

Food for pollinators on the farm



Pollinators need flowers to feed on from spring through to autumn



Native trees & shrubs – allow hedgerows to flower

Willow



Blackthorn



Whitethorn/Hawthorn



Wild cherry



Crab apple



Rowan



Spindle



Bramble



Wild roses



Ivy



Native wildflowers – allow to grow in non-farmed areas

Dandelion



Dead nettles



Hogweed



Vetches



Oxeye Daisy



Selfheal



Bird's-foot-trefoil



Clover



Devil's-Bit-Scabious



Knapweed



Things you might be planting that will also benefit pollinators:

Clover



Fixes N

Sainfoin



Species-rich swards

Chicory



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Bird's-foot-trefoil



Catch crop

Phacelia



Catch crop

Buckwheat



Catch crop



Fruit, vegetables & herbs e.g. Apples, Plums, Raspberries, Currants, Peas, Beans, Courgettes, Tomatoes, Chives, Rosemary, Thyme.

Food for us!

Where do wild pollinators live on the farm?



Bumblebees - long grass



Mining solitary bees - bare soil



Cavity nesting solitary bees - existing holes

National Biodiversity Data Centre

A Heritage Council Programme

All-Ireland Pollinator Plan

www.pollinators.ie



Our pollinating insects are in decline. One third of our 100 bee species are at risk of extinction. You can help by making sure your farm provides much needed food. To learn more about the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan, see www.pollinators.ie