

SENSITIVE BIRD RECORDS



In 2005 the SOS shared most of its records with the SxBRC. Some records however are not shared with the SxBRC and so are not included in our reports. These records are;

- marked as confidential (regardless of species or time of year);
- breeding season records of 15 Schedule 1 species that breed/could breed in Sussex;
- breeding season/winter roost records of a further three species classed as sensitive in Sussex;

Breeding season records are interpreted as those which occur between 1st March and 31st August, except for Raven, Red Kite and Goshawk for which data has been withheld between 1st January and 31st August. However, we do share records of these species if they are a sea-watch record, i.e. clearly a record of a migrating bird.

The list of species affected is as follows:

Schedule 1 species that breed/could breed in Sussex

Species		Dates of records NOT shared
Bittern	<i>Botaurus stellaris</i>	1st March to 31st August
Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>	1st March to 31st August
Garganey	<i>Anas querquedula</i>	1st March to 31st August
Honey Buzzard	<i>Pernis apivorus</i>	1st March to 31st August
Red Kite	<i>Milvus milvus</i>	1st January to 31st August
Montagu's Harrier	<i>Circus pygargus</i>	1st March to 31st August
Goshawk	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>	1st January to 31st August
Hobby	<i>Falco subbuteo</i>	1st March to 31st August
Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	1st March to 31st August
Spotted Crake	<i>Porzana porzana</i>	1st March to 31st August
Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>	1st March to 31st August
Stone Curlew	<i>Burhinus oedipnemos</i>	1st March to 31st August
Barn Owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>	1st March to 31st August
Savi's Warbler	<i>Locustella luscinioides</i>	1st March to 31st August
Marsh Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus palustris</i>	1st March to 31st August

Other species that are sensitive in Sussex

Species		Dates of records NOT shared
Hen Harrier	<i>Circus cyaneus</i>	Winter roost records of more than three birds
Long-eared Owl	<i>Asio otus</i>	1st March to 31st August and all winter roost data
Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>	1st January to 31st August