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- Educate & Upskill
- Address Biodiversity & Climate crisis
- Provide Nature Based Solutions
- Help change attitudes towards forestry
- Engage with LAs & local communities in the expansion of urban & rural tree planting



Goal 15: Life on Land

Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss.

THE GLOBAL GOALS



































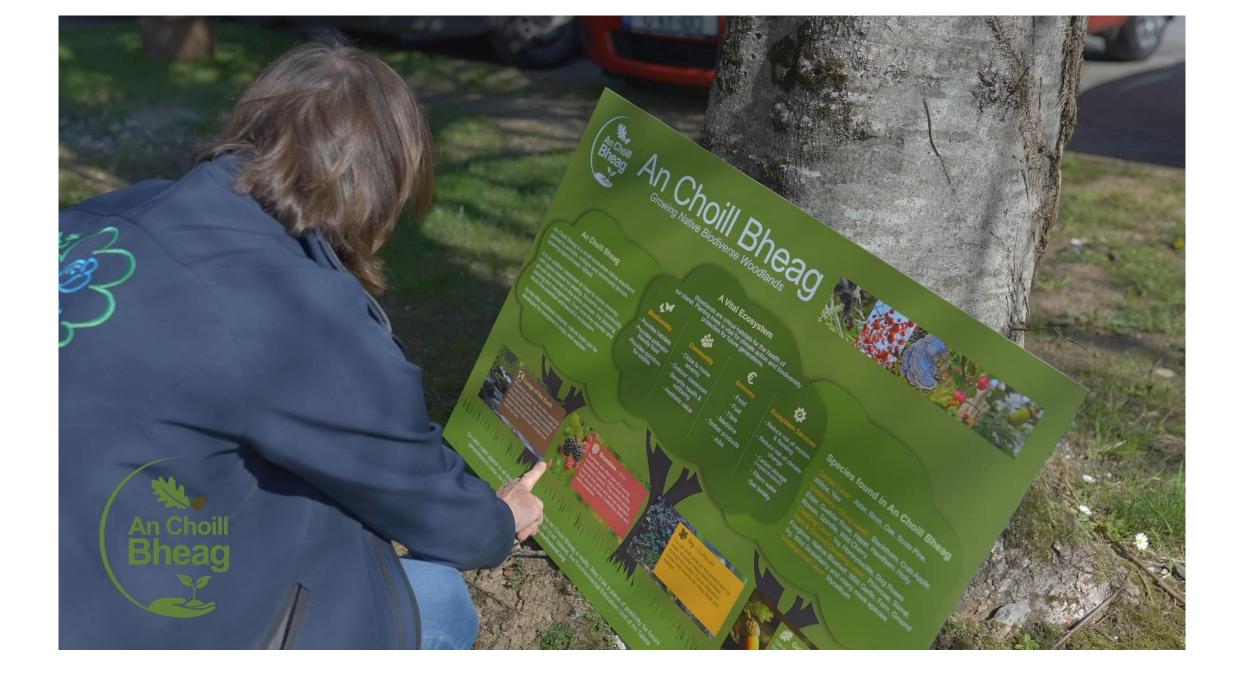






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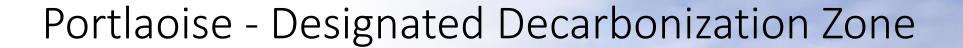






Laois Local Authority Addressing the Biodiversity Emergency





Planting Little Woodlands:

- 3 Primary Schools
- 1 Education Centre



An Choill Bheag

- Native Biodiverse Habitats
- Places for People & Wildlife
- School & Community Spaces
- Outdoor Classrooms
- Citizen Science
- Wellbeing



An Choill Bheag Objectives

- Site specific
- Flexible & Practical
- Share & Collaborate
- Accessible, affordable & replicable
- Provide support via educational resources
- Purchase trees of Irish provenance (where possible)
- Use local resources (where possible)





- ✓ Plant approx. 200 mixed native trees (200m²)
- ✓ Include space for seating
- ✓ Develop nature trails
- ✓ Include signage

