

**Biodiversity and the Business Case** 

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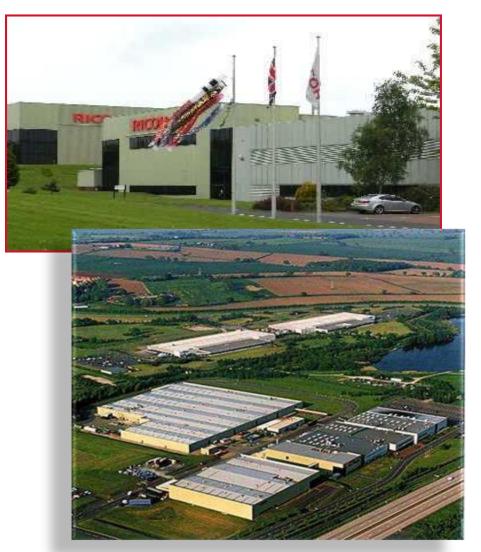


- Strategy & Reasons for partnership
- Language
- Identifying mutual benefit
- Examples & results



### **Ricoh UK Products Ltd**





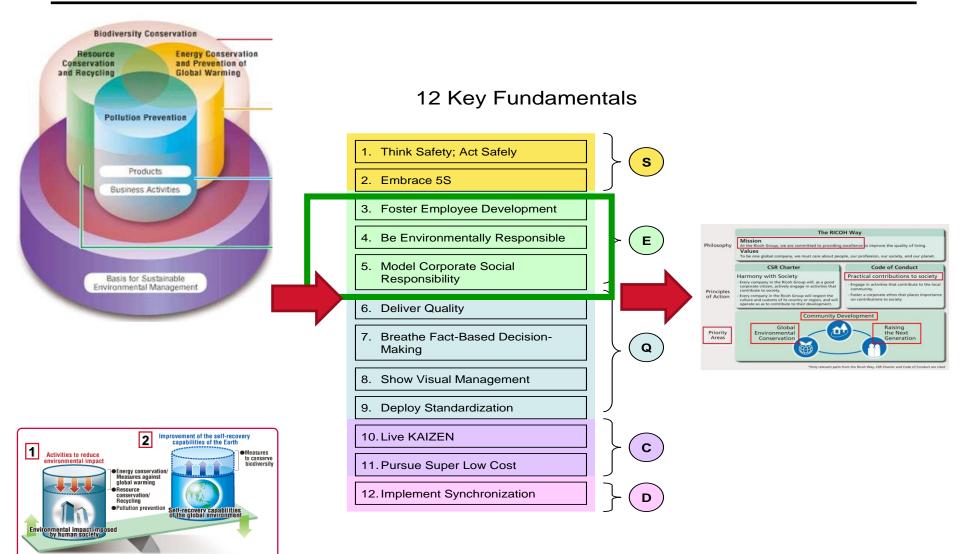
- Established in 1985
- Based in Telford, Shropshire
- £300 million annual turnover
- Supplying European market place
  - Toner consumables
  - Production Print machines
  - Additive manufacturing
  - Ink Jet manufacturing



Ricoh Group's global environmental conservation: Keeping environmental impact within the self-recovery capabilities of the Earth

### **Strategy & Culture**







### **14001:2015** Interested Parties



- ISO 14001:2004 standard placed little emphasis on understanding stakeholders and lacked the outward approach that can take advantage of wider lifecycle opportunities.
- ISO 14001:2015 Stakeholders (interested parties) are defined as a person or organisation that can either affect, be affected by, or perceive itself to be affected by an organisation's decision or activity.
- Focusses on business gains through environmental improvements and understanding and responding to the needs and expectations of stakeholders.





- 2008: Ricoh Group Biodiversity Standard
- Joined as Shropshire Wildlife Corporate member
- 1st project offer "repairing dry stone wall 20 miles away" ......
- Rules of Engagement:
  - Local
  - Physical
  - Targeted



# 2009: Pied Flycatcher Project



















- Constructed and installed 80 nest boxes
- 2009 Survey
  - -8 adult pairs
  - -50 chicks



