that end.
We have prepared representations on behalf of ***** in respect of the Site known as Land at *****. I have sent these across via email for your view. ***** welcomes the opportunity to continue to be involved in the LNRS plan-making process. However, to ensure the proposed measures are appropriate and are capable of being successfully incorporated into the design of the Site, these representations question the underlying methodology for the proposed green infrastructure.
Talk about and share learnings and experiences with others to bring more people on board
Helping inform and engage local councillors and others, actually being involved in actions on my own land, setting an example for others.
12. Is there anything else that you would like to tell us about the draft Local Nature Recovery Strategy?
Please do more and involve planning fully, they have to be completely engaged in this.
We have already set up our own nature reserve in Gunthorpe, now slow the traffic down on the A6097 to reduce the pollution. It's the one area that has been ignored.
We need to make sure the council on all its ground does not use pesticides. The use of glyco phosphate in particular is very harmful and should be stopped immediately by either council and all its contractors.
Please could you re-consider the remaining area of Lowfield Lane. It's a naturally beautiful lane, not manufactured, it's accessible to all and take a few moments to view some of the wildlife present there on our facebook group.
I think it is a brilliant idea and I just hope lots of people get involved
I would like to know more about specific plans and not just processes and broad principles.

The document is wordy the summary document is good - do you have an easy read version for those that might require this or available in different languages ? How are you going to promote this. We need to bring the community together, educate and become actively involved In protecting nature before it's too late
The health of our rivers and the biodiversity they support is a real concern. I hope our rivers, streams and other freshwaters can be prioritised, to benefit both people and nature. Thank you for this opportunity to comment, and good luck!
I found a greengage fruit tree on the site. I don't think people are aware of it. There are lovely plum trees too. If these are kept you could make jam with the fruit to raise money. The blackberries are often picked by local people to.
Hundreds of hours of well meaning effort by hard working, knowledgeable staff, but how will it have any more impact than the current initiatives. LNRS needs to be funded directly by BNG through a straightforward tax on development (not the current ridiculous system that is in operation) and removal of farm stewardship to obligatory requirements on landowners to deliver biodiversity. This is not a Nottinghamshire issue - it is a national scandal and after nearly 40 years of scheme after scheme and nothing working - LNRS is just the latest that will make no difference.
Introduce financial incentives to local residents/businesses to roll out green projects
In my opinion, it is too long. I would suggest that you have a page or two which precis the information provided in the full document.
Glad it's begun, wish it had more teeth, some ecocidal activities need to be handed punishments or deterrents that really work.
In order for it to be meaningful in consultation it needs to be much more 'punchy' in layout and information. To me, most people wouldn't be bothered to plough through all that information, which will then mean no feedback... is that the intention??
There are repeated caveats about how this is not a delivery plan and won't force people to comply, which is worrying. Is it a box ticking exercise?
Invasive non-native species are a very significant threat to biodiversity and nature recovery. The removal of these species and replacement with native planting should be afforded the highest priority and invasive non-native species should be weighted as a significant negative score in an updated BNG Metric. Invasive non-native species should also be prioritised in all policies for removal.
We are looking at how we can remove the 'designations' since already do this work we do not wish to be forced into a position where we cannot afford to be.
The council contractors who perform the work need greater understanding about biodiversity and ecology. They continue to destroy plants and habitats with their machinery, rather than sympathetic gardening. They are key to ensure what the council says and what actually happens are consistent.
Just to reiterate how important it is to protect urban wildlife. Much of urban Gedling has only been urban for a few decades and populations of deer, Badgers, hedgehogs are trying to survive in ever shrinking habitat. Without human intervention they risk starvation or isolation from other breeding populations. We need wildlife corridors across the city and the suburbs joining up these habitats. Council owed parks could do more to provide habitats for wildlife by rewinding parts of the parks and introducing ponds and wetlands.
Just make it simpler
It is ridiculously long and densely-worded. I doubt that most people would be bothered to read through 80 pages. Even fewer would have any chance of retaining everything in it if they survive through to the end.

