

Impact of COVID-19 on biodiversity in Perth and Kinross Survey Sheet

This survey aims to ascertain if there is a difference in biodiversity in areas of grass usually cut by Perth and Kinross Council (PKC) that are no longer being cut because of COVID-19 in comparison to grass which has continued to be cut. For more information see the Survey Information Sheet.

Method: Select an area maintained by PKC (**adhering to all COVID-19 lockdown restrictions and guidance**). The area should contain an area of grass normally cut by PKC that has been left uncut due to COVID-19. Your area should be larger than 1m² in total. Fill in the yellow section for an area 1m². Then select an area that has continued to be cut as usual during lockdown 1m² in size and use it to fill in the green section. Survey between 7am-6pm in dry conditions. Submit at least two photos for each survey sheet: one close-up and one in context to be able to find the area in future. If no area of normally cut grass is present, leave the green section blank. Email sheet and photos to JoannaDick@pkc.gov.uk Please keep safe at all times. Thank you for your help!

Location name:	Grid reference:	Circle one: Urban Suburban Rural
Circle one: Park Verge Graveyard Residential area	Connected to another green area: Yes/No	Area being used by people at time of survey: Yes/No
Recorder name(s):	Date & time:	Weather conditions:

	UNCUT GRASS DUE TO COVID-19					GRASS CUT AS NORMAL				
Wildflowers in flower present	Yes		No			Yes		No		
Wildflowers going to seed present	Yes		No			Yes		No		
Number of different looking wildflower species										
Most common wildflower species (if known)										
Butterflies present	Yes		No			Yes		No		
Number of different looking butterfly species										
Most common butterfly species (if known)										
Bees present	Yes		No			Yes		No		
Other insects present	Yes		No			Yes		No		
Evidence of litter present	Yes		No			Yes		No		
Evidence of dog fouling present	Yes		No			Yes		No		
Is the area in the shade	Yes		No			Yes		No		
Distance to nearest tree(s)	_____ metres					_____ metres				
How does the area look? Circle one. 1: unmanaged and messy 2: unkempt 3: OK 4: pretty 5: beautiful	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Other sightings and additional comments:										

