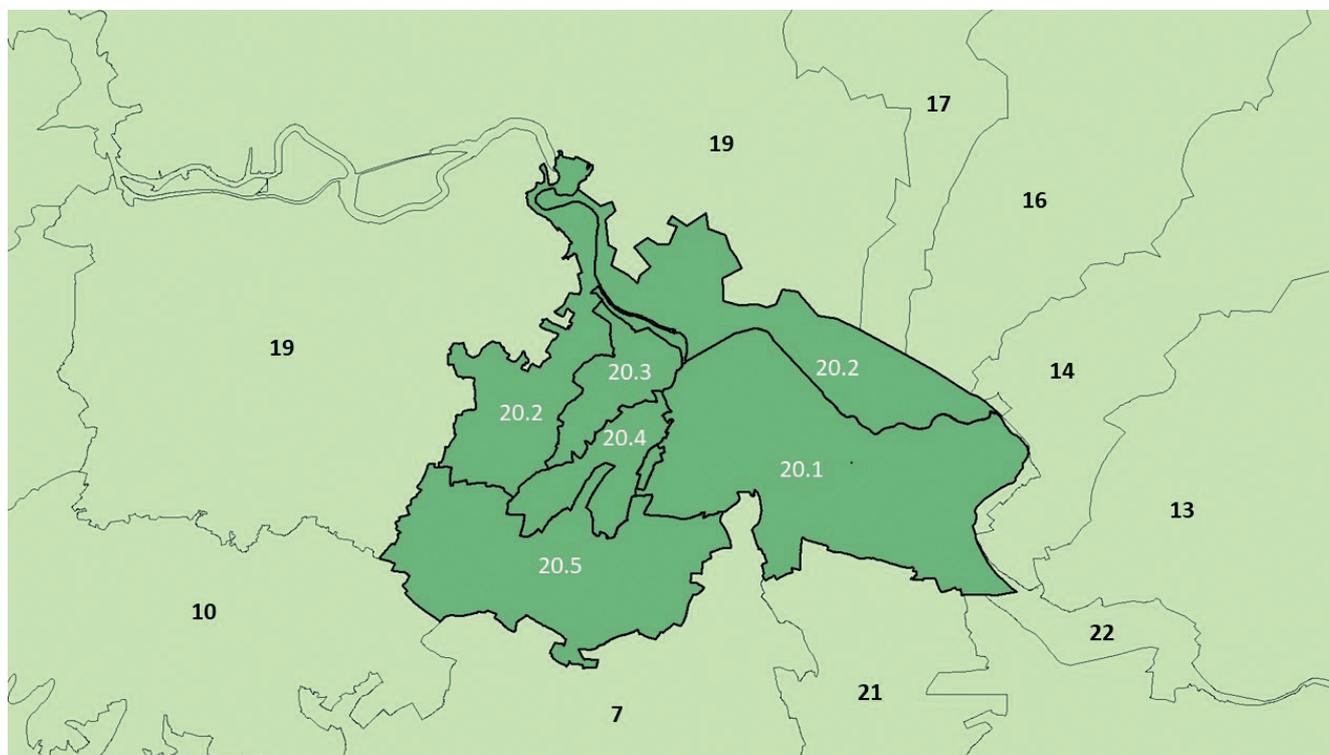


5.20 Keynsham and Environs

Forest of Avon



Map Ref: 20.1
Keynsham and Avon Valley
east of Keynsham Hams/ Willsbridge
(includes B&NES14 and SGC16)

- a. Ensure all woodlands have a Forestry Commission management plan (or equivalent), addressing broad objectives, supporting their preparation and delivery.
- b. Establish new native woodlands linking existing community woodlands as part of an accessible woodland framework around the southern, eastern and northern fringes of Keynsham, integrating recent and any future development into the wider landscape, whilst conserving priority habitats, historic monuments and viewpoints.
- c. Establish groups of trees, to reduce the impact of the urban edges of Keynsham upon Stockwood Vale, whilst conserving priority habitats and viewpoints.
- d. Establish individual and groups of trees and small woodlands within parks and greenspaces addressing inequalities in tree canopy cover and with a strong community dimension to their location, size and care.
- e. Establish individual and groups of trees and small woodlands within primary and secondary school grounds, with school responsibility for their care.
- f. Establish individual and small groups of trees in/ adjacent to streets, addressing inequalities in tree canopy cover and with a strong community dimension to their location, size and care. Ensure any new development requires the conservation and planting of trees within the site and as determined by scale and impact, includes off-site tree and woodland planting.
- g. Conserve and regenerate hedgerow boundaries with an initial focus on those outside grant schemes, which are not low cut and/or where hedgerow trees are present.
- h. Conserve hedgerow and other field trees and plant new ones at irregular spacings where absent within hedged boundaries.
- i. Ensure that public access routes are easy to use and follow.