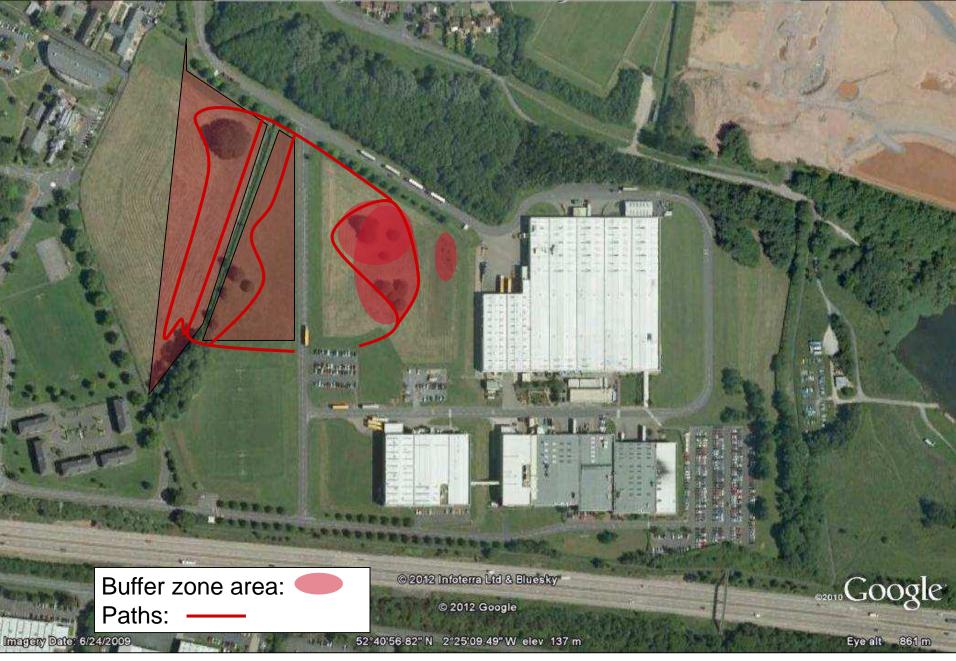
## Project development: Ricoh Eco Ninjas



- Small mammal surveys
- Tree planting & management
- Camera trapping
- Establishing community groups



Site Map: Biodiversity Buffer Zones





# **Natural Capital with Health & Well-being**















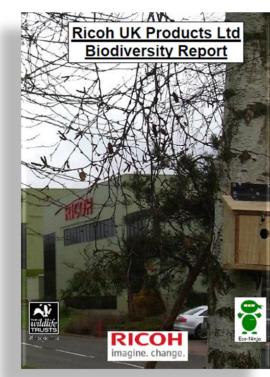


## **Activity Reporting**



- Biodiversity Report: record of activity
- Evidence for corporate reporting
- Tracks employee engagement
- Used to support contract tenders









### **Hierarchy of Corporate Biodiversity**



 Strategy enabling organisations to visualise and plan the level of engagement appropriate to their business



Integrated Leadership **Advocate Biodiversity Partnership** Stakeholder **On-Site Conservation Partnerships Projects** & Resources **Partnership Lead Off-Site Conservation Projects** Volunteering **Support for Local Conservation Projects Corporate Membership** Contract

Society Results

Hierarchy not to be reproduced without permission (SWT)

**Biodiversity Engagement** 

**Business Value Added** 



evelopment

Personnel

### **Employee Engagement & Advocacy**





Social Responsibility

Business Excellence Model

Customer Results 15%



- Business led Environmental Network (<u>www.telfordbesst.co.uk</u>) formed 2002.
- Mission: "To enhance the environmental performance of local business; In turn boosting efficiency and reducing the impact on the global environment"
- Providing a forum to share BESST practice between companies to improve sustainability
- Includes Businesses, Environment Agency and Shropshire Wildlife Trust, Telford Business Board etc.

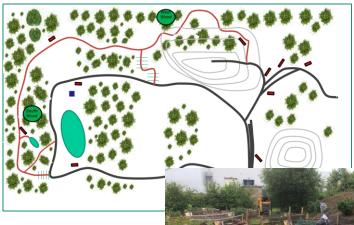


















# ECO Garden – At Present

# Lyreco,

### Currently we have:

✓ Planted over 200m of various flora for the hedge perimeter.

✓ Dug up the path and pond area using Speedy.

✓ Installed path borders using wood provided by NCS.





### **Saint Gobain**



- Landfill remediation project
- Planted Black Thorn,
   Dogwood, Oak,
   Rowan, Ash,
   Hawthorn,
   Guelder Rose and Hazel.



