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## Lincolnshire Bird Club AGM

The Golf Hotel, The Broadway, Woodhall Spa LN10 6SG

at 7.30pm on Tuesday March 22<sup>nd</sup> for a talk with

**Phil Espin and Phil Hyde**

Chair of Lincolnshire Bird Club, County Recorder and Co-authors of Birds of Lincolnshire who will be talking on

**"The new Birds of Lincolnshire and trials and tribulations in data recording"**

The talk is FREE to everyone

Download Members invite at [https://www.lincsbirdclub.co.uk/site/images/newsletter/AGMnotice\\_2022.pdf](https://www.lincsbirdclub.co.uk/site/images/newsletter/AGMnotice_2022.pdf)

## LBC Zoom Meeting (Tues 8<sup>th</sup> March)

Kev Wilson is a well known Lincs birder, with two claims to fame. First he has been warden at Gibraltar Point Bird Observatory and NNR for over 30 years working for the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust. In that capacity he has overseen a massive transformation of Gibraltar Point habitats and bird recording, consolidating Gib's position as Lincs number one site for bird migration. Second he has the second biggest Lincolnshire list in history, after Graham Catley. We are delighted Kev has agreed to give up his evening to talk to us at our monthly Zoom meeting. Why not come along and hear what he has to say and if you wish, take up the opportunity to raise any questions you have been burning to ask about what goes on at Gib. Hopefully he will be mentioning plans to erect Lincolnshire's first MOTUS receiver at Gib, with cash support from LBC, going some way to filling the gap in the network between Spurn in East Yorks and Holme, Norfolk. To join the meeting click on the link below anytime from 7.20 next Tuesday 8th March. Join Zoom Meeting at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88504660538?pwd=NEFWS0tlQ0QvSmhiTGhqREFMYWg2UT09>

## Is surge in coastal caravan sites depleting Lincolnshire's birdlife?

by Barry Hancock

THE natural environment along the Lincolnshire coast is recognised to be of crucial national and global importance for numerous birds and other wild creatures.

Yet this highly sensitive habitat is inundated with caravan sites.

Within East Lindsey, which stretches from Tetney Marshes in the north to Friskney in the south, there are more than 34,000 statics - most in or near Skegness and Mablethorpe.

This is the highest concentration in Europe - and the number seems to increase almost by the month.

The threats posed by this tourism development to habitats and is incalculable. It should be of the highest concern to planners. But does it even figure on their radar?

As a regular scrutineer of the planning applications submitted to East Lindsey District Council, I am concerned about the increasing amount of applications submitted for static caravan parks particularly those to be located on or near the coast.

Just in a single week last year - November 29 to December 6 - there were three applications for a total of 172 static caravans.

If these applications are approved by planners, then we will both lose extensive grassfield habitat and hugely increase our human population for those 10 months of the year when the 'vans are occupied.

Since that time there have been no fewer than nine further applications for static caravan parks, glamping pods, caravan and camping sites.

Two are in Wainfleet and others at Burgh Le Marsh, Tetney, Thorpe, Roman Bank Skegness, Little Steeping and Mablethorpe.



Here are the issues:

### **Habitat loss and degradation**

For regular birders visiting the east coast north of Gibraltar Point the loss of grass fields to caravan sites is noticeable to say the least.

Sites where we used to see endangered birds like curlew and lapwing are gone.

### **Recreational disturbance and visitor pressures**

The impact of a growing tourism industry and considerable potential for increased recreational disturbance is a growing concern.

This issue has been highlighted during the pandemic; a period where we have seen an increase in the number of s.73 planning applications (for permitted development rights) and s106 applications for 'pop-up' campsites, extensions to existing campsites and applications to extend trading months, in 2020 and particularly 2021.

Most of our visitors are not overly interested in the environment of, for instance, Gibraltar Point NNR - they just want somewhere to relax, enjoy the sunshine and walk their dog.

That's fair enough, everyone needs a holiday and the natural environment plays an important part in peoples' wellbeing, but at what cost to our environment?

The beaches are important habitats because of their biodiversity importance, so it is not appropriate to include them in a 'public recreational open space' bracket.

