Wellbeing Biodiversity Walk

Approximate distance 1.2 miles.
Approximate time to walk 30 - 45 minutes.
Each circle on the map indicates the location of an interpretation board where you can find information on biodiversity on campus.
Outdoor walking shoes recommended.

1. Wildflower management area
   Established in 2012 this area is being managed for wildflowers and contains a wide variety of species.

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   Wildflower areas have been proven to be important habitats for encouraging bee, butterfly and other invertebrate diversity. Try and spot some of the species mentioned on the board.

3. The Key and Sensory Garden
   The Key has a number of environmentally sustainable features; and please help yourself to some of the herbs in the herb garden.

4. Coppicing for Conservation at Hazel Grove Woodland
   Coppicing is a form of woodland management that also extends the life of trees, some coppiced trees can live up to 500 years old! Follow the path through Hazel Grove between April and May to enjoy carpets of bluebells. This path has an uneven surface and may not be suitable for wheelchair users.

5. Hazel Grove: An Old Hertfordshire Bluebell Wood
   Visit this biodiversity board to find out more about Hazel Grove, how it’s managed and what species you can find here.

6. Hazel Grove management
   Hazel Grove is an oak-hornbeam coppiced woodland and is important as Hertfordshire supports a large proportion of the national total.

7. Wildflower management area (behind LRC)
   Did you know that over 140 different species of flowers, grasses and trees have been recorded on College Lane?

8. Bee Orchid Management Area
   The Bee Orchid population has declined across England as they have been picked for their attractive bee-like flowers. A single flower is up to 8 years growth and if picked, the plant is unlikely to flower and produce seeds again; so please don’t pick them.

9. Bee Orchid Management Area
   The best time to see Bee Orchids is in June to early July when their flowers are in bloom.

To find out about when guided walks are being held, or if you have any queries about biodiversity on campus contact sustainable@herts.ac.uk