

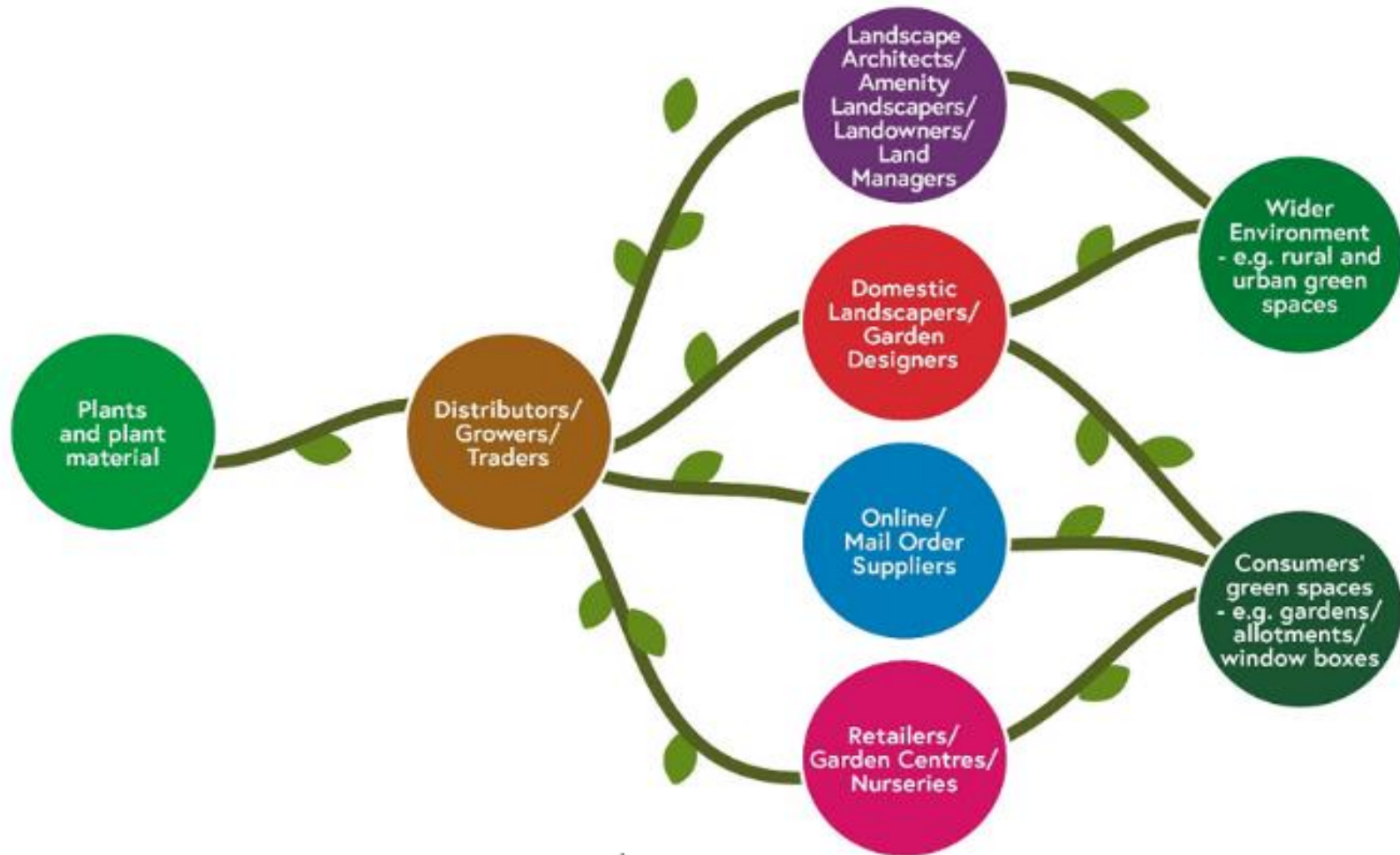


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# **Responsible Sourcing: Biosecure procurement pilot**

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# PBS Outcome 3: A Biosecure Plant Supply Chain



# Industry-led Initiatives

- Plant Health Management Standard
- Plant Healthy Certification Scheme



# Biosecure Procurement Requirement

**Plant & tree suppliers must demonstrate that they can meet the requirements of the Plant Health Management Standard**

## **Evidence:**

- Membership of the Plant Healthy Certification Scheme
- or**
- Ready to Plant assessment 'voucher' ([readytoplant.fera.uk](https://readytoplant.fera.uk))

