

Draft. Holy Loch/Broxwood Proposed Local Nature Reserve – Management Plan.

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<p>1. To manage the Habitat Mosaic of Shoreline (Saltmarsh, Mudflats, Gravel beds, Estuarine-scrub) and Woodland so as to maintain and enhance its semi-natural coastal and broad-leaved habitat, and conserve and improve its biodiversity. Habitat Mosaic</p>	Continue to restructure the woodland to a more natural composition and condition.	Japanese Knotweed eradication programme to commence as part of the wider LL&TNP eradication plan. Monitor invasive non-native species.	To manage the Woodland and Shoreline so as to protect and enhance its biodiversity and its landscape value, while providing suitable public access.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Map JKW- 2. SEPA Licence- LL&TNP volunteers and start spraying programme in unison with A&BC. 3. Produce a Habitat Map- assess the effects of grazing (ad-hoc) on the saltmarsh. 4 Habitat Map to be split into compartments 	To be identified via mapping exercise.	<p>1</p> <p>2-4</p>
<p>2. To provide and enhance provisions for public access.</p>	Provide clear signage through the LNR		Signage should be clear and appropriate to the site setting.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Investigate path options to the A 815 road 2. Signage for dog walkers during optimum bird nesting and feeding times- SNH has information on their website. 3. Sign declaring 		<p>Ongoing up to year 5</p> <p>1.</p> <p>1.</p>

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3. To maintain access ways and other facilities used by visitors.	Maintain paths, bridges, drainage, birdhide and signage in the Reserve.	Identify parts of the path where poor drainage and natural regeneration occurs.	Ensure that the Woodland and Shoreline is kept in a reasonably safe condition, while respecting its semi-wild character, and that access ways and equipment provided in the LNR are kept in good condition.	1. Improve path drainage and remove natural regeneration, 2. Top up the path with the appropriate material- Type 1. 3. Develop a Path Maintenance Plan. 4. Annual ongoing maintenance of the Birdhide.		1. 1-2
	Maintain the Reserve through regular inspection, repair, and safeguarding		As above	1. Investigate funding reserves to replace facilities.		3-5
4. To encourage and publicise research.	Encourage research into the Shoreline and Woodland plants and wildlife and publish the results		Identify: - which species might need protection, or might need to be controlled; - how greater biodiversity can be encouraged; - how the Wood relates to the local community and to tourism	1. Investigate Citizen Science opportunities. 2. LL&TNP Ranger involvement to be investigated.		1- 5

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5. To encourage and promote education and recreation.	Enhance the use of the Woodland, Birdhide and Saltmarsh for educational purposes.	To establish a website and QR code.	Develop further both the support which the Woodland, Shoreline can give to education and the support that education can give to the Shoreline and Woodland.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. LL&TNP may have an Educational resource available. 2. Nature Reserve Website- possible to down load pdf work sheets and look to other technology like QR codes. 		2-4
6. To support voluntary involvement.	Establish policies for recreation which take account of the different needs of users.		Activities will be small-scale, involving individuals, families or other small groups, and those that organise activities. Priority will be given to local schools with other organised activities cleared through the Holy Loch LNR contact so as to promote enjoyment of the reserve.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop a strategy to inform action. 		1-2