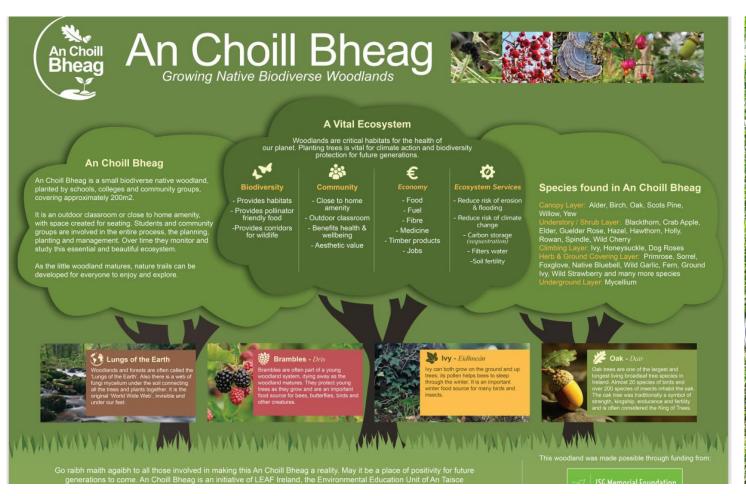


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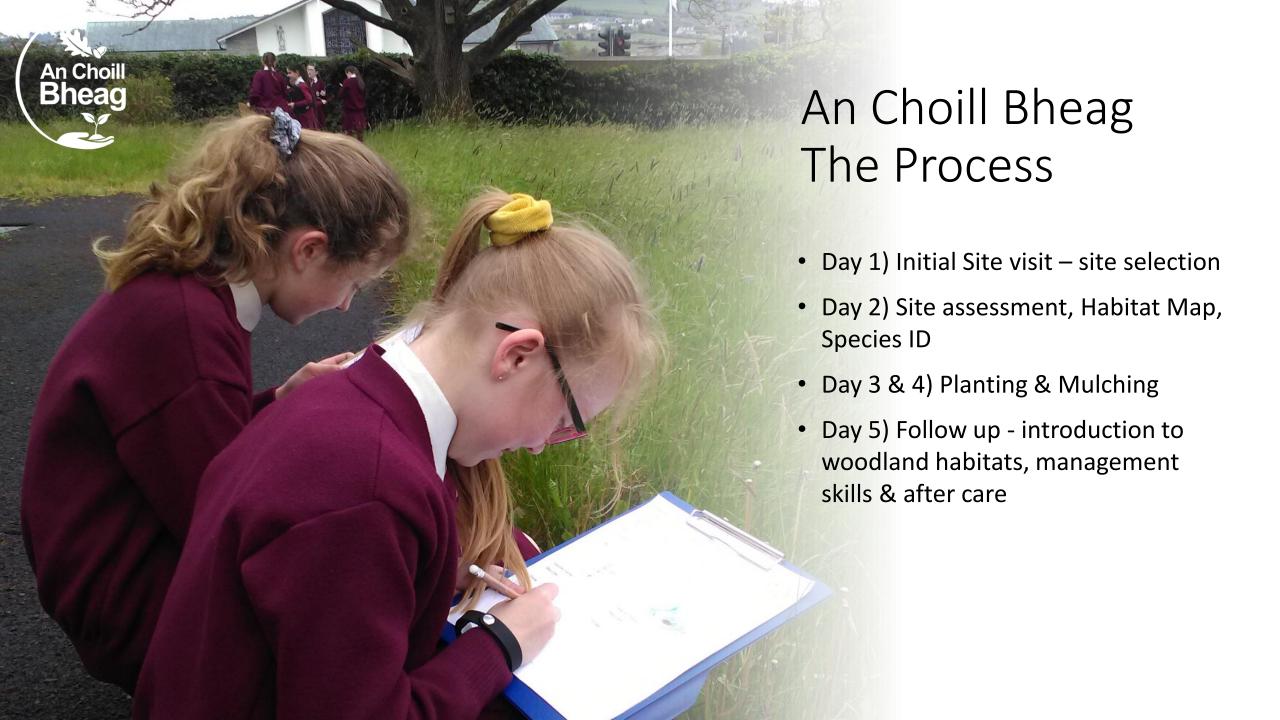
- Essential ecological corridors
- Allow wildlife to move from one habitat to another
- Connect fragmented habitats
- Can help reduce noise & air pollution
 - Elder, spindle, guelder rose are particularly good as shrubby species



Educational Signs







Tree species

- ✓ Alder
- ✓ Aspen
- ✓ Birch (downy)
- ✓ Birch (silver)
- ✓ Cherry (wild)
- ✓ Cherry (bird)
- ✓ Blackthorn
- ✓ Crab apple
- ✓ Hazel
- ✓ Hawthorn



Tree species

- ✓ Holly
- ✓ Juniper
- ✓ Oak (pedunculate)
- ✓ Oak (sessile)
- ✓ Rowan/Mountain ash
- ✓ Scots pine
- ✓ Strawberry tree
- √ Whitebeam
- ✓ Willow
- ✓ Wych elm
- ✓ Yew



Biodiversity





- Ivy
- Bramble
- Nettles
- Dandelions
- Daisy
- Wild grasses
- Mushrooms

Biodiversity





- Woodlouse
- Centipedes / Millipedes
- Moths
- Beetles
- Bumble bees
- Butterflies
- Dragonflies / Damselflies

