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BUILDING THE BEEARC: THE NATURE OF THE FUTURE
Colony Collapse Disorder is perhaps the most stark expression of what can happen to a living organism when too much is asked of it. Over commercialisation of the honeybee has at its worst brought about critical system collapse for honeybee colonies, especially, but not exclusively in the US.

CCD involves a sudden and complete disconnection of those forces which maintain coherence, complex management and integration of the superorganism that is the honeybee. The natural multifaceted immune system of the honeybee – that which keeps it together- collapses despite the presence of food and brook back in the hive.

Whilst we may argue about measurable and specific causation the truth is obvious. The demise of the honeybee mirrors much of what is taking place in every realm of nature.

CCD illustrates the eventual impact of multiple stresses on any organism, and ultimately on the life of human beings. Human society today faces critical challenges in all realms; to its social and community life, to its economic and environmental life and to its cultural and spiritual life. Human beings are facing community collapse disorder. The BeeArc is community based project which will explore the challenges facing human beings and nature through the prism of the honeybee.

- The £7 million project is composed of three parts.
1. BeeArc: Discovery Centre where the visitor will be taken on a journey of discovery through the cultural, social and economic life of the honeybee whilst reflecting on what human being may learn from the honeybee.
 2. BeeArc: Research Centre - a university of the honeybee, where researchers will explore regenerative and transformative ideas for both human beings, nature including the honeybee.
 3. BeeArc: Hives of Activity – a community regeneration programme where we can reconnect with Making, Meeting and Meaning – with reconnecting with our crafts skills, refresh and renew relationships and explore what it is that makes human life meaningful.

The BeeArc Community Benefit Society intend to build the project in a National Park in North Yorkshire United Kingdom.
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