# Pilot

- **Phase 1:** 12-month pilot for England Woodland Creation Offer (EWCO) and tree health restocking grants launched June 2022
- **Phase 2:** Local Authority Treescapes Fund (LATF), Urban Tree Challenge Fund (UTCF) and HS2 Woodland Fund launched 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023
  - Pipeline applications unaffected – only applies to applications received from launch date

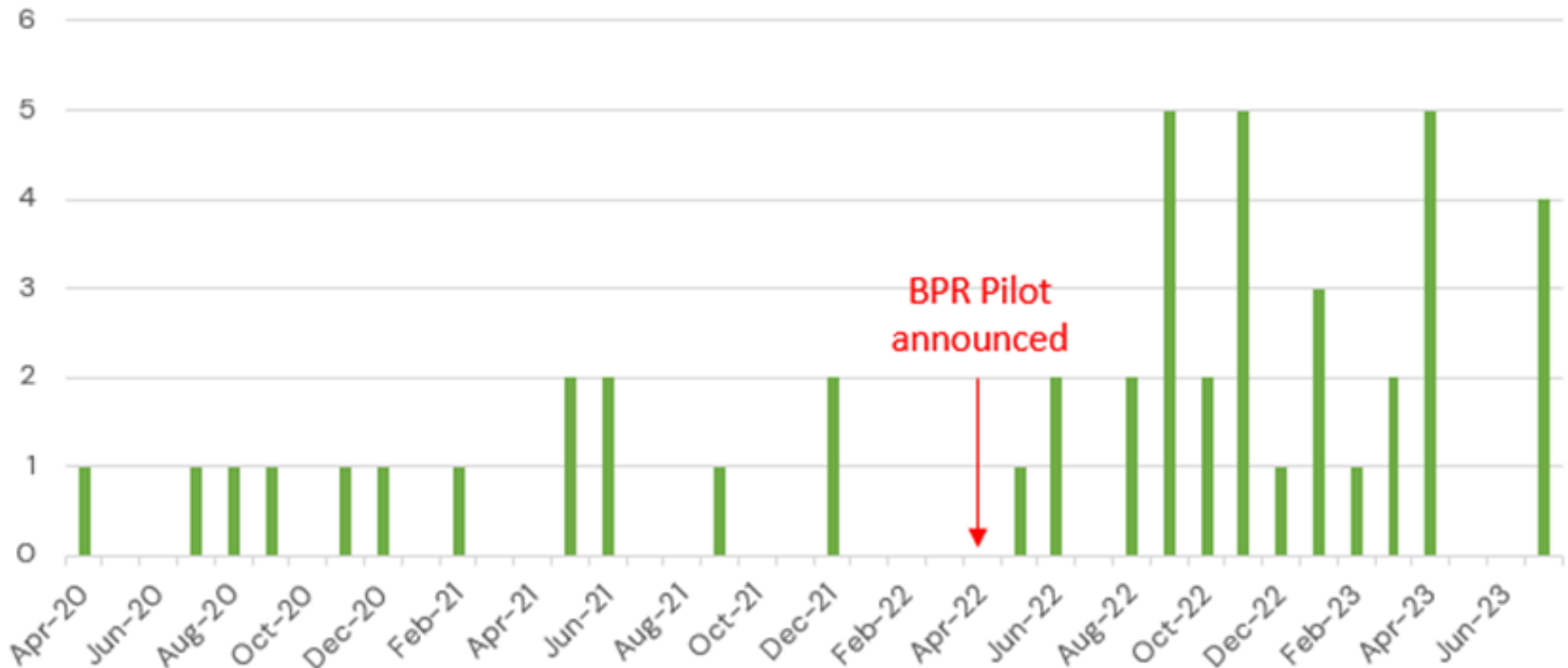
## Better biosecurity for nurseries and our future woodlands