its interesting that there seems plenty of money to throw at this but the successful SFI scheme that took 8 years to produce and implement at great expense, was scrapped after 2 years, and will probably take years to replace given how fast government works. This was probably the best vehicle ever created in the UK to promote improved wildlife and enviromenal improvements whilst also helping farmers remain solvent, it was a bargain to the taxpayer
Promoting and caring for more nature reserves and beehives
Stop the building at nottingham airport as they're loads of important wildlife that vistry would destroy if they get planning permission to build loads of new housing
We need action not words. Common sense doesn't need grand gestures and schemes.
Some very special places are being given over for building which is wrong and they need protection! Brown sites are better for building green spaces need more protection
I am looking forward to reading the whole thing...and will answer 7-10 then
The strategy seems good. I would however like to see more focus on connecting those in the city with nature. Schemes like the Nottz Garden Project are doing great things to bring nature to those in urban areas. Although this may not directly affect and improve habitat on a large scale, it will educate people to the benefits of nature and what they can do to help. This can improve attitudes and cause them to respect the green spaces they visit. Urban wildlife is also very important.
Please encourage Rushcliffe Borough and East Leake Parish Councils to stop allowing the early annual mow of Meadow Park. It always happens just as all flowers are in bloom in the summer. It should be left until autumn. They should also be ordered to stop mowing everywhere that is not essential. I tried to stop this from the inside (as a Parish Councillor) and failed to achieve through lack of support.
Just curious how little considerations is given to the devastating long term impact of 'industrialising' our north notts landscape . The entire Trent valley here and across the border in Lincolnshire is being devastated- and DeFra don't seem to be engaging positively to help / halt proposals at government level.
It must be available to all schools and businesses.
Lot to take in and not sure what impact it will have and who will.use it.
Urban and Post-industrial Priorities and Potential Measures recognises the 4 red-listed urban birds: house sparrow, starling, house martin and swift yet only recognises new developments as a potential site for universal nest bricks as breeding sites for these species. What this ignores is that the vast majority of these birds in urban environments are nesting on EXISTING buildings yet this habitat is totally ignored in the LNRS. This is a fundamental misunderstanding which can only result in decreases in the populations of these species as existing buildings are renovated and vital nests lost.
That its politically and economically motivated
I would delay its finalisation to make sure every single landowner is individually contacted. You won't get the buy in, to push this strategy through if you rush it without a proper consultation period.
The power of ordinary individuals, who may not want or have time to volunteer or attend groups, is being overlooked! I feel this is hardly touched upon and therefore neglected in the strategy which most is aimed at big organisations or local groups. Many are desperate to help but are unaware of simple

things they can do to make a big difference. Putting out water when it is dry. Watering local trees in times of drought. Gaps in fences and gates for wildlife to come and go. Planting berry shrubs and pollinators. Social media ads but also simple posters on notice boards work!
Please keep me updated.
Support for local communities and volunteers to engage with local land owners and managers to collaborate on nature recovery projects.
Many do not know about it, even when working in similar area such as green social prescribing
The strategy is 82 pages, plus the appendices - this does not make it an accessible document for most of the public, and therefore by definition is not inclusive - perhaps that's the intention to limit public involvement. I could count on one hand the number of times Hucknall was mentioned and the key areas surrounding our town, and on several places, we are swept under the heading of greater Nottingham. There's little mention of how the compatibility of the maintenance/creation of these areas with the Government's stated intention to build 1.5 million homes.
Are landowners/involved parties going to be expected to find training and funding themselves to make these changes? For example: farmers adopting regenerative practices? Because these are skills that need to be learned, and there are costs involved.
No
It's too difficult for most folk who would be interested. Particularly the map. I would also like some interest in ancient lowland grassland and SSIs in both my areas of Lowfield Balderton and South Scarle. I support Mr ***** and am in the group that he heads to protect the old meadows in Lowfield area. He has managed to highlight one of my areas on your map so please refer to this.
Nottingham City Council's Planning Policy Team have no objections to the draft LNRS, but please see comments in the email from ***** sent to ***** on 11/6/25 about F/M3 and H/M2 (too long to fit in this text box and includes screen shots of map). Thank you.
There are no grassland measures across Southwell Area. F/M1-4 need adding & priorities incl. - Potwell Dyke Grasslands (PDG) and Brinkley Pond, both Lowland Fen, & LWS & APIBs. - ACB of Farm/woodland that SW of Southwell. NTU Brackenhurst is there & can support. Urban measures should be added to ID:U7, including reduced herbicide HM3 (which the council is partially implementing) and measures associated with built environment (HM4- 12) which are consistent with Southwell's revised Neighbourhood Plan.
I live in Farndon, Newark, and can say that a lot of effort already goes into wild life preservation, carried out by our local group
Doing all this yet the council mow everywhere within an inch of its life - lost opportunity
I am much encouraged to learn of this positive step towards improvement.
include references to public transport wherever you can.
Have you included enough detail of the local environmental groups working in Newark and Sherwood? You have listed NSDC and FOST which is great but what about Green Southwell and Farnsfield Community Spaces and indeed the role of Farnsfield Parish council with its biodiversity action plan
It definitely needs much better support & endorsement at Government levels - otherwise it is a 'Bulldog with no teeth'! Clearer identification of ways to successfully engage all sectors potentially affected - farming; planning/development (new-builds, etc) - & enforcement of regulations is needed Better use of social media platforms, & education - to successfully engage & educate the public - to encourage public support for these initiatives

