## 6.4 The Mitigation Hierarchy

Fig 9: The Mitigation hierarchy<sup>1</sup>

Avoid	Minimise	Remediate	Compensate
Where possible habitat damage should be avoided	Where possible habitat damage and loss should be minimised	Where possible any damaged or lost habitat should be restored	As a last resort, damaged or lost habitat should be compensated for.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Natural England (2019)The Biodiversity Metric 2.0 User Guide Page 9