



# Biodiversity gain plan

Submit a biodiversity gain plan to show how your development will achieve biodiversity net gain.

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## When to use this form

A biodiversity gain plan shows how a development will achieve 10% biodiversity net gain (BNG). Submit this form to your local planning authority after they approve your planning application.

Unless your development is exempt, you cannot start the development until the LPA approves your biodiversity gain plan and biodiversity metric calculation tool.

## 1. Submission details

### 1.1 Date

For example, 3/11/2023

16/03/26

### 1.2 Planning application reference number

4/24/2425/0F1

### 1.3 Local planning authority (LPA)

Cumberland Council

### 1.4 Development site address

If the site does not have an address, enter the OS grid reference.

St Bridget's Catholic Primary School  
St Bridget's Lane, Egremont, CA22 2BD

### 1.5 Describe the development

Tell us about the proposed development and any changes of use (250 words).

Extension of existing small staff carpark into unused adjoining grassed area

## 2. Developer details

### 2.1 Applicant name

Board of Governors/ Head Teacher  
St Bridgets Catholic Primary School  
St Bridget's Ln, Egremont CA22 2BD

## 2.2 Company name

NA

## 2.3 Address

St Bridgets Catholic Primary School  
St Bridget's Ln, Egremont CA22 2BD

## 2.4 Email address

[REDACTED]

## 2.5 Telephone number

[REDACTED]

## 2.6 Declaration

By signing this declaration, you confirm that the information you give is complete and correct. Any opinions are your genuine opinions.

## 2.7 Signature

[REDACTED]

## 2.8 Date

17.03.2026

## 3. Responsible person details

Tell us about who is responsible for completing the biodiversity gain plan. For example, a consultancy ecologist or planning agent.

### 3.1 Name

Patryk Gruba

### 3.2 Company name

Lakeland Ecology

### 3.3 Address

5 Scotch Street  
Port Carlisle  
Wigton

CA7 5BZ

### 3.4 Email address

[REDACTED]

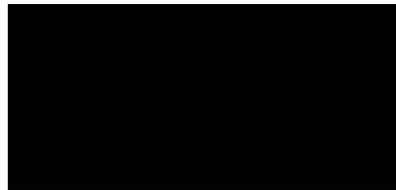
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### 3.8 Date

16/03/2026

## 4. Biodiversity net gain strategy

**4.1 Is the relevant date for the pre-development biodiversity value the same date as the planning application?**

Yes

No

**4.2 If no, what earlier date did you agree with the LPA?**

N/A

**4.3 How have you met the guidance on 'what counts towards your BNG'?**

[Find out what you can count towards a development's BNG](#)

Yes

**4.4 How will you avoid or minimise impacts to habitats?**

Tell us about the steps you've taken on site, including to avoid or minimise the impact on irreplaceable habitats.

The habitats present on site that will be impacted by the scheme include small parcels of modified grassland and vacant/derelict land. Both habitats are considered to be of low distinctiveness. They have low biodiversity value and can be easily recreated

**4.5 Did you use your local nature recovery strategy to inform the strategic significance of habitats?**

This includes other specified strategies if you do not have a local nature recovery strategy.

- Yes
- No

**4.6 How will you achieve the target net gain percentage?**

- On-site
- Off-site
- Both

**4.7 Are any of your on-site enhancements considered 'significant'?**

[Find out what counts as a significant on-site enhancement.](#)

- Yes
- No

**4.8 If yes, tell us about the significant on-site enhancements**

Include the appropriate planning condition or how you've secured the habitat.

The significant on-site habitat enhancement will comprise the planting of 13 small native trees, which will be managed to achieve moderate condition. The trees will be planted within the existing area of modified grassland in moderate condition.

The on-site habitat enhancement will be secured through the provision of a Habitat Management and Monitoring Plan (HMMP), which will be implemented for a period of 30 years. The preparation of an HMMP has been stipulated as a planning condition by the Cumberland Council Ecology Team.

The area of modified grassland that will be retained in its current condition is not considered a significant on-site enhancement. Therefore, this habitat has not been included within the HMMP.

**4.9 How many off-site biodiversity units do you need to meet 10% net gain?**

0

**4.10 Explain why you're using off-site biodiversity units**

Only answer this question if you're planning to use off-site biodiversity units (250 words).

N/A

**4.11 Explain why you're planning to use statutory biodiversity credits**

Only answer this question if you're planning to use statutory biodiversity credits (250 words).

N/A

**4.12 Do you have a habitat management and monitoring plan?**

- Yes
- No

**4.13 Have you used the statutory biodiversity metric tool?**

- Yes
- No

#### 4.14 Biodiversity metric calculation

Send your biodiversity metric calculation to the LPA and enter the file name.

LE076 - St Bridget's Catholic School, Egremont –  
Statutory Biodiversity Metric

#### 4.15 Condition assessments

Send your condition assessments to the LPA and enter the file name.

