

Business Supporters Pollinator Plan: Framework for Businesses

We *depend* on pollinators and the important service they provide. Unfortunately, our pollinators on the island of Ireland, north and south, are in decline. Of the 100+ different types of wild bees, one third is threatened with extinction mainly because we have drastically reduced the amount of food and safe nesting sites that support them (*impact*).

The All-Ireland Pollinator Plan (AIPP) is a framework bringing together different sectors, <u>including business</u>, to create a landscape where pollinators can survive and thrive. It is a shared plan of action with a <u>robust governance structure</u>, underpinned by the <u>Irish Pollinator Research Network</u>, which is supported by over <u>100 government/NGOs and 100% of the island's councils</u>.

We know that by helping pollinators, we are improving biodiversity across the island. All businesses, regardless of sector, size or holdings, can play a role in helping pollinators; together, we can take steps to restore pollinator populations to healthy levels.

As a Business Supporter of the AIPP any size of business (*large corporate, SME, micro-enterprise*) can begin, or continue to build on, nature-positive goals by: (i) Identifying and delivering AIPP evidence-based actions based on *Businesses: Actions to help pollinators* and <u>companion resources</u> and (ii) Reporting to us annually. As your business progresses consider measuring changes in pollinators through formal biodiversity monitoring mechanisms. N.B. The AIPP is aligned to *ISO14001:2015* and goals 15 and 13 of the *UN Sustainable Development Goals* (SDG). It is also aligned to Bord Bia's Origin Green Charter as pollinator actions supporting members' biodiversity targets.

By signing up your business agrees to:

- 1. Deliver ONE AIPP evidence-based action in Year 1 and TWO action from Year 2 onwards.
- 2. Report to us annually through the AIPP <u>Annual Review</u> by 30 September (250 words) plus map actions on Actions for Pollinators (GIS).

N.B. We invite you to 'Locate' which biodiversity is on or adjacent to your land via <u>Biodiversity Maps</u> and consider tracking changes (on larger sites) through the formal <u>Flower Insect Timed (FIT) Counts</u> and <u>Bumblebee Monitoring Scheme</u>.

IN RETURN we will provide you with: (a) The AIPP Certificate of Participation and Business Supporters Logo for use online, on site and in your sustainability reporting (b) Guidance via email/phone/online on evidence-based actions and (c) the AIPP Business Supporters monthly newsletter (Mailchimp) – which is our primary means of communication with you.

1. COMPLETE THIS FORM & EMAIL WITH YOUR LOG	GO TO Sarah Kelly skelly@biodiversityireland.ie
Business Name:	
N.B. We will only use your logo to promote your pollinator-friendly work i www.pollinators.ie (ii) Latest News/Blogs, and the (iii) Annual Review.	n the following three ways: (I) on the Business Supporters page of
Senior Management Signature:	
Print (name and job title):	
Point of Contact (1) – including email (if different from signatory):	Point of Contact (2) including email:
Print (name and job title):	Print (name and job title):
N.B. We ask you for two points of contact to allow for staff changes.	
2. AS PART OF THE SIGN-UP PROCESS PLEASE CREATI	E AN ACCOUNT ON 'Actions for Pollinators' (GIS)

N.B. Participation/support for the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan does not equate to endorsement of products or services by the AIPP. Also,

additional use of AIPP Business Supporters logo requires written approval.

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