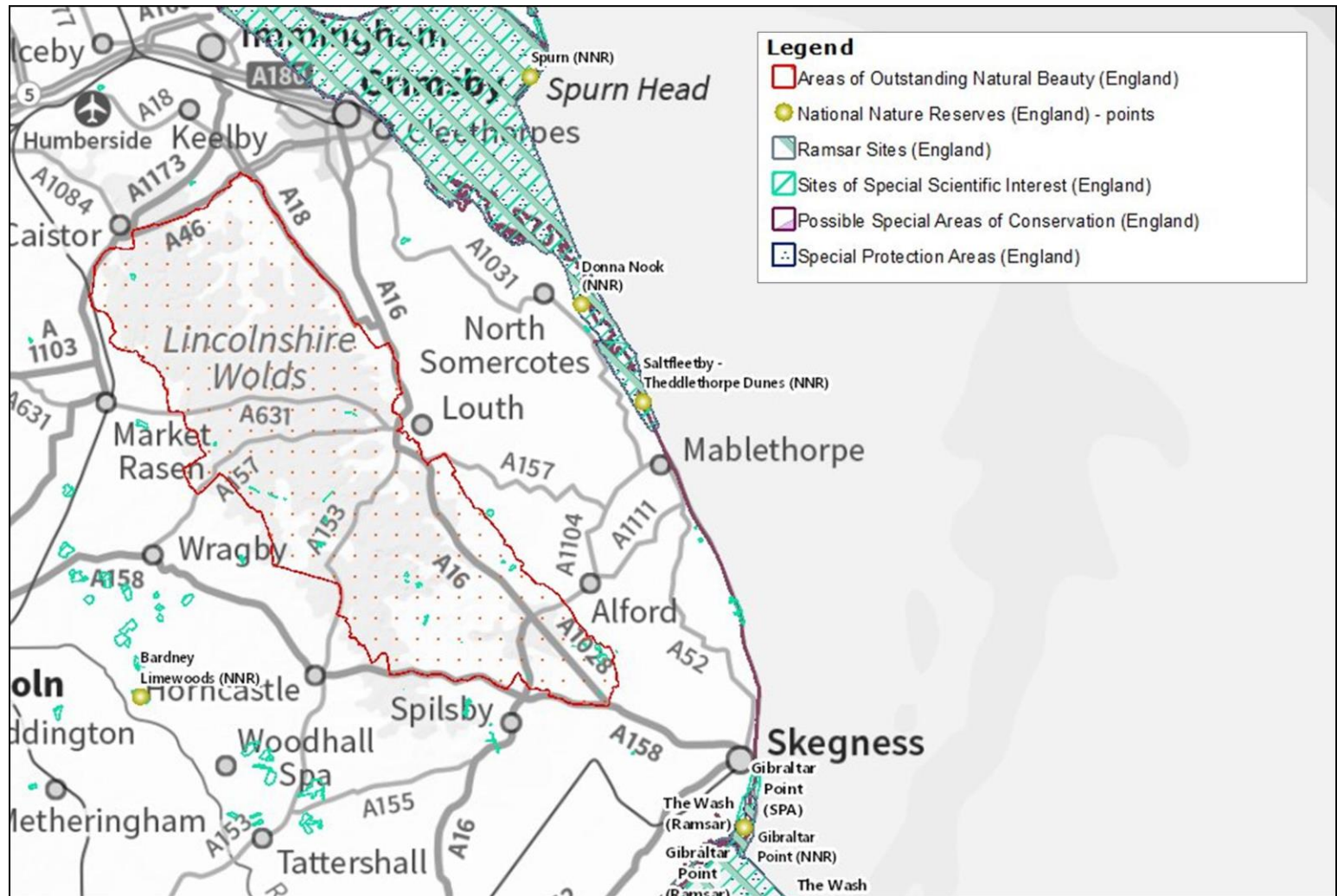
And whilst we do not wish to stop people from visiting these areas, it is important to note that any public access to the beaches should be sustainable and not to the detriment of the species and habitats present in the area.



The potential impacts of recreational disturbance on wildlife are well documented.



So it's not just that we lose land it is also the increase in the numbers of people to the area and they will probably bring with them their dogs, and this all adds up to increased pressure on our fragile coastal habitat.



**A map showing the location of RAMSAR, SSSI's, SPA 's and SAC's in Lincolnshire (© Magic Maps)**

The UK already has the least biodiversity of all the richer nations of the world and that is mainly due to loss of habitat.

Each time we fill a field with static caravans we don't just lose the whole ecological structure of biodiversity but most importantly the occupants of the holiday homes spend their time exploring our countryside and coastline with their dogs.

A single dog walked regularly on the same route will stop birds breeding. All this is in addition to the extra pressure an influx of people puts on our utilities. All that extra sewage, some of it must end up in the sea at times.

It is also alarming that there is no strategic mitigation plan for recreational impacts on internationally designated sites for this area (known as a Recreational Avoidance and Mitigation Strategy (RAMS)).