LE076 - St Bridget's Catholic School, Egremont –  
Biodiversity Net Gain Assessment Report (Condition  
Assessment included as an appendix within the report)

#### 4.16 Pre-development habitat survey report and map

Send your baseline habitat survey report and map to the LPA. Enter the file name.

LE076 - St Bridget's Catholic School, Egremont –  
Biodiversity Net Gain Assessment Report (Habitat survey  
and map included in the report)

#### 4.17 Post-development habitat map or landscape plan

Send your post-development habitat survey report and map to the LPA. Enter the file name.

LE076 - St Bridget's Catholic School, Egremont – Biodiversity Net Gain Assessment  
Report (Post-development Habitat Plan included in the report)

#### 4.18 Have you included an approved habitat degradation in the baseline?

If yes, include the relevant consenting body and reference number.

- Yes  
 No

Consenting body

N/A

Reference number

N/A

### 5. Irreplaceable habitats

#### 5.1 Does the development impact any irreplaceable habitats?

If yes, tell us if you've submitted an approved compensation plan.

- Yes  
 No

#### 5.2 Have you submitted an approved compensation plan?

- Yes  
 No

### 6. On-site habitat enhancements

Answer this section if your development includes on-site habitat enhancements.

### 6.1 Survey date

For example, 3/11/2023

15<sup>th</sup> July 2024

### 6.2 Survey constraints

For example, access issues, weather, or seasonal constraints.

N/A

### 6.3 Total pre-development biodiversity value

Enter the number from the headline results in your statutory biodiversity metric calculation.

Number of area habitat biodiversity units

0.22

Number of hedgerow biodiversity units

0

Number of watercourse biodiversity units

0

### 6.4 Total post-development biodiversity value

Enter the number from the headline results in your statutory biodiversity metric calculation.

Number of area habitat biodiversity units

0.25

Number of hedgerow biodiversity units

0

Number of watercourse biodiversity units

0

### 6.5 Total net change in biodiversity units

Enter the number from the headline results in your statutory biodiversity metric calculation.

Area habitat biodiversity units

0.03

Area habitat biodiversity units % change

13.64%

Hedgerow biodiversity units

N/A

Hedgerow biodiversity units % change

N/A

Watercourse biodiversity units

N/A

Watercourse biodiversity units % change

N/A

### **6.6 Will you register and allocate any biodiversity units from your site to other developments?**

If yes or provisionally, give details.

Yes

No

### **6.7 Give details**

Tell us about the amount of biodiversity units and the development location (250 words).

N/A

## **7. Off-site habitat enhancements**

Answer this section if your development includes off-site habitat enhancements.

### **7.1 Tell us about the off-site habitat enhancements**

Include whether you're delivering the off-site enhancements or buying biodiversity units.

N/A

### **7.2 Biodiversity gain site register reference number**

N/A

### **7.3 How have you secured the off-site habitat enhancements?**

Tell us about any responsible bodies and whether you've used an S106 or conservation covenant.

N/A

### **7.4 Total baseline biodiversity value**

Enter the number from the headline results in your statutory biodiversity metric calculation

Number of area habitat biodiversity units

N/A

Number of hedgerow biodiversity units

N/A

Number of watercourse biodiversity units

N/A

### **7.5 Total biodiversity value post-intervention**

Enter the number from the headline results in your statutory biodiversity metric calculation.

Number of area habitat biodiversity units

N/A

Number of hedgerow biodiversity units

N/A

Number of watercourse biodiversity units

N/A

### **7.6 Total net change in biodiversity units**

Enter the number from the headline results in your statutory biodiversity metric calculation.

Area habitat biodiversity units

N/A

Area habitat biodiversity units % change

N/A

Hedgerow biodiversity units

N/A

Hedgerow biodiversity units % change

N/A

Watercourse biodiversity units

N/A

Watercourse biodiversity units % change

N/A

## 8. Statutory biodiversity credits

Answer this section if you need to use statutory biodiversity credits.

### 8.1 Do you need to use statutory biodiversity credits?

- Yes  
 No

### 8.2 How many statutory biodiversity credits do you need?

Tell us the unit shortfall by tier, including the spatial risk multiplier. Enter the number from the headline results in your statutory biodiversity metric calculation.

A1

N/A

A2

N/A

A3

N/A

A4

N/A

A5

N/A

H

N/A

W

N/A

### 8.3 What evidence is there that no units are available through the market?

Send a message from at least 3 habitat providers, or a search result from online registers.

N/A

### 8.4 Proof of purchase

Send proof of purchase and enter the reference number.

N/A

## 9. Trading summary

### 9.1 Distinctiveness group

Tell us if you met the BNG trading rules on habitat compensation for each distinctiveness group. If you did not meet the trading rules, tell us if you agreed bespoke habitat compensation.

Check the rules on habitat compensation in the [statutory biodiversity metric user guide](#).

Very high

N/A
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High

N/A
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Medium

N/A
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Low

Yes
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## 10. Sharing data (optional)

**10.1 Can we share your ecological survey data with the Local Environmental Records Centre or other bodies?**

Yes

No