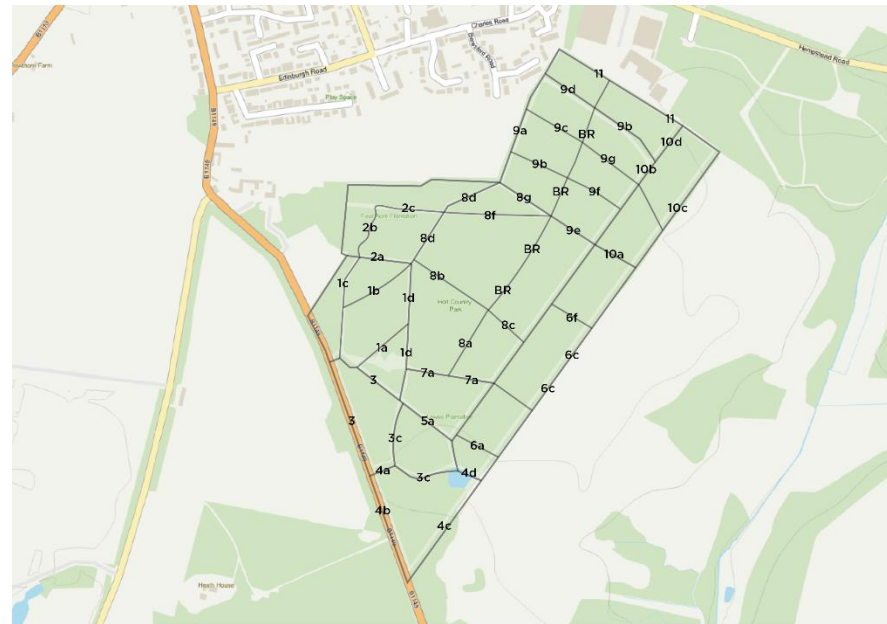


# Holt Country Park Conservation and Woodland Management Plan

Holt country park conservation and forestry compartments 2025



Holt Country park woodland rides 2025



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Please read alongside Holt Country Park Felling Licence - ref: 017/2195/2025

For management approaches and updates please refer to site Annual Review

| COMPARTMENT AND RIDE NUMBER | YEAR                   | ACTIVITY/OPERATION  |
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| 1                           | 2026 to September 2030 | <p><b>Winter January to March.</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 1, thinning operations. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required, maintain paths. Maintain planted trees and replace losses. Maintain bird and bat boxes, replace when required. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work.</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.<br/>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.<br/>Amenity grass cutting where required. Care must be taken to protect wildlife species.<br/>Sow or plant native wildflower plugs/plant species appropriate to encourage insects.</p> <p><b>Autumn:</b> Late October. Check reptile/amphibian activity before grass cutting. Brush cut grassland rides, conservation cutting without damaging vegetation layers. Collect grass cuttings and use for homes for amphibians, reptiles, mini beasts where required. Protect and maintain wildflower rides by reducing regeneration of trees and shrubs where required with the help of muddy boots volunteer group.</p> <p><b>Winter:</b> November to December. Refer to tree felling license for compartment 1, thinning operations. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required, maintain paths. Maintain planted trees and replace losses. Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood, as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work.</p> <p><b>Throughout the year</b><br/>Maintain bird and bat boxes, replace when required.<br/>Maintain path and drainage where possible. Use stone which is naturally found in the surrounding area such as 20mm crushed stone/shingle.</p> |

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|                         |              | <p>Brush cutting of amenity areas when required</p> <p>Site inspections and maintenance of facilities and fixtures when required.</p> <p>Car park maintenance and repairs to car park.</p> <p>Play area maintain. Informal and formal site inspections. Play bark replenished when required.</p> <p>Toilets: Property services to internally refurbish toilet block in 2026.</p> <p>Formal inspections carried out of buildings by property services.</p> <p>John Orris garden maintain for visitor enjoyment and wildlife. Maintain and replace sculptures when required under inspection reports.</p> <p>Check and restock tree whips and fruit trees where required. Additional planting of native species within garden when required.</p> |
| Compartment and ride 1a | 2026         | <p>Eco classroom works continued.</p> <p>Early spring 2026 area to be landscaped. Plant wildflowers and provide nesting boxes for birds and bats.</p> <p>Additional play equipment and outdoor gym equipment to be installed. Additional seating to be installed.</p>  |
| 1b                      | 2026 to 2030 | <p>Late October. Check reptile/amphibian activity before grass cutting. Brush cut grassland ride, conservation cutting without damaging vegetation layers. Collect grass cuttings and use for homes for amphibians, reptiles, mini beasts where required. Protect and maintain wildflower rides by reducing regeneration of trees and shrubs where required with the help of muddy boots volunteer group. Carry out tree checks and work within tree felling license.</p> <p>Maintain way markers along ride. Install bat and bird boxes.</p>  |
| 1c                      | 2026 to 2030 | <p>Trafalgar avenue, check oak trees and replace if required.</p> <p>Late October. Check reptile/amphibian activity before grass cutting. Brush cut grassland ride, conservation cutting without damaging vegetation layers. Collect grass cuttings and use for homes for amphibians, reptiles, mini beasts where required. Protect and maintain wildflower rides by reducing regeneration of trees and shrubs where required with the help of muddy boots volunteer group. Carry out tree checks and work within tree felling license.</p> <p>Maintain way markers along ride. Install bat and bird boxes.</p>  |