As a district with numerous wildlife-rich sites, the needs of which require careful recreational management, a RAMS is essential.

King's Lynn and North West Norfolk Borough Council has one, and is currently working with North Norfolk to update this to create a combined county-wide Green Infrastructure and Recreational Avoidance Mitigation Strategy.

I wrote to ELDC planning department giving my environmental reasons for them to pause further static caravans taking over our coastline countryside, and they replied saying they intended to continue allowing planning applications so long as it was part of their Local Plan.

On page 92 of the Local Plan, the council states that it supports development that adds to the tourism and employment opportunities on the coast, but it will “seek to limit the negative environmental impacts resulting from this type of development”.

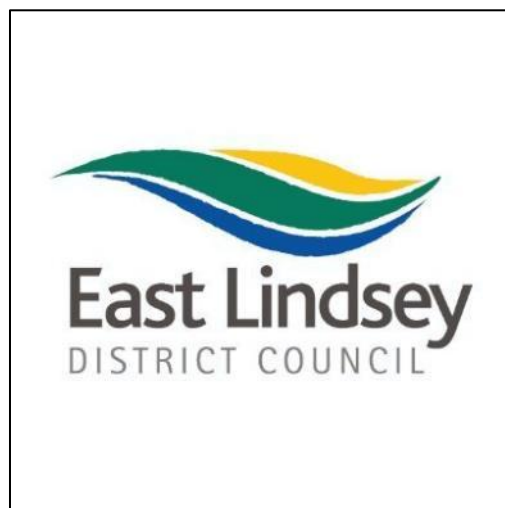
On that basis – and as a matter of urgency – the authority needs to fulfil its responsibilities to ensure that the environment and biodiversity do not suffer any more than has already happened.

Please find the time to contact ELDC and tell them what you think.

Some contact numbers;

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## **Eastern England Curlew headstarting project and a Lincolnshire sighting**

Headstarted Curlew were released in Eastern England in 2021 as part of a joint project between Natural England, the RAF/MoD, Pensthorpe, BTO and WWT. Eggs collected from airfields were incubated at Pensthorpe and the chicks reared there before release. All birds are ringed and colour-marked prior to release, and a sample has been tagged with either GPS or radio tags.

To monitor the behaviour and movements of headstarted Curlew after their release, the project depends on members of the public to report sightings of these birds. Birds are marked according to the following scheme:

Left above = Yellow flag engraved (00), Orange

Left below = -

Right above = Yellow

Right below = metal

On 14th January 2022, Nige Lound saw one of these colour-ringed (CR) Curlews at Middlemarsh Farm, near Skegness, Lincs. It was one of 8 Curlew on site and showed a yellow flag engraved with 3E in black over an orange ring on its left tibia. Right tibia carried a yellow ring above and the right tarsus a metal ring. He noted that this bird always stayed away from the other 7 Curlew on site and wondered if the headstarted birds are going to be loners or anti-social? He reported the sighting to Samantha Franks, one of the research team at the BTO who gave the following history of this bird:

3E is a head-started male bird released 20 July 2021 at Ken Hill, Norfolk. It was released with a glue-mounted radio tag to enable its progress to be tracked (the aerial was visible in one of Nige's photos). There should be two aerials, one horizontal sticking out over the tail feathers, the other vertical up from the centre of the back. The team are also interested in the behaviour of these birds relative to the other birds in the flock. It has been observed that when the headstarted birds are with other Curlew, they often seem to be 'doing their own thing' on the edge of the flock - loosely associated with the other birds, but often doing something slightly different.

On 18<sup>th</sup> January, Nige saw the bird again when there were 12 Curlew on-site, all distant and one with a yellow flag and rings. Although he was unable to read the flag, he thought that it was the same bird. Again, it proved to be a bit of a loner, never in with the main group.

Samantha would very much welcome any photos of this or any other birds from this project which may be seen in the county (or elsewhere for that matter!) with or without other Curlews. This is the second headstarted bird that they know of that has moved from the east shore to the west shore of the Wash - the other stayed on the saltmarsh just off Frampton. For details on how to report any sightings full details can be found at <http://bit.ly/HS-curlew>.