In places I couldn't state honestly that I totally understood what was written- I am just a local resident interested in what's happening, not an environmentalist or farmer.
No, good luck with it and I hope the new NCC administration support all the work, research and accurate information that have been gathered and included within it
congratulations and best wishes!
Elements around how organisations will collaborate together to give 'one excited view' seems weak - would like to see more insight here. Think there are also gaps in the narrative around how people engaging with nature through better access, training, wellbeing and future engagement supports not only nature recovery but sense of unique place.
Turning front gardens from grey to green - see Green Southwell campaign on website More emphasis on EVERYONE being responsible = not just farmers, developers, councils. Private gardens area massive space potentially for wildlife. More and better protection for trees - see Woodland Trust campaign. For soil health have you consulted with the Soil Association for the farming section? Species lists seem quite narrow - seems to me ALL wildlife should be a priority - bees, pollinators, butterflies, birds etc Heathland - dog mess, litter, fires are the issues Neonics - big issue for beet in Notts
Not really. It seems to be a very thoroughly comprehensive document
It will only be properly delivered if considerable funds are made available to do so by Government through ELM, Species Grants, EA/NE etc.. The Strategic Significance Multiplier may have unintended consequences for less BNG delivery.
I believe that there is huge potential to make Beacon Hill in the future Newark East suburb a beacon of nature conservation integrated within new housing.
***** would welcome the opportunity to engage further with the development of the Local Nature Recovery Strategy (LNRS). We would appreciate the chance to review and provide feedback on future drafts ahead of formal adoption to ensure the strategy is informed by practical development considerations.
1. As a dairying business, the dairy that purchases my milk already has carbon and biodiversity requirements needing to be fulfilled as a prerequisite to them purchasing my milk. My dairy business will not be able to undertake two sets of requirements (unless they can be double counted!) 2. Why are natural environment habitats that are already well managed and species rich being mapped into the shceme>
I searched for Squirrel in the draft priority species list. There were only 2 references, there was no mention of the impact of SQPV on nature recovery of our Native Red Squirrels, I feel this is a big omission. Education is key to getting land owners on board and we need the public to be aware of SQPV.
It is a bit 'faceless'! I'd like to know who is going to be accountable for it and make any of it happen. Although it is a quality document it still feels like a box ticking exercise and not something that will actually drive beneficial change in the county. A great example is that currently a large parcel of land next to Skylarks nature reserve/Holme Pierrepont country park is up for sale. If the powers that be were serious about nature recovery that land would be bought by public funds (govt/councils/rspb/wildlife trust and turned into a nature reserve but nothing is being done instead!