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| Compartment 2<br>Woodland blocks internal. | 2026 to 2030 | <p><b>Winter January to March.</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 2, thinning operations. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work.</p> <p>No thinning of ride 2a or behind ride 2a due to orchids). Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required, maintain paths. Maintain bird and bat boxes, replace when required.</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p>Amenity grass cutting where required.</p> <p><b>Winter:</b> November to December. Refer to tree felling license for compartment 2, thinning operations inside woodland block not 2a. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required. Maintain planted trees and replace losses.</p> <p>Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood, as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work.</p> <p><b>Coppice hazel block area in year winter 2029.</b></p> |
| 2a ride                                    | 2026 to 2030 | <p><b>Very important ride for orchids.</b> Protect woodland ride from trampling, keep area roped off to protect wildflowers. Important woodland ride. Do not fell beech trees or thin this ride. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required. Do not grass cut ride 2a.</p> <p>Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles. Do not plant or seed wildflowers along this ride.</p>   |
| 2b   | 2026 to 2030 | <p><b>Winter January to March.</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 2, thinning operations. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work.</p> <p>Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required, maintain paths. Maintain bird and bat boxes, replace when required.</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p>  |

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|    |                                     | <p>Amenity grass cutting where required around way markers and sculptures, amphitheatre. Carry out site inspections</p> <p><b>Winter:</b> November to December. Refer to tree felling license for compartment 2, thinning operations inside woodland block. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required.</p> <p>Woodland block next to ride 2b used by Wild about Nature group: Formal tree inspections required and informal. Site inspections required monthly. Monitor use of campfires by Wild about Nature. No campfires in times dry weather and summer months.</p> <p>Wild about nature area, prevent brambles and rhododendron encroaching the whole area. Leave 30% of brambles. Formal and informal tree inspections required regularly of wild about nature area.</p>   |
| 2c | 2026-2030                           | <p>Woodland block area near to ride 2b and 2c keep area open for event use. Control areas of snowberry when blocking access on the path.</p> <p>Site inspection of sculptures and amphitheatre. Woodland block thinning operations as required in felling license.</p>  |
| 2d | <p>2026-2027</p> <p>2026 - 2030</p> | <p>Investigate possibly installing improved surface trail from housing estate paths to the sensory garden car park for easier access.</p> <p>Maintain perimeter hedge between housing estate and Holt country park. Install post and rail fencing to block off woodland areas if visitors do not keep to designated paths. Manage tree planting within this area and replace when required</p> <p><b>Winter:</b> November to December. Refer to tree felling license for compartment 2, thinning operations inside woodland block. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required. After thinning operations, plant hedge along boundary of houses and Holt country park.</p> <p>Check and restock tree whips where required.</p> <p>Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood, as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work.</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p>Amenity grass cutting where required.</p> |

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| 3 (rides)      | 2026 - 2030       | <p><b>Winter January to March.</b> Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required, maintain paths. Maintain planted trees and replace losses. Maintain bird and bat boxes, replace when required. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work. Care to be taken of amphibian and reptile habitats within these areas.</p> <p>Maintain area for mini beasts. Install mini pond in required area. Maintain seating.</p> <p>Control invasive plant species.</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p><b>Winter:</b> November to December. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required. Maintain planted trees and replace losses. Very selective thinning of trees as not to disturb amphibian and reptile species.</p> <p>Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood, as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work.</p>  |
| Compartment 3a | 2026<br>2026-2030 | <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p>Check reptile/amphibian activity before grass cutting.</p> <p>Brush cutting of wildflower rides from the end of October or later, care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians. Volunteer and rangers to use grass cuttings to make compost heaps for reptiles and amphibians.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p><b>Winter:</b> In late autumn and winter protect and maintain wildflower rides by reducing regeneration of trees and shrubs when required with the help of muddy boots volunteer group. Ride 3a, maintain stone path where required.</p> <p>Check and restock tree whips and fruit trees where required.</p> <p>Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood, as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work.</p> <p>Dead hedge and fence off compartment where required to protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles. Rangers to maintain as grassland area in late autumn/winter.</p> |