Headstarted Curlew, Middlemarsh Farm, 14th January 2022 (photograph Nige Lound)



## Hide Returns at Manby



Saltfleetby farmer Martin Chapman who created Manby Flashes over 20 years ago, a popular local birding site near Louth, has recently re-erected the hide there. The hide was taken down a couple of years ago to prevent an increasing spiral of vandalism. The hide now has a padlock on the door and keys have been distributed to 10 local birders who regularly bird the site. In order to recognise Martin's contribution to local conservation all the key holders recently signed a copy of *Birds of Lincolnshire* and presented it to Martin. The photo below shows from left to right: John Clarkson, Phil Hyde and Phil Espin (co-authors of the book), Martin Chapman and Louth birders Kevin Shone and Roget Labbett.

Following discussions Martin has agreed that the bird club can distribute keys to our members who are interested. The process we are setting up is that keys can be ordered from the website for a small charge paid by Paypal and will be dispatched by post by LBC sales officer Bill Sterling. We need to get an idea of how many keys we should get cut so if you would like a key could you in the first instance email [sales@lincsbirdclub.co.uk](mailto:sales@lincsbirdclub.co.uk) to express interest. When we have the website and keys ready we'll notify you when you can place an order.

It is important to note that we cannot guarantee that the hide will be available for ever. If more vandalism occurs and the hide is badly damaged Martin will likely remove it again. It could take some years for it to be replaced. In those circumstances there will be no refunds.



## Lincolnshire Bird News - February 2022

Compiled by Chris Grimshaw

This Lincs Latest Bird News is available on the LBC Website and is updated on a regular basis, to provide a convenient news service to scarce & rare birds found within Lincolnshire. This is a free service and members wishing to get more up to the minute information should check commercial news services. The Sightings page and @Lincsbirding Twitter feed are intended to alert birders to rare (**RED**) and scarcer (**BLUE**) species that they might be interested in seeing within the County.

If your sightings are missing from the list, then please let us know by emailing [recorder\\_south@lincsbirdclub.co.uk](mailto:recorder_south@lincsbirdclub.co.uk). Records of more common species are still very important and should be submitted to the county Recorder (again, send all records to [recorder\\_south@lincsbirdclub.co.uk](mailto:recorder_south@lincsbirdclub.co.uk)) or submitted online using the **BTO BirdTrack** or **eBird Apps**. ALL records will then be added to the Lincolnshire Bird Club data-base, to be included in the Annual Reports. **PLEASE NOTE** that none of these reports have been verified or checked by the Lincolnshire Bird Club Records Committee. Please note that the close off date for records for the 2019 Lincs Bird Report is 1st May 2020, after this we cannot guarantee inclusion.

### Lincolnshire Latest Bird News – February 2022

28/02/2022

**Castle Bytham**

**3 Common Crane (east)**

**Deeping St James**

Goosander (male)

**Frampton Marsh**

**American Wigeon**



The American Wigeon showing exceptionally well by the car-park at Frampton Marsh - Image © Paul Sullivan



**Fulletby**

Rough-legged Buzzard

**East Halton**

White-tailed Lapwing

**Saltfleetby**

3 Water Pipit

**Whisby**

Great White Egret, Little Egret

27/02/2022

**Cleethorpes CP**

Goosander

**Donna Nook**

4 Red Kite

**Frampton Marsh**

Long-tailed Duck, Spoonbill, Spotted Redshank, 3 Little Stint, American Wigeon

**Gibraltar Point**

2 Woodlark (north Building area)

**East Halton**

White-tailed Lapwing

**Rimac**

Great Northern Diver



The American Wigeon that was at Frampton Marsh yester and again today Sunday - Image © Roy Harvey

**26/02/2022**

**Doddington Park**

2 Bullfinch, Buzzard, 6 Lesser Redpoll, 3 Siskin

**Donna Nook**

Twite

**Frampton Marsh**

Dunlin, Peregrine Falcon, 1500 Brent Geese, 2 Hen Harrier, 2 Marsh Harrier, Red Knot, 1500 Lapwing, Pintail, Pochard, 10000 Golden Plover, Spotted Redshank, 250 Shoveler, Spoonbill, Little Stint, 33 Whooper Swan, 1500 Teal, American Wigeon, 5000 Eurasian Wigeon

**Messingham**

Cattle Egret

**25/02/2022**

**Frampton Marsh**

Pale-bellied Brent Goose, Hen Harrier (m), Red Kite, Spotted Redshank, Little Stint, Stonechat, Cetti's Warbler



Pale-bellied Brent Goose at Frampton Marsh - Image © Josh Fusiara

**Marton**



Red Kite, Merlin, 500 Golden Plover, 300 Starling

Swanholme Lakes

2 Goosander, 3 Great Crested Grebe, Siskin, 2 Great Spotted Woodpecker

Whisby

Marsh Harrier, 2 Oystercatcher, Water Rail, Siskin, Whooper Swan

24/12/2022

Baston & Langtoft Pit

Kittiwake (briefly)

