

Greater Manchester Local Nature Recovery Strategy – Description of mapped actions (measures)

Woodland, tree, scrub and hedgerow - mapped actions

Condensed wording	Full action as written in the strategy
Protect and enhance long- established woodland and old trees	Safeguard, enhance and celebrate ancient, long-established and designated woodlands, veteran and notable trees
Enhance woodlands, scrub and hedgerows	Enhance existing woodlands, scrub, and hedgerows to achieve good condition and diversify, where appropriate, to increase resilience to disease and climate change.
Create woodland, hedgerow and scrub to connect woodlands	Target native woodland, hedgerow, and scrub creation, in the right places, where it will connect existing woodlands across urban and rural landscapes.
Expand existing woodland, scrub and fringe habitats	Expand existing woodland, scrub and other woodland fringe habitats.

Grassland, farmland and lowland heath - mapped actions

Condensed wording	Full action as written in the strategy
Identify and protect important semi-natural grasslands	Identify and safeguard remaining notable semi-natural grasslands.
Enhance and manage semi- natural grasslands and heath	Enhance and appropriately manage remaining semi-natural grasslands and heath to good condition, including increasing species richness.
Create or restore grasslands to increase connectivity	Creation or restoration of species-rich grasslands, particularly where they will expand or act as stepping stones or corridors between existing semi-natural grasslands.
Enhance and manage grassland to boost species richness	Enhance and manage improved or semi-improved grasslands to boost species richness.



Rivers, canals and waterbodies - mapped actions

Condensed wording	Full action as written in the strategy
Expand, create or restore waterside habitats for connection	Expansion, creation or restoration of a variety of waterside habitats, including woodlands, wetlands and meadows, where it will better connect up existing habitats along our rivers, supporting species movement
Remove barriers from waterbodies	Improve mobility for aquatic creatures by removing barriers, daylighting buried or covered waterbodies or installing by-pass structures, where feasible.
Naturalise water channels and reconnect to floodplains	Make water channels more natural and complex, remeander channels and reconnect to floodplains where feasible.
Enhance waterbodies and adjacent habitats	Enhance existing habitats within our waterbodies and adjacent grassland, wetland and woodland habitats to increase species richness.
Restore riverbanks and reduce invasive species	Restore more natural riverbanks, in appropriate locations, and reduce invasive species.
Restore and reconnect canal habitats	Restoration and reconnection of habitats alongside canals, including targeted woodland creation and tree planting alongside canals.
Soften manmade canal banks	Softening manmade canal banks using natural materials and native plants.

Lowland wetlands and mosslands - mapped actions

Condensed wording	Full action as written in the strategy
Enhance and manage wetlands long-term for biodiversity	Enhance and manage existing and remnant areas of lowland raised bog, fens and other wetland habitats over the long term, to improve diversity.
Improve resilience by enhancing semi- natural habitats around wetlands	Enhance patchworks of semi-natural habitats surrounding our remaining lowland raised bogs, fens and other wetland habitats to improve resilience
Reintroduce lost species to mossland and wetland communities	Reintroduce lost species across a range of mossland and wetland communities.
Restore wetlands and restorable deep peat to connect habitat	Restore degraded wetland sites and areas of restorable deep peat, where they will connect remaining wetland habitats.
Create wetland and transitional habitat around bogs and fens	Create more patchworks of wetland habitats and transitional habitats, particularly around remaining and lowland raised bog, fens and other wetland habitats



Upland moorlands - mapped actions

Condensed wording	Full action as written in the strategy
Stabilise, rewet and restore deep bare peat to blanket bogs	Stabilise, rewet and restore deep bare peat towards active blanket bog, where appropriate
Encourage diverse habitats on upland moorlands and heath	Encourage more diverse native vegetation and more flower-rich habitats, in appropriate places, on existing upland moorlands and heath.
Create transitional habitats to link uplands and lowlands	Create transitional habitats or corridors to increase linkage between our uplands and lowland habitats, where conditions allow.
Restore naturalised wet areas, flushes and ponds	Restore more naturalised wet areas, flushes and ponds.
Create rough diverse grasslands around flushes and wetlands	Create rough, diverse grasslands around flushes and wetlands, wet in some areas with rushes around flushes and springs
Restoration of existing upland woodlands and cloughs	Encourage the restoration and regeneration of existing upland woodlands and clough woodlands