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|         |                       | Over the five years gradually increase the size of grassland within this compartment by shrub/tree management and felling to provide habitat for reptiles/amphibians. (see felling license). Survey species within on a weekly basis from spring to late autumn.  |
| 3b      | 2026<br><br>2026-2030 | <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p>Check reptile/amphibian activity before grass cutting.</p> <p>In late autumn/winter 2026 manually dig over section of (ride 3c) and resow with native woodland wildflower mix. Care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians</p> <p>Brush cutting of wildflower rides from the end of October or later, care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians. Volunteer and rangers to use grass cuttings to make compost heaps for reptiles and amphibians.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p>In late autumn and winter protect and maintain wildflower rides by reducing regeneration of trees and shrubs when required with the help of muddy boots volunteer group.</p> <p>Ride 3c maintain stone path where required.</p> <p>Check and restock tree whips and fruit trees where required. Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood, as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work.</p> <p>Over the five years gradually increase the size of grassland within this compartment by shrub/tree management and felling to provide habitat for reptiles/amphibians. (see felling license). Survey species within on a weekly basis from spring to late autumn.</p> |
| 3c ride | 2026<br><br>2026-2030 | <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p>Check reptile/amphibian activity before grass cutting.</p>  |

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|                                      |                    | <p>In late autumn/winter 2026 manually dig over section of ride 3c and resow with native woodland wildflower mix of ride. Care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians</p> <p>Brush cutting of wildflower rides from the end of October or later, care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians. Volunteer and rangers to use grass cuttings to make compost heaps for reptiles and amphibians. Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p>In late autumn and winter protect and maintain wildflower rides by reducing regeneration of trees and shrubs when required with the help of muddy boots volunteer group.</p> <p>Ride 3c, maintain stone path where required.</p> <p>Check and restock tree whips and fruit trees where required.</p> <p>Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work.</p>   |
| <p>Compartment 4</p> <p>4a (ride</p> | <p>2026-2-2030</p> | <p>Due to ash dieback of trees next to this ride maintain open glade areas as beneficial for wildlife and wildflowers.</p> <p><b>Winter January to March.</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 4, thinning operations. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work.</p> <p>Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work.</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p>Amenity grass cutting where required. Care must be taken to protect wildlife species.</p> <p>Sow or plant native wildflower plugs/plant species appropriate to encourage insects.</p> <p><b>Autumn:</b> Late October. Check reptile/amphibian activity before grass cutting. Brush cut grassland rides, conservation cutting without damaging vegetation layers. Collect grass cuttings and use for homes for amphibians, reptiles, mini beasts where required. Protect and maintain wildflower rides by reducing regeneration of trees and shrubs where required with the help of muddy boots volunteer group.</p> |



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|                       |           | <b>Winter November to December</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 4, thinning operations. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work.  |
| Compartment 4 4b ride | 2026-2030 | <p>Maintain woodland perimeter. Formal tree survey for roadside every 18 months or as recommended.</p> <p><b>Winter January to March.</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 4, thinning operations. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work.</p> <p>Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work.</p> <p>Dead hedge and fence off compartment where required to protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p>Maintain in late autumn/winter. Check for amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p>  |
| 4c/4d                 | 2026-2030 | <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p><b>Winter.</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 4, thinning operations. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work.</p> <p>Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment.</p> <p>Grassland area next to pond. Survey flora and fauna species. Increase wildflower species. Check reptile/amphibian activity before grass cutting. Early November or when appropriate for surrounding species, time of year, leave a 3m grassland strip around/next to pond.</p> <p>In grassland block leave 20% of the grassland area. On rotation brush cut grassland area, remove cuttings for compost create compost areas in undergrowth away from main paths. Protect, maintain and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p>Care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians</p> |

