



Species and Habitat Action Plan Assessment Form

Please refer to the accompanying guidance for information about how to complete this form and an explanation of terms used

Field 1: Action Plan details

Species/Habitat Action Plan	<i>Stenus palposus</i>
Lead Partner/Agency	Environment and Heritage Service
Steering Group/Other organisations	No
Work programme in existence?	No

Field 2: Objectives and targets overview

Please list the targets for the action plan, indicating in which country/region the target is applicable, and additional comments including the rationale for new targets. For each new target please add new sequential paragraph numbers and target text. Please provide information about progress and country disaggregation in Table A for all targets.

Number and text	UK	E	NI	S	W	Comments
4.1 Ensure that the known population is maintained through appropriate site protection and management.			x			
4.2 Locate and conserve any other extant populations around Lough Neagh by 1998.			x			

Field 3: Proposed actions overview

Please list the proposed actions for the action plan, indicating in which country/region the action is applicable. For each new action please add new sequential paragraph numbers and action text. If the action is regarded as significant (please see guidance) indicate this in the box and provide further details in Table B. For actions not regarded as significant simply state if the action is ongoing or complete. Remember any action which is being dropped from the workplan will be regarded as significant for the first round of reporting.

Number and text	UK	E	NI	S	W	Action significant?	Action complete or ongoing? (Please state yes, not started, or ongoing.)
5.2.1 Ensure that the management statement for the Lough Neagh ASSI takes the needs of the beetle into account. (ACTION: DoE(NI))			x				Ongoing
5.2.2 Control the numbers of grazing animals on the beach. (ACTION: DoE(NI))			x				Not started

5.2.3 Ensure that sand extraction at Lough Neagh does not threaten the habitat of the beetle. (ACTION: DoE(NI))			x				Not started
5.3.1 Consider scheduling the species within the Wildlife (Northern Ireland) Order 1985. (ACTION: DoE(NI))			x				Not started
5.4.1 Provide advice on land management to all those who own or manage land adjoining the site. (ACTION: DoE(NI))			x				Not started
5.5.1 Carry out further surveys to determine whether the beetle occurs elsewhere on Lough Neagh by 1998. (ACTION: DoE(NI))			x			x	Yes
5.5.2 Investigate the environmental factors which are beneficial to the beetle. (ACTION: DoE(NI))			x				Not started
5.5.3 Pass information gathered during survey and monitoring of this species to JNCC or BRC so that it can be incorporated in national databases. (ACTION: DoE(NI))			x				Ongoing
5.5.4 Provide information annually to the World Conservation Monitoring Centre on the UK status of the species to contribute to maintenance of an up-to-date global red lists. (ACTION: JNCC)	x						

Field 4: Assessment of status

Please tick the appropriate category to indicate the assessment of status of the species or habitat, for each country/region where appropriate, and provide a statement supporting the category selected.

	Not appropriate	Recovered	Signs of recovery	No change	Declining	Lost	Insufficient information
UK						X?	
England							
Northern Ireland							
Scotland							
Wales							
Brief text description justifying assessment of status: (~ no more than 100 words for each country/region)							
The species has not been recorded in Northern Ireland since 1983 and may be extinct. Since 1923 the species has only been found in the 1970s and 1980s at one location. Recent intensive survey undertaken in 1996 and 1997, both at this location and other possible sites around Lough Neagh, failed to find the species.							

Field 5: Summary statement

Please provide an overview of plan implementation, including new factors affecting the species or habitat which will accelerate or constrain progress towards meeting of the targets. Where a factor results in new action(s) please cross-reference back to the relevant numbers under Field 3 and Table B.

The species has not been recorded in Northern Ireland since 1983 and may be extinct. Recent intensive survey undertaken in 1996 and 1997 failed to find the species. Further surveys will be required to check the species status.

Field 6: Signing off

Please 'sign off' the form below to confirm that steering group members or key contacts have been consulted and agreed the information provided.

Contact details	Lead Partner	Contact Point
Name	Richard Weyl	Richard Weyl
Organisation	EHS	EHS
Assessment date (dd/mm/yy)	4/10/99	4/10/99

Completed forms should be submitted to JNCC

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Table A: Action Plan objectives and targets (Copiable table)

For each target please state how, if applicable, it has been disaggregated to the country level. Please insert the paragraph number, UK target and country-specific disaggregated target(s) into the table. Please tick the appropriate category to indicate progress against published and disaggregated targets. For each target please copy the table and detail the (existing or new [new paragraph numbers should run sequentially, under relevant headings in the published volumes]) paragraph number, target text and an assessment of progress.

Objective/target (For new or revised targets please provide the new paragraph number and target text.)	4.1 Ensure that the known population is maintained through appropriate site protection and management.				
Country	Not appropriate	Target achieved	Some progress	No progress	Insufficient information
UK				x	
England					
Northern Ireland				x	
Scotland					
Wales					
Text description of target progress (separate for each country/region): The site of the 'known' population was surveyed in 1996 and 1997 but the species was not found.					
Objective/target (For new or revised targets please provide the new paragraph number and target text.)	4.2 Locate and conserve any other extant populations around Lough Neagh by 1998.				
Country	Not appropriate	Target achieved	Some progress	No progress	Insufficient information
UK				x	
England					
Northern Ireland				x	
Scotland					
Wales					
Text description of target progress (separate for each country/region): Surveys undertaken but no extant populations were found.					

Table B: Proposed actions (Copiable table)

For each significant action please copy and complete the table below.

Published action/organisation(s) responsible (For new or revised actions please provide the new paragraph number and action text.)	5.5.1 Carry out further surveys to determine whether the beetle occurs elsewhere on Lough Neagh by 1998. (ACTION: DoE(NI))
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Work plan/organisation(s) responsible (Summary of work plan agreed by the steering group, broken down by year if possible.)	1996- Full survey of all sites 1997- Re-survey of most likely sites to hold the species	
Action/workplan undertaken? (Please state yes or no.)	Yes	
Description of work taken and organisation responsible	The surveys failed to find the species on Lough Neagh. The last record of the species was in 1983. The species may be extinct on Lough Neagh.	
Output and timescale	Internal EHS report 1997/8	Action by
Constraints to action (Please provide an explanation of the significant issues or difficulties encountered and how they have been or will be resolved. Any constraints which the steering group are unable to resolve should also be detailed.)	None	
Action complete or ongoing? (Please state yes, not started, or ongoing.)	Ongoing	
Next steps	Future surveys will be conducted for this species and <i>Stenus palposus</i>	
Output and timescale	2005	Action by