Gibraltar Point

Snow Bunting (over)

Halton Marsh

White-tailed Lapwing

23/02/2022

Chapel Six Marshes

Glossy Ibis



No apologies for another splendid photo of the Chapel Glissy Ibis Image © Russell Hayes

Far Ings

Peregrine Falcon, Marsh Harrier, Sparrowhawk

Frampton Marsh

Peregrine Falcon, Merlin, Spotted Redshank, Stonechat, 10000 Starling, 3 Little Stint

**Halton Marsh**

White-tailed Lapwing

**Mablethorpe**

3 Snow Bunting, Purple Sandpiper

**Messingham**

Cattle Egret

**22/02/2022**

**Chapel Six Marshes**

Glossy Ibis



A stunning capture of the Glossy Ibis just north of Chapel Six Marshes - Image © Mark Johnson

**Donna Nook**

2 Peregrine Falcon, Marsh Harrier, 54 Linnet, 23 Whooper Swan, 125 Teal, 3 Woodcock

**Frampton Marsh**

Peregrine Falcon, Marsh Harrier, 5000 Lapwing, Merlin Barn Owl, 10000 Golden Plover, Little Stint

**Gibraltar Point**

Red-necked Grebe

**Mablethorpe**

3 Snow Bunting





One of 3 Snow Bunting on the Promenade in Mablethorpe - Image © Paul Moxdx

**21/02/2022**

**Ancaster**

**20 Corn Bunting**

**Chapel Six Marshes**

**Gloosy Ibis**



Glossy Ibis on Chapel Six Mashas - Image © Garry Wright

**Deeping Lakes**

Long-eared Owl

**Halton Marsh**

White-tailed Lapwing

**Swanholme Lakes**

Buzzard, 2 Goosander, Great-black Backed Gull, Great Spotted Woodpecker

**RAF Wainfleet**

3 Pale-bellied Brent Goose, Red-breasted Goose, Hen Harrier (m)

**Whisby**

Bittern, Great White Egret, Little Egret, 2 Water Rail, Shoveler, 20 Siskin, 2 Cetti's Warbler, Woodcock

**20/02/2022**

**East Halton**

White-tailed Lapwing

**Marston**

28 Gadwall, Lapwing, Grey Partridge, 2 Water Rail, Snipe, 120 Teal, 2 Stonechat

**Saltfleetby**

600 Pink-footed Goose, 2 Hen Harrier, Marsh Harrier, Barn Owl, 2 Water Rail, Sparrowhawk, Cetti's Warbler

**19/02/2022**



**Aubourn**

Marsh Harrier

**Anderby Marsh**

Glossy Ibis

**Baston Fen**

Cattle Egret

**Cleethorpes**

150 Bar-tailed Godwit, Cetti's Warbler

**Doddington Park**

10 Lesser Redpoll, 3 Siskin

**Frampton Marsh**

Barn Owl, 10000 Golden Plover, 2 Spotted Redshank, 2 Little Stint, 2 Stonechat

**Gibraltar Point**

35 Snow Bunting, Red-breasted Goose, Red-necked Grebe (s), Slavonian Grebe, Glossy Ibis, Velvet Scoter

**Hykeham**

Mediterranean Gull

**Mablethorpe**

4 Red-throated Diver, Purple Sandpiper, 15 Common Scoter

**Norton Disney**

Great White Egret

**Tongue End**

Cattle Egret

**Trent Port**

3 Bullfinch, 6 Buzzard, 2 Curlew, Kingfisher, 24 Teal, Treecreeper, 39 Wigeon

**Witham End**

Great Northern Diver, Red-breasted Merganser

**18/02/2022**

**Deeping Lakes**

Bittern, 2 Bewick's Swan, Whooper Swan

**Doddington Park**

3 Lesser Redpoll, 4 Siskin

**Gibraltar Point**

Red-throated Diver, Eider, 2 Fulmar, Gannet, 2 Goosander, Red-breasted Merganser

**Halton Marsh**

White-tailed Lapwing

**17/02/2022**

**Frampton Marsh**

Bittern

**Gibraltar Point**

Slavonian Grebe, Red-breasted Goose

**Hartsholme Park**

Goosander

**Howden's Pullover**

Little Egret, 100 Curlew

**Huttoft Pit**

Whooper Swan





The only Whooper Swan which never came close on Huttoft Pit this afternoon - Image © Chris Grimshaw

