

Tanat to Perry Community Wildlife Group Bird Survey 2022

Curlew Lapwing and Other Target Species

New helpers needed, please



The Tanat to Perry Community Wildlife Group has been monitoring local Curlews, Lapwings and other birds since 2018. We are planning on starting the 2022 survey at the end of March. We need more helpers please, so if you have some time to spend monitoring the iconic birds in our area, we would be very pleased to hear from you.

The main target species are Lapwing and Curlew. If you can recognise these two birds (and preferably their calls), you can make an important contribution.

The survey area extends from Oswestry in the north to Kinnerley in the south, and eastward from the Welsh border to Ruyton-XI-Towns: from the Tanat to the Perry. A map is attached.

The area is divided into squares, each of 2x2 kilometres. Participants take on one of these survey squares and visit three times, on dates to suit you around 1st April, 1st May and 15th June, about half a day each visit, so it doesn't take much time. It's easy to do, and participants are provided with simple survey instructions and a map to record sightings on. If possible we'd also like you to record Kestrel, Cuckoo and other target species, but that's an optional extra.

The survey only involves three 3-hour visits between the beginning of April and mid-June, simple instructions and a map to record your observations are provided, and there will be a training session if you want to come. There will be a practical training session, explaining how to go about the survey, and record what you see, on the last weekend in March, if you feel you need it.

Results from previous years, and more about our plans for 2022, will explained at the meeting.

Community Wildlife Group meeting
7.30pm, Wednesday 23rd March
Morda Social Club,
Weston Road, Morda, SY10 9NS
All welcome!!!

You can choose your own square, and do more than one if you want. However, we have to try and get all the squares covered, so it would be appreciated if you'll be a bit flexible, and tell me the rough area that you'd like to do, and I'll choose a square for you

You can find the survey reports from 2020 and previous years, on the relevant part of the Community Wildlife Groups website, www.ShropsCWGs.org.uk



Ours is one of 10 Community Wildlife Groups monitoring Curlews in Shropshire.

If you're interested in helping, or want more information, email Leo Smith (leo@leosmith.org.uk). If you can't come to the meeting, I can brief you by email.