Map Ref: 20.2

**Avon Valley west of Keynsham Hams/
Willsbridge (SGC14, SGC16)**

- a. Ensure all woodlands have a Forestry Commission management plan (or equivalent), addressing broad objectives, supporting their preparation and delivery. Focus on ASNW and SSSIs in the area first.
- b. Establish areas of native trees and small woodlands to buffer ASNW/SSSIs and extend the woodland corridor into urban areas north and south of the River Avon, and consolidate the landscape towards Longwell Green, while conserving Coastal and Floodplain Grazing Marsh and other priority habitats, historic monuments and viewpoints. Use natural regeneration where possible, adjacent to ASNW/SSSIs.
- c. Ensure any new development requires the conservation and planting of trees within the site and as determined by scale and impact, includes off-site tree and woodland planting.
- d. Conserve and regenerate hedgerow boundaries with an initial focus on those outside grant schemes, which are not low cut and/or where hedgerow trees are present.
- e. Conserve hedgerow and other field trees and plant new ones at irregular spacings where absent within hedged boundaries.
- f. Ensure that public access routes are easy to use and follow, creating routes to help manage recreational use of sensitive sites.

- d. Conserve and regenerate hedgerow boundaries with an initial focus on those which are not low cut and/or where hedgerow trees are present.
- e. Conserve hedgerow and other field trees and plant new ones at irregular spacings where absent within hedged boundaries.
- f. Ensure that public access routes are easy to use and follow and establish a route linking the Avon Valley and Stockwood Open Space.



Map Ref: 20.4

Stockwood Vale (B&NES9)

- a. Ensure all woodlands have a Forestry Commission management plan (or equivalent), addressing broad objectives, supporting their preparation and delivery.
- b. Establish small native woodlands linking those existing within the valley bottom, whilst conserving priority habitats, historic monuments and viewpoints.
- c. Establish groups of trees, to reduce the impact of the urban edges of Keynsham and Stockwood upon the valley, whilst conserving priority habitats and viewpoints.
- d. Ensure any new development requires the conservation and planting of trees within the site and as determined by scale and impact, includes off-site tree and woodland planting.
- e. Conserve and regenerate hedgerow boundaries with an initial focus on those which are not low cut and/or where hedgerow trees are present.
- f. Conserve hedgerow and other field trees and plant new ones at irregular spacings where absent within hedged boundaries.
- g. Ensure that public access routes are easy to use and follow.



Map Ref: 20.3

Hicks Gate (B&NES10)

- a. Ensure all woodlands have a Forestry Commission management plan (or equivalent), addressing broad objectives, supporting their preparation and delivery.
- b. Establish groups of trees and accessible native woodlands linking the woodlands of the Avon Valley to Stockwood Open Space, integrating a diverse land uses in the wider landscape, while conserving priority habitats, historic monuments and viewpoints.
- c. Ensure any new development requires the conservation and planting of trees within the site and as determined by scale and impact, includes off-site tree and woodland planting.



Map Ref: 20.5

Dundry Plateau (B&NES5)

- a. Ensure all woodlands have a Forestry Commission management plan (or equivalent), addressing broad objectives, supporting their preparation and delivery.
- b. Establish groups of trees and small native woodlands in the 'A37 Gap' linking woodlands in Stockwood Open Space to those in the Chew Valley, conserving priority habitats, historic monuments and viewpoints.
- c. Ensure any new development requires the conservation and planting of trees within the site and as determined by scale and impact, includes off-site tree and woodland planting.
- d. Conserve and regenerate hedgerow boundaries with an initial focus on those outside grant schemes, which are not low cut and/or where hedgerow trees are present.
- e. Conserve hedgerow and other field trees and plant new ones at irregular spacings where absent within hedged boundaries.
- f. Conserve and restore dry stone walls, with an initial focus on those outside grant schemes.
- g. Ensure the Community Forest Path and other public access routes are easy to use and follow.