### Mablethorpe

40 Sanderling, Purple Sandpiper AM but not PM, 5 Velvet Scoter AM but not PM



A sanderling on the beach at a blustery Mablethorpe - Image © Chris Grimshaw

### Millennium Green

13 Goldeneye, Goosander, Siskin, 21 Pochard

### Paradise

2 Curlew, 50 Redshank, 120 Shoveler, 150 Teal

16/02/2022



**Frampton Marsh**

Hen Harrier, Grey Plover, Little Stint

**Gibraltar Point**

Red-breasted Goose

**Hartsholme Park**

11 Grey Heron

**Mablethorpe**

Purple Sandpiper, 120 Common Scoter, 10 Velvet Scoter

**Sandilands**

Stonechat

**15/02/2022**

**Cleethorpes**

Goosander, Egyptian Goose

**Frampton Marsh**

Spotted Redshank, Little Stint

**Gibraltar Point**

Great Northern Diver, Red-breasted Goose

**Halton Marsh**

White-tailed Lapwing

**Messingham**

Cattle Egret

**14/02/2022**

**Boultham Mere**

5 Bullfinch, 36 Coot, 5 Little Egret, Kingfisher, 2 Pochard, 4 Water Rail, 30 Lesser Redpoll, 2 Siskin, 2 Sparrowhawk, Cetti's

Warbler

**Halton Marsh**

White-tailed Lapwing

**Gibraltar Point**

Black-throated Diver, Red-breasted Goose

**Mablethorpe**

Purple Sandpiper

**13/02/202**

**Alkborough Flats**

Spoonbill

**Bradley Woods, Grimsby**

150 Brambling

**Far Ings**

Bittern

**Frampton Marsh**

2 Brambling, 2 Peregrine Falcon, Marsh Harrier, 2 Spotted Redshank, Stonechat, 15000 Golden Plover

**Gibraltar Point**

Great Northern Diver (sea), Red-breasted Goose, Red-necked Grebe (sea)

**Hartsholme Park**

Large flock of Siskin

**Messingham**

Cattle Egret

**Trent Port**

9 Bullfinch, 2 Gadwall, Kingfisher, Barn Owl, Oystercatcher, 2 Shelduck, 6 Snipe, 12 Teal, Grey Wagtail

**12/02/2022**

**Doddington Park**

5 Lesser Redpoll, 2 Siskin

**Frampton Marsh**

Greenshank, Marsh Harrier, **Hen Harrier (m)**, **Merlin**, **Barn Owl**, Pintail, c10000 Golden Plover, **2 Spotted Redshank**, **Little Stint**, **Stonechat**, **Bearded Tit**  
**Gibraltar Point**  
**18 Snow Bunting**, 574 Brent Goose, **Red-breasted Goose**  
**Halton Marsh**  
**White-tailed Lapwing**

**11/02/2022**

**Baston & Langtoft Pits**

**Bewick's Swan**

**Deeping Lakes**

**Long-eared Owl**

**Gibraltar Point**

**20 Snow Bunting (Millennium Ridge)**, Barnacle Goose, Pink-footed Goose, **Red-breasted Goose**, 75 Sanderling, Turnstone



The Red-breasted Goose showing well around lunchtime - Image © Chris Grimshaw

**Immingham**

Green Sandpiper

**Langtoft**

**Ring-necked Duck**

**Mablethorpe**

Red-throated Diver, **Long-tailed Duck**, 120 Pink-footed Goose, 70 Common Scoter, **4 Velvet Scoter**

**Messingham**

Great White Egret, **Mediterranean Gull**, **3 Red-crested Pochard**



**10/02/2022**

**Baston & Langtoft Pits**

Bewick's Swan

**Gibraltar Point**

2 Barnacle Goose, Red-breasted Goose (Tennyson Sands), 2 Hen Harrier, Merlin, 2 Water Pipit, 5 Song Thrush

**East Halton**

White-tailed Lapwing

**Messingham SQ**

Cattle Egret

**09/02/2022**

**Donna Nook**

50 Twite

**East Halton Skitter**

White-tailed Lapwing

**Frampton Marsh**

6 Avocet, Peregrine Falcon, Hen Harrier (f), 4 Marsh Harrier, 3 Merlin, Rock Pipit, 19 Ruff, Pintail, Ringed Plover, 2 Spotted

Redshank, Stonechat

**Langtoft**

Ring-necked Gull

**Mablethorpe**

2 Long-tailed Duck, Purple Sandpiper,



The long staying Purple Sandpiper at the Outfall Mablethorpe - Image © Andrew Chick

