# Baxter's Bugs, Bats and Birds a community project



### The 'Wet Area' coming alive



- The Community to take on a neglected site around a natural spring in the park
- Rejuvenate existing plantings, improve site as a wildlife friendly habitat, targeting identified species.

### The setting: Baxter Park

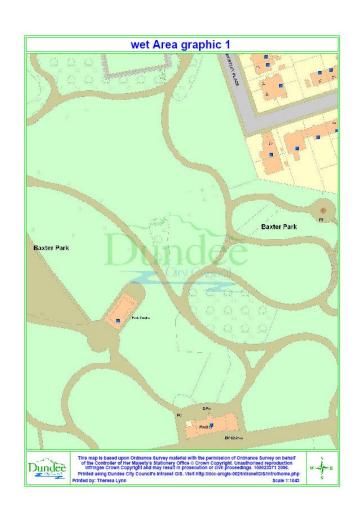




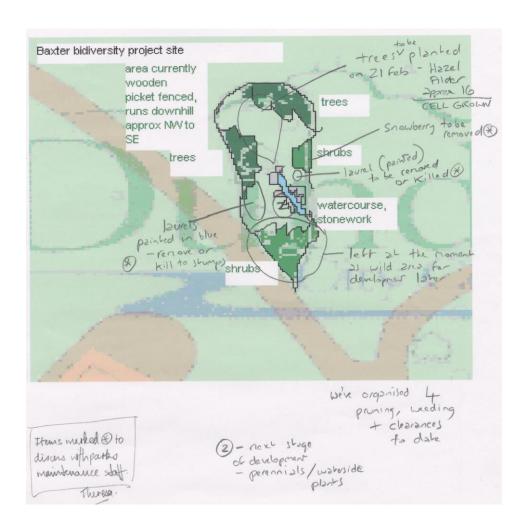
#### **Baxter Park**



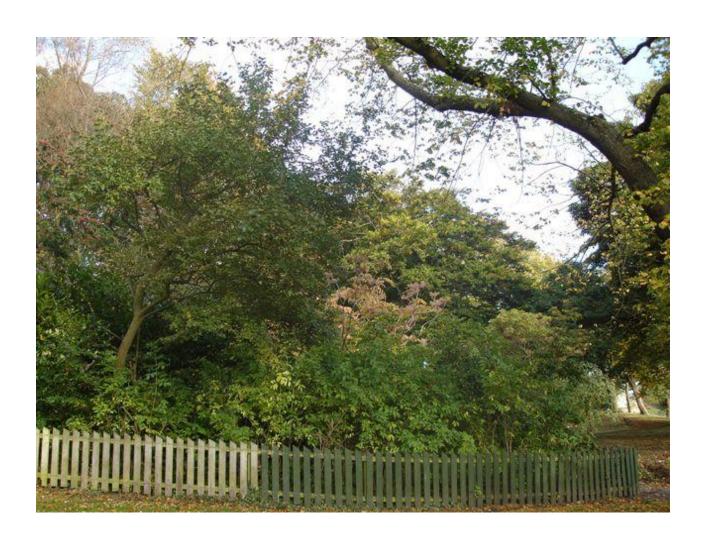
## Park Layout



#### The Site



### In the beginning....



### Watercourse



## Planting



## ... possibilities ...



#### ... if we could release them ...



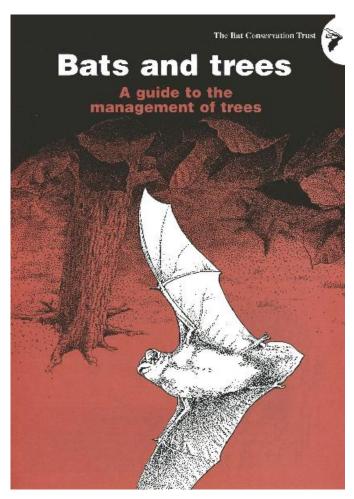
#### Some more desirable than others ...







# Research and Community engagement





## Plans made, Resources sought.... Got our funding end of last season – hurrah!

























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## meanwhile the work began: identification ...... re-structuring





## ..and carried on .. undergrowth ..... regular cleaning





## Until the site began to transform removing large trees...planting to scale

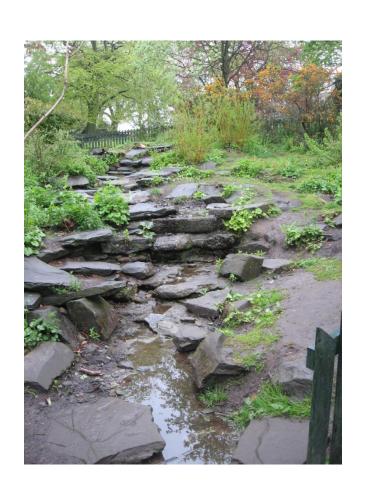




## And at last the major planting and installation season is here

- This season, 2010, the site will continue to acquire the resources that the Biodiversity funding has made possible: more layered plantings with native species, offering food and cover, sites for bird & bat boxes, and refuges for 'smaller' residents.
- A steady core group of local people undertake monthly sessions on the site, and special events to keep the wider park users informed and involved, when needed.

### The new structure emerges





### A new diversity of Park habitats







## Can't wait... just you come and see us by the Autumn ....



The end of the beginning 14 May 2010