As I am not an expert in the subject then no. Though one point I would like to make is that new housing developments now seem to include so called balancing ponds. What part could they play in improving biodiversity in an area?
I see the LNRS should feed into the Local Plan! We have a 95 year old Nottm City Airfield in the plan! There is so much wildlife that will be wiped out. Ground nesting birds. You cannot just flatten a whole area, kill off habitats and expect the wildlife to clear off somewhere else. It is an important breeding ground and wintering site for endangered birds (linnet, yellow hammer, skylark, lapwing, curlew). Also hares, deer, otters, badgers, newts. Once excavations commences contamination from 1200 buried WWII planed will end up in the watercourses as ***** * *****.
Once adopted we would welcome further discussion on how we can best support at a local community level. Like many other town and parish councils, we believe that local councils have a unique and positive role to play in helping principal authorities and other stakeholders reach out at grassroot level to raise awareness and stimulate activity to support the aims and objectives of the strategy, enabling local people to positive affect and enhance their environment and quality of life.
There seems little opportunity to identify areas that should have been included on the Local Habitat Map. Responsible authorities must ensure that the consultation allows for local intelligence to inform the process and so maximise opportunities for nature to recover.
I live next to Lowdham Grange Prison. Opposite my house there is a communal grassland/open space area (we call 'The Green'). I think this is owned by the prison but they have nothing to do with it. This area currently has A/M2 and B/M5 going right through the middle. I believe this is wrong and would like to see this changed. These measures which may see trees planted would ruin this area for the residents. Instead I suggest this areas is covered by measures B/M6 or H/M2 to keep this area a relatively uncut grassland and a natural hub for pollinators/insects/house martins/swallows etc.
Please listen to and acknowledge the views of the local community in designating these areas. It should provide a great opportunity to incorporate an area where the local community already cherishes and values its wildlife and greenspaces and there are multiple opportunities to take this forward with willing partners for multiple benefits
The maps could all do with major conurbations marked on them for reference.
Is there a possibility to link in with BUGLIFE beelines as these aim to create linked habitats across the whole of the UK to see if the identified 'potential habitats' in Nottinghamshire align with these and if not could we change or add in more 'potential habitats'. Training potential surveyors not just in the usual species covered e.g. plants, birds and mammals but in invertebrates as some many of the birds and mammals rely on invertebrates.
We feel there is a lot of value in working together to bring the most value in the Nottinghamshire region, particularly: - Social Value - Citizen science (this is an aspiration) - Species recovery -Biodiversity net gain -Forestry (eg commonweath) -Agriculture and catchment management -Influence on 3rd party land with established partners - Utilising the strategy for best practice for land management of our own land in the Notts region

Important to educate people to encourage wildlife friendly gardening and discourage "neat and tidy" being the aim. Simple ideas such as hedgehog highways are essential. I also think more emphasis should be on creating wildlife corridors rather than pockets of habitat. Restoring continuous waterways is an obvious way to do this. Another way is to create rewilded areas around roads and railways. Burning moorland to make it suitable for grouse should be stopped as should the introduction of pheasants for shooting purposes. Introducing vast numbers of non-native species for sport is reckless.
I am sure that this will be a living document to a degree and will hopefully document any future projects and initiatives to evidence any nature recovery and benefits that arise as a result of the strategy.
Protect all LWS in particular Park Hall Lane LWS Mansfield Woodhouse. Mansfield District Local Plan should not be allowed to allocate over 400 houses to land that is surrounded by an LWS this would be disgraceful
This is generally a great standalone doc and map. There are some ways in which it could be clearer and more easily applicable to businesses, landowners and other stakeholders who might use it. Nature is important, but for stakeholders who have lots of different and competing priorities it is always hard to see how nature can fit in, and even help improve/deliver on other priorities. There's a real opportunity here for us to optimise land use on large scales and make sure all our needs are met but we're still not quite there
We appreciate the collation of relevant documents and data and can see that a great deal of work has gone into producing this draft.
To continue my feedback for section 3. It would be great to include reference to Great Crested Newt conservation works at NTU as an example of a current initiative. GCN are listed as a species of importance and it is a great example of the measure D/M6. Further information can be found on the NTU website: https://www.ntu.ac.uk/about-us/strategy/sustainability/ntu-sustainability-stories/great-crested-newt-conservation-at-ntu
It's important that Local Nature Recovery is prioritised at a local level through focussed and evidence-based work. This must be a joined-up approach to ensure biodiversity is improved across the country. The Local Nature Recovery Strategies (LNRS) will have a hugely positive impact on Nottingham, Nottinghamshire and its residents, who will benefit from local nature recovery.
Whilst LNRS objectives supported in principle, clarification of the mapping methodology is necessary. Assurance is sought that habitat measures won't hinder delivery of vital industrial development on our Site, which is currently being promoted for development through the plan making process. The proposed polygon is overly prescriptive. We propose relocating these measures east, along the railway, to balance biodiversity goals with development viability, thereby allowing green infrastructure and biodiversity net gain while retaining flexibility in site design and minimising planning conflicts.
The Local Habitat Map has relied upon data, some of which is out of date. One LWS in my area has been sold by the County Council for a housing development, along with adjoining school playing fields, which are identified as an ACB. Accuracy in the map is important and its ongoing maintenance is vital, if it is to become a material consideration in the planning process. This consultation response is supplementary to my earlier submission under the same email address.
Make your voice heard regarding the forthcoming planning application for the Tollerton / East of Gamston Development and the implications of the loss of wildlife habitat this will bring by developing nearly 500 acres of land, of which half is grade 3 farmland. This is home to hares, pheasants, rabbits, deer, mumjack, barn owls, nesting birds such as skylarks, cuckoo, reed warblers swans, ducks in the Polser Brook which forms a boundary to the development: butterflies and dragonflies, bumble and honey bees pollinating the crops and bats in the pillboxes. Not enough characters to continue.
My main point to make is about the Tollerton City Airport redevelopment. Whilst I agree that the site may not be suitable for housing development I also think flying should not be allowed as it gives a serious public health hazard from lead pollution caused by the aircraft fuel (AVGAS)

