

Workshops bats

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bat-friendly management plan	Creative ways to attract visitors	Offering alternative spaces	Bat-friendly restoration
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Next door, front room	Next door, back room	This room	upstairs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •What do you need to design a management plan? •Who are the experts? •Who is responsible for ecological surveys (owner, user or government)? •Which functions can be combined with bats and what is the influence of activities on bats? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •How to show the bats to the visitors without disturbing them? •What is the 'unique selling point' of bats? •Can one make money with bats? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •How to optimise an object as alternative bat site? •Can bats be persuaded to move? •What to do when the bats don't use your alternative space? •Which additional research is needed for the New Dutch Waterline to start in time with adapting objects as alternative bat sites? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •How to organise a bat-friendly restoration •How much are the extra expenses? •Are there periods one can perform a 'normal' restoration? •Do you need to use special materials?

Creative ways to attract visitors

- Bats have such an interesting life; enough to tell about to the public for education and entertainment, on several places in the NHW
- Meet a bat in the NHW. It this the one thing that connects the forts (literally) shared problem but also shared opportunity

Bat friendly restoration

- It is possible restore including bats?
- Mixed answers. Yes, but... communication, knowledge, planning. No, you have to choose between culture or nature

Alternative spaces

- Can bats be persuaded to move?
No, bats are unpredictable. We don't know the key factor...
- What when the bats don't use their new space?
Propose an experiment to force them; this is illegal. Who dares?
- Additional research: how do bats use their environment, next to the hibernation period

Bat friendly management plan

- A good management plan starts with questions, not with biased answers
- It is not about the report, the process of making a management plan is the most important
- Statement: 'The management plan of one object differs from the plan of the several objects.'