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|                         |             | <p>Volunteer and rangers to use grass cuttings to make compost heaps for reptiles and amphibians.</p> <p>Check and restock fruit trees where required.</p>  |
| Main pond compartment 4 | 2026 – 2030 | <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p><b>Winter;</b> Continue to control invasive plant species using hand tools. Protect wildlife species and their habitats. Leave pond material by the pond once pulled to allow wildlife species to leave. Control willow trees on island and do not allow to take over the pond. Leave a percentage of willow on pond edges for insects.</p>   |
| Compartment 5. Ride 5a  | 2026-2030   | <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles. Care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians. Great Crested Newts have been surveyed in this area.</p> <p>Maintain the mini beast conservation area for use for educational mini beast hunts. Survey species, if there is a decline in species, ground too dry, rest area from use and choose new site for mini beast area within block.</p> <p><b>Winter:</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 5, thinning operations. Informal and formal checks of trees with required tree work.</p> <p>Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken.</p> <p>Maintain in late autumn/winter. Check for amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p>Protect and maintain wildflower margins and areas.</p> |
| Compartment 6           | 2026-2030   | <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles. Care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians.</p> <p><b>Winter:</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 6, thinning operations inside woodland block. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required.</p>   |

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|    |           | <p>Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken.</p> <p>Throughout the year area is used for school group activities and events for shelter building. This area needs to check regularly and prior to activities for dangerous trees.</p>   |
| 6a | 2026-2030 | <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles. Care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians.</p> <p><b>Winter:</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 6, thinning operations inside woodland block. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required.</p> <p>Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Survey flora and fauna species.</p> <p>On right side of ride 6a (other side of pond block) reduced access, enclosed compartment and perimeter with a dead hedge/fencing.</p> <p>Protect, maintain and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p>Maintain bat boxes along woodland edge.</p> <p>Control invasive species. Maintain reptiles sculpture area and seating.</p> |
| 6b | 2026-2030 | <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles. Care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians.</p> <p><b>Winter:</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 6, thinning operations inside woodland block. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required. Create a glade along edge of ride to encourage wildflowers.</p>  |

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|         |           | <p>Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Survey flora and fauna species.</p> <p>Maintain Tin can alley game.</p>  |
| 6c      | 2026-2030 | <p>Ride which runs along boundary fence between hcp and Holt Lowes.</p> <p>Report any damage/repairs required of fence to NWT.</p> <p><b>Winter:</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 6, thinning operations inside woodland block. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required. Create a glade along edge of ride to encourage wildflowers.</p> <p>Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Survey flora and fauna species.</p> <p>Create glades along the woodland edge.</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles. Care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians.</p> |
| 6d      | 2026-2030 | Earth bank and ditch. Maintain. Do not disturb structure or soil.  |
| 6e ride | 2026-2030 | <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p><b>Winter:</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 6, thinning operations inside woodland block. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required. Create a glade along edge of ride to encourage wildflowers. Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Survey flora and fauna species.</p> <p>Ride 6e Along ride edge (pink and orange trail) increase and maintain shallow water areas for amphibians and wildlife. Pond liner for large splash pool required.</p>   |

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|                                 |           | <p>Protect, maintain and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p>Protect and maintain wildflower margins and areas.</p>  |
| 6f ride.<br>Carved men<br>ride  | 2026-2030 | <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p><b>Winter:</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 6 and 10 thinning operations inside woodland block. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required. Create a glade along edge of ride to encourage wildflowers. Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Survey flora and fauna species.</p>  |
| Compartment<br>7 and ride 7a    | 2026-2030 | <p><b>Winter:</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 7 thinning operations inside woodland block. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required. Create a glade along edge of ride to encourage wildflowers. Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Survey flora and fauna species.</p> <p>Coppice block of Hazel trees winter 2026.</p> <p>Survey flora and fauna species.</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> |
| Compartment<br>8<br>and ride 8a | 2026-2030 | <p><b>Winter:</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 8 thinning operations inside woodland block. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required. Create a glade along edge of ride to encourage wildflowers. Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Survey flora and fauna species.</p>  |

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|                                      |            | <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p>   |
| Compartment 8<br>Butterfly ride (BR) | 2026-2-23- | <p><b>Winter:</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 8 thinning operations inside woodland block. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required. Create a glade along edge of ride to encourage wildflowers. Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Survey flora and fauna species.</p> <p>Control tree and invasive species regeneration growing within wildflower rides on both sides. Maintain wildflower rides.</p> <p>Create, increase and maintain habitat areas for reptiles and amphibians.</p> <p>Manage planted shrubs/trees between wildflower and tree edge.</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p>Protect and maintain newt pond area location on butterfly ride. Survey species.</p> |
| Compartment 8 ride 8b                | 2026-2030  | <p>Education area. Maintain education area. Refer to education area site plan.</p> <p>Health and safety tree work for education area.</p> <p>2026 Install education hut into education area, small pond clay line. Carry out site inspections</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles. Care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians.</p>  |
| Compartment 8. Ride 8c               | 2026-2030  | <p><b>Winter:</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 8 thinning operations inside woodland block. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required. Create a glade along edge of ride to encourage wildflowers. Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood as a dead hedge in appropriate</p>  |