13 SPECIFICALLY PROPOGATED DISEASE RESISTANT ELM SAPLINGS
Thanks to Alcoa Foundation / Shropshire Wildlife Trust / BESST



## **Craemer UK**





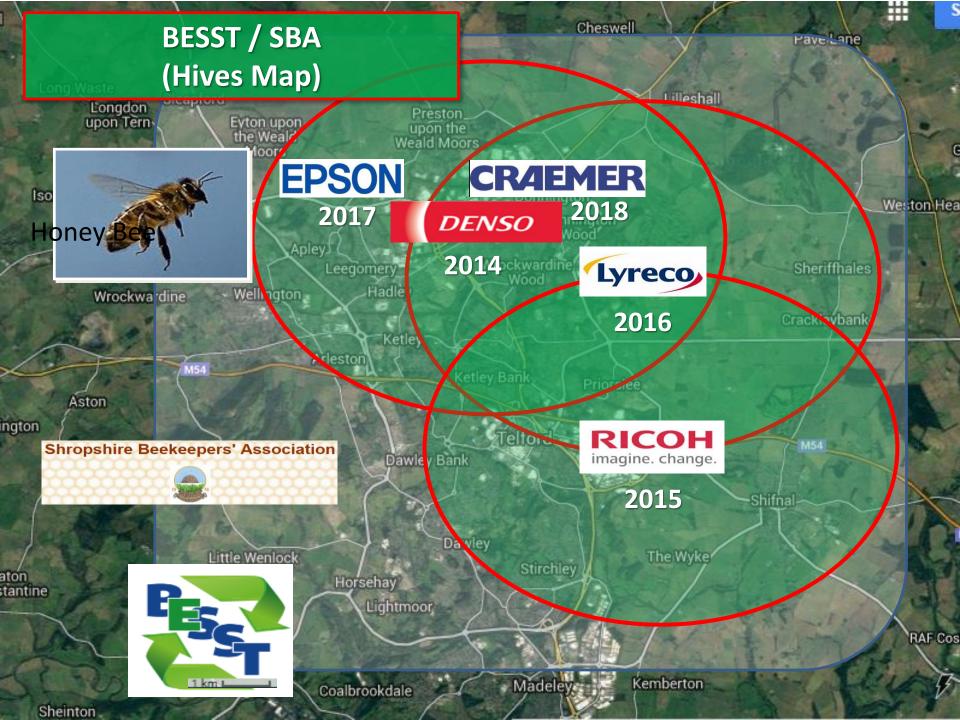


### **Agri-Sector Support**



- Decline of pollinators
- BESST collaborating with Shropshire Beekeeping Association
- Using business sites for hives and training
- Supports local agricultural sector







## **Shelter Wildlife Together**



















Recycling REFUSE into REFUGE





- Focus: Water Framework Directive
- Telford: failing water quality catchment area
- Pollution sources urban and rural
- Business need pollution prevention (compliance) to avoid prosecution / business disruption / reputation loss (business continuity)
- Develop partnership working to tackle issue



### Middle Severn Catchment Steering Group









**MFU** 















- Investigate Source Pollution
- Stop Pollution
- Improve water quality

# Community / Business / Wildlife Trust / Agency Partnership

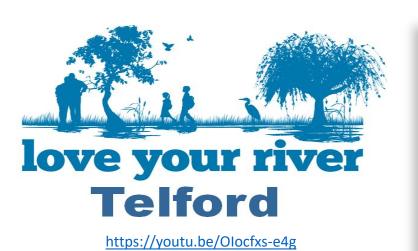








- Water sampling
- Report pollution





### **Benefits**

- Multiple benefits for the environment and people
- 6 of 8 waterbodies showing improvements
- Ecosystem services CBR 1:3.39
- Efficient approach
- >£7M savings for businesses
- · Better organisational relationships
- A healthier community better aware of their rivers

Waterbody	Status at start of project (Cycle 1 2009 data)	Status movement	Current status (Cycle 1 2016 data)
Lyde Brook: (GB109054049530)	BAD	<b>1</b>	MODERATE
North Telford Interceptor: (GB109054050110)	MODERATE	<b>1</b>	GOOD
Red Strine: (GB109054050120)	POOR	<b>1</b>	MODERATE
River Strine: (GB109054050140)	POOR	<b>1</b>	MODERATE
Mad Brook: (GB109054050280)	BAD	<b>1</b>	MODERATE
Ketley Brook: (GB109054050100)	MODERATE	<b>1</b>	MODERATE
Wesley Brook: (GB109054050060)	MODERATE	<b>→</b>	MODERATE
Beanhill Brook: (GB109054050090)	POOR	<b>→</b>	POOR