Joe Harrison, 20 April 2022 - Tree Planting



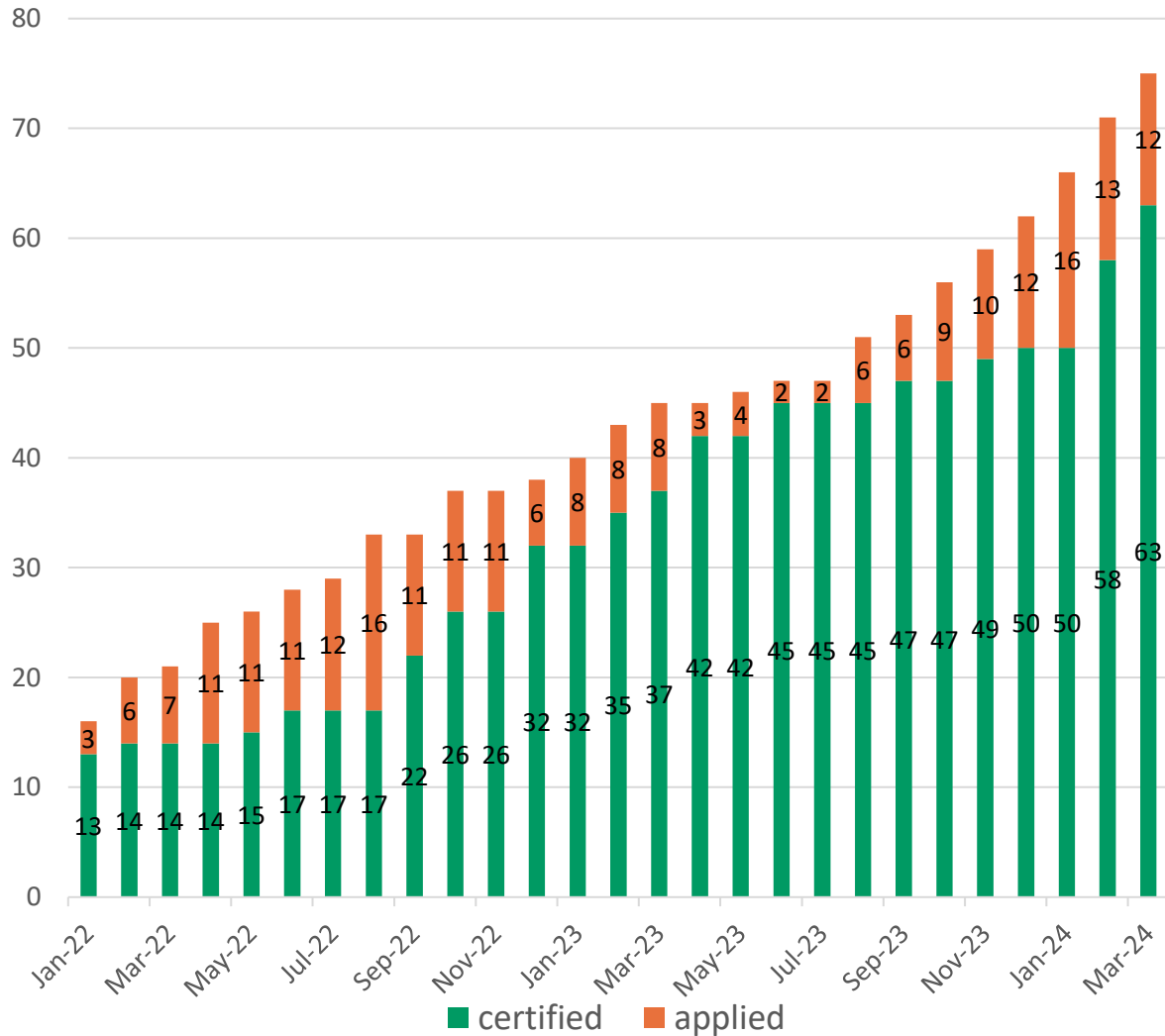
# Driving Biosecurity Standards

Number of organisations certified per month



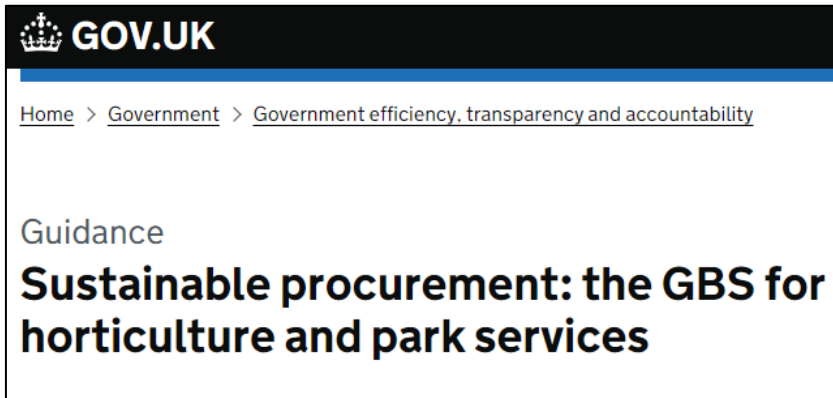


# Plant Healthy Membership



# Next Steps

- Introduce the procurement requirement across
  - all other planting grant schemes
  - central and local government commercial contracts (Government Buying Standards)
  - *planning policy for major developments* \*  
*(\*not current government policy)*



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Policy paper

**National Planning Policy Framework**

The revised National Planning Policy Framework sets out government's planning policies for England and how these are expected to be applied.



# Thank you