BIODIVERSITY WORKING GROUP

Code of conduct

- 1. The rights of owners of property and land will be respected at all times and no attempt made to access land without the permission of the owner.
- 2. Information on plant or animal life should be sought with sensitivity with respect for the owners of property or land.
- 3. Progress of the working party will be reported in the Crosslet and website.
- 4. If the landowner permits reports of findings will be made to the Biodiversity Record Centre if appropriate.

Aims of the Working Group

We are fortunate to live in one of the most beautiful areas of the country and this beauty is mainly due to the natural environment and the variety of plant and animal life we find around us. The overall aim of the Biodiversity Working Group is to work with the community to maintain and, where possible, improve the biodiversity within the parish.

To achieve this aim the following are suggested:

- 1. Projects should be achievable.
- 2. Support for chosen projects should be sought both from within the parish and from experts outside the parish.
- 3. If funding is required this should be sought before the project commences.

Suggested Projects

- 1. Continuation of wildflower audit (started by Anne Davies)
- 2. Survey of trees in public areas.
- 3. Advice to gardeners on helping to encourage biodiversity in the garden article in Crosslet and website.
- 4. Irradication of Japanese knotweed, Himalayan Balsam and other invasive species which take over from native plants.