Delivering local action

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Summary

Local Action Groups:

- Who are they?
- What do they do?
- What could they do in the future?
Who are they?

Local Action Groups:

- Often targeted at specific areas or species
- Partnerships, often using volunteers
- Instigated locally
Local action groups

Welcome to all local action groups. This part of the website aims to assist non-native species management action on the ground at local, county and regional levels. Here, you can access our local action resources which contain information, guidance and practical advice to help existing local action groups or forums continue to tackle non-native species and to help set up new local action initiatives.

You can access and download the resources by selecting items from the list below. If you would like any of the resources on a CD please contact the Secretariat. Further information on the background of the Local Action Group Resources and the Workshop can be found here.

Non-native species information:

- **Alert species** - Species are on our alert list with details of who to contact if sighted.
- **ID sheets** - Information, descriptions and pictures to help identification of over 60 different species.
- **GB Non-native Species Information Portal** - Information on 20 species so far.
- **Recording Invasive Species Counts (RISC project)** - Information on 6 species including how to report sightings.
- **Sounds** - Vocal calls of some non-native species

Project planning:

- **Projects database** - Register your project on our database and find other projects.
- **Project planning and funding** - How to plan a project and links to sources of funding.
- **Local strategic plan** - Information on prioritising, surveys, management options, training and volunteers.
- **Useful links** - Links to useful websites.
- **Risk assessments** - Access to several non-native species risk assessments.
- **Management examples and information**
- **Recording and reporting non-native species**

Awareness raising material:
What do they do?

Local Action Groups:

- Control
- Monitoring
- Raising awareness
Convention for Biological Diversity
- Prevention
- Rapid response
- Long-term control
- Research & monitoring
- Education & public awareness

The Invasive Non-Native Species Framework Strategy for Great Britain
- Prevention
- Early detection, Surveillance, Monitoring and Rapid response
- Mitigation, Control and Eradication
- Building Awareness & Understanding

Local Action Groups
- Assisting Rapid responses
- Coordinating long-term control
- Monitoring
- Establishing ‘good practice’ methods
- Raising public awareness
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What advantages do LAGs offer?

- Highly cost-effective
- Respond to local needs
- Reach new audiences
- Good focus for project funding
- Source of innovation
What could they do in the future?

Monitoring

- Provide surveillance at strategic sites
- Monitor efficacy of control programmes
- Public participation surveys
What could they do in the future?
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- Raising awareness
  - Local delivery of national campaigns
  - Improve biosecurity
  - Generate regular media interest
What could they do in the future?

- **Control**
  - Deliver rapid responses
  - Habitat restoration
  - ‘embedding knowledge’