I think it's a very good plan and hope it happens. Careers associated with nature recovery and management need to be better profiled. The management of land, species etc is so important. I worry that the current government does not take green management seriously especially with their quest to sweep away ecology in planning in their pursuit of building more and more houses. I would like my grandchildren and their children to live on a sustainable planet with lots of nature helping the planet and for them to see and enjoy trees, flowers, birds, butterflies, insects, mammals etc.
Good but I feel a bit of a missed opportunity and too generic in places, not to repeat points already made but I do think this draft needs more:- local specific info (and local engagement on those local specifics)- info on landowner willingness (I do think this is key to ease of use)- joining up with future flood alleviation works to save council's money- info on how the LNRS - BNG credit process will actually work in Notts - how to bank credits etc. That should be made clear so that landowners don't just sit and wait.
Where is information related to solar and the devastating effect these are having on nature. You show an area in NSDC as ACB matching the GNR solar farm. ALL nature/life is dependant on that top 6 inches of soil, soil is matured by the sun and weathering and yet the solar panels will obscure this for 40 yrs. In addition to GNR there is One Earth Solar = way too much! The natural corridor for nature will be barred by the fencing proposed = no pipeline. Any advancements you propose will be negated and more by these proposals. You should not shy away from voicing this because it goes against Gov.
The Canal & River Trust has had a lot of input to the LNRS and was involved on the steering group. We welcome the Strategy as a means to support identification and prioritisation of actions, and collaboration. In view of our network providing significant connectivity, we welcome the Overarching Priorities, and identification of some sites as ACB's, where they're not APIB's. Some Priorities and Measures for watercourses, such as C/M11 (managing canals such that they retain water if in danger of drying out); and C/M5 (remove or modify obstructions to fish passage) will require collaboration.
***** would welcome the opportunity to engage further with the development of the Local Nature Recovery Strategy (LNRS). We would appreciate the chance to review and provide feedback on future drafts ahead of formal adoption to ensure the strategy is informed by practical development considerations.

Email Responses (summarised)
Request for more clarity about the relationship of LNRS to updated Planning Practice Guidance. Concerns about insufficient engagement with Landowners and restrictive online survey. Concerns about the overlap of layers on the Local Habitat Map and possible prevention of development. Request more clarity that land is not 'designated' by the LNRS. Queries about the LNRS mapping process.
Concerns about the priority of mapped areas in the LNRS over future development.
Proposed site at Southwell.

