USEFUL LINKS

There is a lot of help available for the beginner and developing wildlife recorder and for anyone wanting to find out more about their local area*.



<u>GiGL</u> are the capital's Local Environmental Record Centre, <u>contact us</u> for information about your local area, help with recording or to share your wildlife records

Discover London is GiGL's online data portal where you can investigate dynamic maps of our green city

<u>GiGL's YouTube channel</u> has free training resources and other information about GiGL and the work we do

London Wildlife Trust is the capital's wildlife trust and provides information and volunteering opportunities across London

The **Biological Recording Company** provides free guidance on biological recording and using iRecord

London Natural History Society are the species experts for London and surrounds

London Bat Group collates bat records for the London area and can provide more information on bats throughout London

Butterfly Conservation has local branches around London and they hold public walks and events all year round

London Amphibian & Reptile Group and Kent Reptile & Amphibian Group are both active with volunteers and welcome new members

London Friends of Green Spaces Network is the network for local and Borough wide Friends of groups and a great source of information

Investigate the work of **Zoological Society**

Discover how to record wildlife in your local urban environment with the Natural History Museum's **Nature Recording Hub**

of London in London and across the UK

South East Rivers Trust provides volunteering options throughout the south east

*These links are intended as a starting point for anyone wishing to get involved with nature and recording, it is not an exhaustive or exclusive list.





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Wildlife Recording Resources

There are lots of options available to anyone wanting to record nature and ensure that data is available for use.

<u>GiGL</u> has an online recording form and recording spreadsheet for sharing records.

<u>London Wildlife Trust</u> coordinate a series of online recording forms for wildlife across London. They are hosted on the GiGL website.

<u>iRecord</u> is a website for sharing wildlife observations (biological records), including associated photos. Verified records are shared with National Recording Schemes and the NBN Atlas. Local Environmental Record Centres have full access and can download all records for their area.

<u>iNaturalist</u> is an alternative recording website which uses crowdsource identifications to confirm sightings. Records which have reached 'Research Grade' (the ID has been agreed on by 3 individuals) are uploaded to iRecord.

Many bird recorders use **<u>BirdTrack</u>** or <u>eBird</u> as a way to store and manage their records.

<u>People's Trust for Endangered Species</u> run a series of surveys which are open to volunteers.

The following organisations act on a national and international scale and are included here for information.

<u>NBN Atlas</u> is the UK's largest repository of biological records and allows records to be shared, analysed and used for research. Many organisations and recording schemes share records with the Atlas.

<u>**Global Biodiversity Information Facility</u>** GBIF is an international network and data infrastructure funded by the world's governments and aimed at providing anyone, anywhere, open access to data about all types of life on Earth.</u>

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