

# **Bollin Non-Native Invasive Species Local Action Group**

## **Terms of Reference**

The following terms of reference (ToR) have been developed by the Secretariat as a guide for local forums to consider when establishing the purpose of the group. **The Bollin NNIS LAG are asked to consider whether the following are appropriate and sufficient for the purpose of the group**

1. To raise awareness of the risks and impacts of non-native plant and animal species throughout a region or area.
2. To coordinate a strategic effort to monitor, control, remove and raise awareness of non-native species in a region/area.
3. To develop, promote and exchange information and experience of good practice (including detection, monitoring, control, and removal of non-native species).
4. To encourage recording, reporting and dissemination of information of non-native species, including survey information.
5. To provide advice to interest groups on good practice management of non-native species.
6. To encourage the application of bio-security measures.
7. To seek funding opportunities for the project.
8. To meet regularly to report on action to be taken and progress made.

## **The aims of the Bollin Non-Native Species Local Action Group are:-**

1. Raise awareness by attending and organising events, producing and disseminating leaflets/posters etc and encourage community involvement (including landowners and volunteers etc).
2. Coordinate a strategic effort by preparing a strategic local plan, which includes identifying priorities, mapping the presence of a species, horizon scanning and involvement from volunteers and landowners.
3. Exchange good practice experience by identifying and keeping up to date with Best Available Techniques, seeking alternative methods and liaising with other groups working on the same species/problems.
4. Exchange information by producing and disseminating literature, attend and organise events and make data gathered from surveys available.
5. Provide advice by producing and disseminating leaflets/posters, provide training and attend or organise events.
6. Encourage uptake of biosecurity methods by education and raising awareness.
7. Identify and apply for potential funding and request financial assistance from appropriate bodies.
8. Meet regularly to update the strategic local plan.