**Marton**

Merlin

**Tongue End**

Cattle Egret

**Riseholme**

14 Common Crane (over)

**08/02/2022**

**Baston Fen**

Cattle Egret

**Deeping Lakes**

2 Bewick's Swan

**Donna Nook**

57 Twite

**Frampton Marsh**

Hen Harrier, Short-eared Owl, Spotted Redshank, Little Stint

**Freiston Shore**

5000 Brent Goose, 4 Pale-bellied Brent Goose

**Millennium Green**

5 Bullfinch, Chiffchaff, 2 Goldcrest, 22 Goldeneye, 6 Goosander, 28 Greenfinch, 2 Oystercatcher, Water Rail, 2 Lesser Redpoll, 22 Siskin, Green Woodpecker

**Nocton Fen**

4 Bewick's Swan, 85 Mute Swan, 60 Whooper Swan

**Tongue End**

Cattle Egret

**East Halton Skitter**

250 Dunlin, Marsh Harrier, Kestrel, 1500 Lapwing, White-tailed Lapwing, 2 Barn Owl, Short-eared Owl, Oystercatcher, Pintail, 2 Water Pipit, 4 Ruff, Treecreeper

**Witham Mouth**

Eider, Red-breasted Merganser

**07/02/2022**

**Boultham Park**

Buzzard, Goldcrest, 2 Coal Tit, 12 Siskin, Song Thrush

**Doddington Park**

5 Lesser Redpoll, 2 Siskin, 2 Coal Tit



A garden Lesser Redpoll showing well in the early morning sunshine - Image © Chris Grimshaw



**Frampton Marsh**

Great White Egret, **Peregrine Falcon**, **Hen Harrier**, Marsh Harrier, 8500+ Lapwing, **Merlin**, 15000+ Golden Plover, Spotted Redshank, Snipe, Sparrowhawk, **Stonechat**, 5000+ Teal, 1000+ Wigeon

**Grantham**

Kingfisher, Red Kite, Sparrowhawk

**06/02/2022**

**Cress Marsh, Stallingborough**

Buzzard, 3 Great Black-backed Gull, 22 Lapwing, 3 Redshank, Rock Pipit, Common Sandpiper

**Doddington Park**

2 Bullfinch, 6 Lesser Redpoll, 2 Siskin

**Frampton Marsh**

Fieldfare, Goldcrest, **Hen Harrier (m)**, Marsh Harrier, Red Knot, **48 Red-legged Partridge**, **Water Rail**, **Spotted Redshank**, **Stonechat**

**Halton Marsh**

**White-tailed Lapwing**

**Messingham**

**Cattle Egret**

**Tongue End**

**Cattle Egret**

**Trent Port**

13 Bullfinch, 3 Brambling, Great White Egret, Jay, **Kingfisher**, Lesser Redpoll, 2 Redshank, 3 Snipe, 15 Teal, 100 Wigeon

**05/02/2022**

**River Sleä**

**Mandarin**, **Water Rail**



A stunning shot of a Mandarin duck on the River Sleä - Image © Dave Newman

**Frampton Marsh**

Eider, Peregrine Falcon, Marsh Harrier, Hen Harrier, (m), 2 Rock Pipit, Ringed Plover, Spotted Redshank, Little Stint, Stonechat, 78 Whooper Swan

**Halton Marsh**

Cattle Egret, White-tailed Lapwing

**Hartsholme Park**

Tawny Owl, 2 Nuthatch, 70 Siskin

**04/02/2021**

**Deeping Lakes**

3 Long-eared Owl

**Doddington Park**

2 Bullfinch, 3 Lesser Redpoll, 4 Siskin

**Halton Marsh**

White-tailed Lapwing, 3 Short-eared Owl

**Langtoft**

Ring-necked Duck

**Messingham**

Cattle Egret

**Scopwick**

Black Redstart

**03/02/2022**

**Gibraltar Point**

Lapland Bunting, Great Northern Diver, Goosander, Red-breasted Merganser, Short-eared Owl, Water Pipit, Velvet Scoter

**Hartsholme Park/Swanholme Lakes**

2 Little Egret, 2 Goosander, 9 Grey Heron, 4 Jay, Tawny Owl, 36 Shoveler, 100 Siskin, Treecreeper, 2 Great Spotted Woodpecker



One of the Jays that were prominent in Hartsholme Park today - Image © Chris Cullen



