PEST TRUMPS

THE HONEY BEE

FACT FILE

Honeybees are small and vary in colour from golden brown to almost black. They are the providers of honey and rarely viewed as a problem pest.

DID YOU KNOW

There are over 200 types of bees in the UK but only one honeybee species. 25% of all bee types are endangered.

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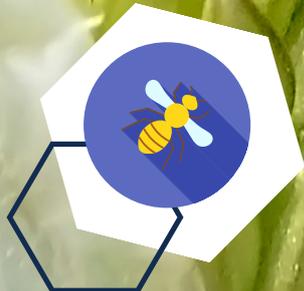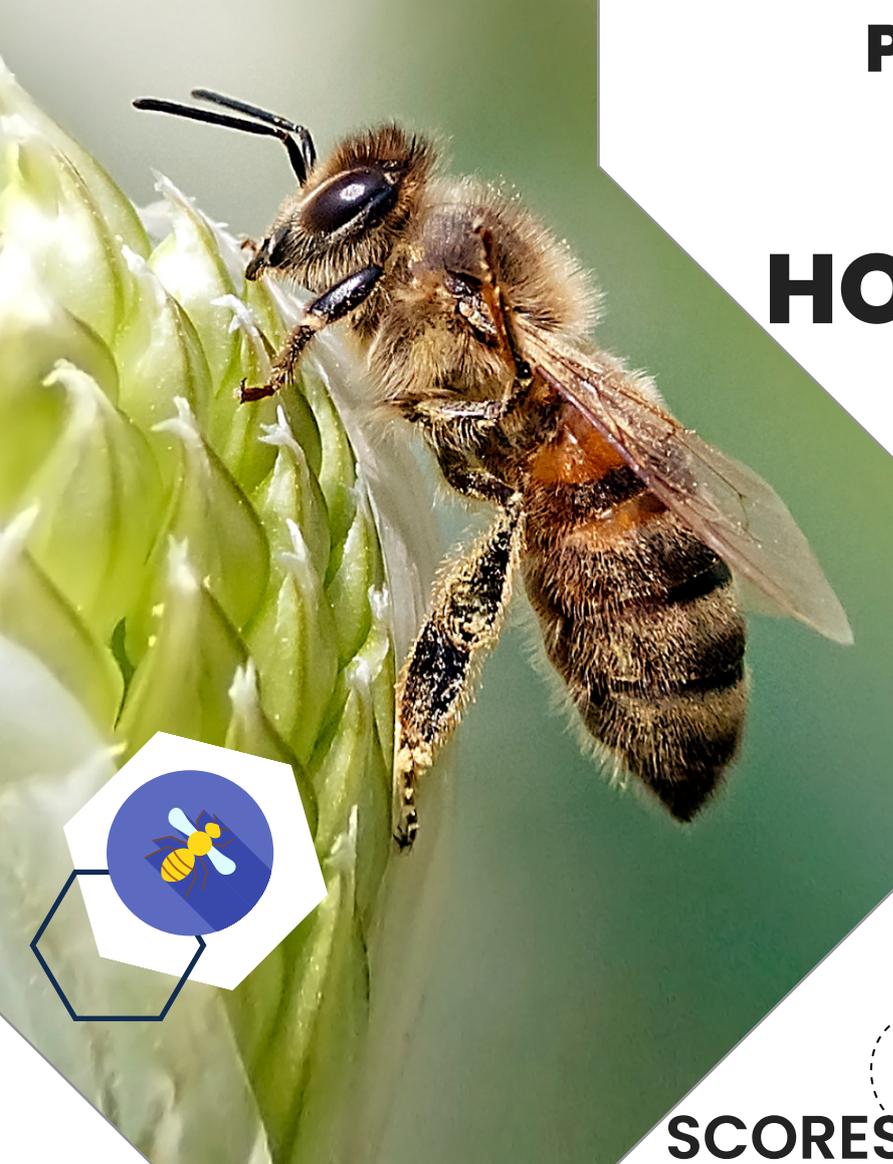
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Breeding / Life-cycle — 7

A honeybee's life-cycle is around 30 days which is good going to reach adulthood in such a short period of time. Unfortunately, they only live for a few weeks, queens can live up to 3-4 years.

Impact Factor — 8

Bees score highly in this area. They aren't disease carriers; however, they don't reach top score as in rare cases, those with allergies may suffer extreme and sometimes fatal reactions to their sting.

Nuisance Factor — 8

Bees are not a nuisance; they will keep themselves to themselves. Loss of 2 points as they can be a nuisance if they happen to wander indoors and if they are in swarms.

Agility — 9

Bees are very agile, they move in flight singly and in swarm. They fly at a speed of around 25km per hour and beat their wings 200 times per second!

Environmental — 10

If we could score them higher, we would! Bees are critical to our ecosystem as they pollinate about a third of everything we eat and so they score maximum for their eco-friendly credentials!

Superpower — smell

Honeybees have a serious sense of smell with around 170 odorant receptors. This helps them to recognise different types of flowers and to communicate within the hive.

PGM Pest Trumps Rating 10/10

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Overall PGM Review

Honeybees get our top pest trump marks. Vital to our eco system their threat to a small minority of the public is far outweighed by their benefit to Earth and all its inhabitants.
PGM & Son Pest Control Hereford and Worcester advises **#LEAVE THEM BEE!**

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