Concerns about the correlation between habitat terminology in the LNRS with UKHABs. Concerns about mapping of measures over built up areas. Request for additional grassland areas to be identified to address the under representation of Grassland in the East of the County.
Request for more clarity about the relationship of LNRS to updated Planning Practice Guidance. Site specific query in Mansfield.
Suggestion to adjust mapping of measures on a specific site at Edwalton.
Site specific query at Cotgrave. Further guidance requested as to how the strategy should be interpreted by planning authorities.
Welcome combining data from Historic Environment Record (HER) and National Heritage List England (NHLE) with ecological records. Queries about evidence base used for identification of Heritage assets. Suggestion of opportunities to enhance the historic environment through identifying opportunities to deliver nature-based recovery which enhances the preservation environment of less visible heritage assets (i.e. buried archaeological remains).
Further guidance requested about how the LNRS will be interpreted by planning authorities. Site specific query at Rainworth.
Site specific query at Awsworth.
Concerns raised about the interpretation of the LNRS to preclude development. Site specific queries.
Landowner request to exclude estate from the Local Habitat Map.
Statement of support for the LNRS.
Landowner request to remove land from the Local Habitat Map.
Concerns about the feasibility and implementation of the LNRS. Suggestion to emphasise baseline activities (other conservation strategies) within the LNRS. Queries about Measures C/M3 and C/M4 in relation to diffuse pollution. Proposed site at Wilwell Farm Cutting Nature Reserve and SSSI
Alternative strategy proposed.
Request to correct species assemblage for Calliargon giganteum and Connardia compacta.
Site Specific queries at Bennerley and Rufford.

Response emphasises that the LNRS must support nature recovery in a way that respects farmers, uses sound science, and avoids undermining farming priorities.
Support for LNRS and organisation keen to explore opportunities for joint working and co-ordination during the delivery phase.
Support ecological connectivity to reduce habitat fragmentation. Will not support measures that conflict with statutory, policy, or business commitments. Identified riparian sites for landscape-scale habitat linkages. Proposals for connectivity measures at Sherwood Pines. Concerns about proposed measures conflicting with timber supply and management plans. Support inclusion of PAWS restoration and sustainable woodland management in the Strategy.
Site specific query at Brinsley.
Support for general principles of the LNRS. Specific site queries.
Request for land at Great Northern Railway Nature Trail to be mapped.
Request to include reference to NTU GCN project in the LNRS.
LNRS aligns with the Colwick Parish Council's new Action Plan which includes an 'Environment & Planning' theme. Welcome the opportunity for collaboration.
Proposed additional measures in Rushcliffe to connect existing habitat.
Proposed additional species mapping for Bittern, Creeping willow Black-necked grebe.
Grassland site proposed at NTU Brackenhurst.
Proposed new mapped areas to address white space in Rushcliffe.
Proposed site at Tollerton.
Support the strategy's intent and welcome collaboration in the delivery phase. Proposed greater strategic priority to native woods, trees, and hedgerows.
Concerns about the LNRS precluding/ interfering with the use of sports pitches/playing fields.
Landowner request to remove some land and offering alternative site.
Landowner query about site boundary for NFM mapped measure.
Proposed inclusion of Costock Nature Reserve.

Proposal to include reference to existing developments in urban measures to improve protection for Swifts.
Proposed inclusion of Grizzled Skipper as a bespoke species in the LNRS.
Concerns about the simplification of habitat types and impacts of habitat creation on some species.
Proposed inclusion of site at Bennerley Viaduct and query about LNR status process.
Request for meeting about potential collaboration with the LNRS through delivery and site specific query at Sutton-In-Ashfield.
Proposed inclusion of Bennerley Viaduct.
Site specific queries about grassland mapped measures.
7 x emails about proposed inclusion of land at Lowfield Lane.
Late email responses
Proposal for the Green at Lowdham Grange to be mapped linking with surrounding areas.
Statement of support and suggestions for delivery.
Comments about delivery.
Concerns about the ecological impact of the Ordsall South development in Bassetlaw.
Queries about quarry sites and species measures.
Request for more clarity about the relationship of LNRS to updated Planning Practice Guidance. Concerns about insufficient engagement with Landowners and restrictive online survey. Site specific query about land in Ashfield.