### **SUDS** in action



# CR4EMER







### **Supporting SWT**

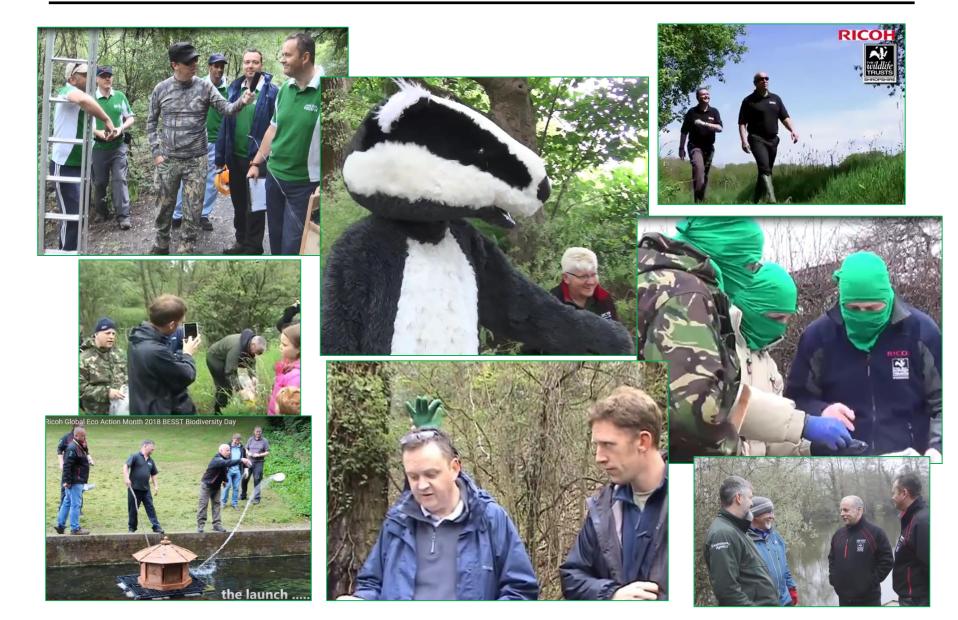


- Scrapyard based in National Nature Rreserve closed after 50 years
- SWT project to restore several areas of Fenns, Whixall, Bettisfield and Wem Mosses.
- First phase was to remove 60,000 tyres.
- Ricoh / BESST recycling experience utilised to ensure 'duty of care'.











### **2018 Activities**

















## 2018: Pied Flycatcher Update





"The pied flycatcher nest box scheme on the Wrekin held the highest number of breeding pairs this summer (2018) since it began in 2009. Sixteen pairs of pied flycatcher were recorded and 59 young produced. 516 young pied flycatcher have now been raised in the scheme" <a href="https://tinyurl.com/ybh5uvfe">https://tinyurl.com/ybh5uvfe</a>



















### **Marches Business Boards**

Telford, Shrewsbury, Hereford





### **Marches Growth Hubs**

Telford, Shrewsbury, Hereford

# Marches Business Environment Networks (MBENs)



Marches
Nature Partnership

Environmental Science Industrial Advisory Board

#### **BESST**

Business Environmental Support Scheme Telford



Meres & Mosses

### MMBEN

Meres & Mosses

Business Environmental Network



Business Future s Forum

Shropshire & Telford Local Nature Partnership

> Hereford Local Nature Partnership

Centre for Research into Environmental Science and Technology

(CREST: University Central Shrewsbury)

#### MBEN communicating with:

- University of Wolverhampton
- Harper Adams University
- University Centre Telford
- Hereford University Centre

Provides environmental intelligence, voice of business, sustainability best practice

Provides environmental project evaluation and validation (Priority 6) and natural capital development Provides environmental student placement links, voice of business, encourages Marches skill retention





### Business benefits

- Employee engagement
- Health & wellbeing improvements
- Proactive compliance
- Social responsibility evidence
- Supports sales (customer demand)
- 14001 stakeholder evidence

### Natural Capital Enhancement

- Maintains onsite land value
- Lawton Making space for nature 2010 (biodiversity islands)
- Local community partnerships for targeted conservation

### Strategy alignment

- UK Government strategies
- UN Sustainable Development Goals