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|                        |           | <p>areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Survey flora and fauna species.</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles. Care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians.</p>  |
| Compartment 8. Ride 8d | 2026-2030 | <p><b>Winter:</b> Refer to tree felling license for compartment 8 thinning operations inside woodland block. Tree checks and tree felling for health and safety purposes where required. Create a glade along edge of ride to encourage wildflowers. Stack dead wood, branches, timber which cannot be used for firewood as a dead hedge in appropriate areas within the woodland block which makes up the compartment. Control invasive species of plants, rhododendron and bracken. Survey flora and fauna species.</p> <p>Control tree and invasive species regeneration growing within wildflower rides on both sides. Maintain wildflower rides.</p> <p>Investigate possibly installing improved surface trail from housing estate paths to the sensory garden car park for easier access.</p> <p>Maintain perimeter hedge between housing estate and Holt country park. Install post and rail fencing to block off woodland areas if visitors do not keep to designated paths. Manage tree planting within this area and replace when required.</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles. Care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians.</p> |
| Compartment 8. Ride 8e | 2026-2030 | <p>Ride is to be maintained. Health and safety tree works either side. Maintain dense canopy. Carry out site inspections</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles. Care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians.</p>  |
| Compartment 8. Ride 8f | 2026-2030 | <p>Ride is to be maintained. Health and safety tree works either side. Path from five ways to archway. Maintain dense canopy. Carry out site inspections.</p>   |

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| Compartment 9<br>Ride 9a                        | 2026-2030  | <p><b>Winter:</b> Control tree and invasive species regeneration growing within wildflower rides on both sides. Maintain wildflower rides. Protect and maintain wildflower margins and areas. Maintain perimeter hedge between housing estate and Holt country park. Manage tree planting within this area and replace when required</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Back gate access, investigate improving access from back gate towards sensory garden and car park.</p>   |
| Compartment 9. Ride 9b, 9c, 9d, 9e, 9f, 9g, 9h. | 2026-2030  | <p><b>Winter:</b> Control tree and invasive species regeneration growing within wildflower rides on both sides. Maintain wildflower rides. Protect and maintain wildflower margins and areas. Maintain perimeter hedge between housing estate and Holt country park. Manage tree planting within this area and replace when required. Create small glades if required.</p> <p>Protect areas used by reptiles and amphibians. Create more if required.</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p>  |
| Compartment 10, ride 10a.                       | 2026-20230 | <p>This is a restricted conservation area. Protect, maintain and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p>Maintain the perimeter hedge around the compartment. Winter forestry operations as shown within felling licence. Control the natural regeneration of trees to create habitat area.</p> <p>Protect and maintain wildflower margins and areas. Control invasive species.</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles. Care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians.</p> |



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| 10b  | 2026-2030 | <p>Control tree and invasive species regeneration growing within wildflower rides on both sides. Maintain wildflower rides. Protect and maintain wildflower margins and areas.</p> <p>Winter forestry operations as shown within felling licence. Check and restock tree whips where required.</p> <p>Protect, maintain and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles.</p> <p>Survey flora and fauna species. Control invasive species.</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles. Care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians.</p> |
| 10c  | 2026-2030 | <p>Health and safety tree work. Refer to tree felling license. Monitor veteran trees along the ride edge for decline.</p> <p>Ride is next to holt country park and Holt Lowes boundary.</p> <p>Keep this compartment edge of 10c as a dense area of trees to create a protective barrier for conservation area between ride 10b and 10c.</p> <p>Control invasive species on woodland edge.</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles. Care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians.</p>  |
| 10d  | 2026-2030 | <p>Install Holt country park location map at entrance from Hempstead track into Holt country park.</p> <p>Maintain regrowth of vegetation along ride 10d.</p> <p><b>Spring and Summer</b> Survey flora and fauna species. Butterflies, reptiles and amphibians, dragonfly and damselfly, insects, beetles, mammals. deer survey.</p> <p>Protect and provide habitat areas for/used by amphibians and reptiles. Care to be taken not to disturb reptiles/amphibians.</p>   |
| Ride 11.<br>Hempstead<br>track. Holt<br>country park | 2026-2030 | <p>Health and safety tree work when required. Formal tree survey of ride for Holt country park. Access required by NWT to Holt Lowes via Hempstead track.</p> <p>Control invasive species along Holt country park boundary.</p>   |

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| boundary on left       |           |  |
| Mackeys Hill car park. | 2026-2030 | Forestry England manage the trees and carry out tree work. |