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Droitwich Spa Neighbourhood Plan Consultation Response Form

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Part of the draft Neighbourhood Plan your representation refers to (e.g. section, objective or policy) 5. Natural Environment Policy SPA5. Biodiversity

Comments on this part of the Neighbourhood Plan

The Forestry Commission recommends that the Neighbourhood Plan includes:
a map to illustrate protected sites and ancient woodlands.
Its great to see support for tree planting, informed by the relevant Local Nature Recovery Strategy (LNRS) .
The LNRS identifies priorities and opportunities for nature recovery at a local level, including opportunities for woodland creation and riparian enhancement buffer zones where appropriate. Reflecting a ref to LNRS and these aspirations

within the Neighbourhood Plan would help support the delivery of local nature recovery objectives, increase tree cover, strengthen habitat connectivity and contribute to wider environmental benefits, while complementing policies protecting existing woodland, particularly ancient woodland and ancient and veteran trees. (avoid loss or deterioration of ancient woodland where development occurs in line with National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF): In England, paragraph 186(c))

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