**Messingham**

Great White Egret, 7 Lesser Redpoll, 39 Siskin, 9 Shelduck, 5 Cetti's Warbler

**Whisby**

Bittern

**02/02/2022**

**Crook Bank**

18 Snow Bunting 2 Velvet Scoter

**Deeping**

Long-eared Owl

**Doddington Park**

3 Lesser Redpoll, 2 Siskin

**Frampton Marsh**

Spotted Redshank, Little Stint

**Gibraltar Point**

Lapland Bunting, Spotted Redshank

**East Halton**

White-tailed Lapwing

**Tongue End**

Cattle Egret

**01/02/2022**

**Gibraltar Point**

Lapland Bunting, 8 Snow Bunting, Red-breasted Gull, 2 Velvet Scoter

**East Halton**

White-tailed Lapwing

**Hartsholme Park**

200 Black-headed Gull, 10 Grey Heron, Tawny Owl, 100 Siskin 46 Shoveler, Great Spotted Woodpecker

**Mablethorpe**

Long-tailed Duck, Purple Sandpiper, 7 Velvet Scoter

**Swanholme Lakes**

2 Little Egret, 2 Goosander, 2 Jay

## Contact Information & Useful Lincs Websites

### Lincs Bird Club Website

Website: <http://www.lincsbirdclub.co.uk>

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BTO - <https://www.bto.org>

RSPB - <https://www.rspb.org.uk/>

Birdguides - <https://www.birdguides.com/>

Rarebird Alert - <https://www.rarebirdalert.co.uk/>

### Recording

BTO Birdtrack - <https://app.bto.org/birdtrack/login/login.jsp>

eBird - <https://ebird.org/home>

iRecord - <https://www.brc.ac.uk/irecord/>

Nature Lister - <http://www.naturelister.co.uk>

Wildlife Recorder - <https://www.wildlife.co.uk>

### Lincolnshire Naturalists' Union Website

<http://lnu.org/>

LNU e-mail: [info@lnu.org](mailto:info@lnu.org)

**Love Lincs Plants** <https://www.lincstrust.org.uk/what-we-do/love-lincs-plants>  
Love Lincs Plants Twitter feed  
[@LoveLincsPlants](#)

### Sir Joseph Banks Society

<http://www.joseph-banks.org.uk>

[enquiries@joseph-banks.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@joseph-banks.org.uk)

### Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust

<http://www.lincstrust.org.uk/>

### Lincolnshire Bat Group website

<http://www.lincsbatgroup.co.uk/>

### Butterfly Conservation Lincolnshire Branch

<http://butterfly-conservation.org/300/lincolnshire-branch.html>

### FIGHTING WILDLIFE CRIME

Rural Crime Officer

Pc 160 Nick Willey

Force Wildlife, Rural Crime Officer

Force Dog Training Establishment

Lincolnshire Showground.

Grange-De-Lings.

Lincoln

[nicholas.willey@lincs.pnn.police.uk](mailto:nicholas.willey@lincs.pnn.police.uk)

OFFICE: 01522-731897

MOBILE :07768-501895

PAGER : 07654-330877

Rural Crime News - <https://www.lincs.police.uk/news-campaigns/news/2019/rural-crime-news/>

### STAYING SAFE

EasyTide

<http://easytide.ukho.gov.uk/EasyTide/EasyTide/index.aspx>

Met Office Severe Weather E-mail Service

<http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/about-us/guide-to-emails>

Environment Agency Flood Information/Floodline

<http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/default.aspx>

Lyme Disease

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/lyme-disease/>

### SPECIES IDENTIFICATION AND RECORDING

#### Botany

Botanical Group in South Lincs

Contact: Sarah Lambert - [sarah.lambert7@ntlworld.com](mailto:sarah.lambert7@ntlworld.com)

Also see: <http://bsbi.org/south-lincolnshire-v-c-53>

LNU Sawflies, Bees, Wasps and Ants Recorder

Dr. David Sheppard - [d.a.sheppard@btinternet.com](mailto:d.a.sheppard@btinternet.com)

#### Lincolnshire Mammals

Chris Manning, [Chris.LincsDeer@gmail.com](mailto:Chris.LincsDeer@gmail.com)

#### Mammal Atlas

You can download and print off a hard copy or view it online.

<http://www.glnp.org.uk/our-publications/biodiversity/projects-and-reports.php>

#### Lincs Amphibian and Reptile Group

The Lincolnshire ARG (Amphibian & Reptile Group)

Ashley Butterfield - [learningoutdoors@btinternet.com](mailto:learningoutdoors@btinternet.com)

#### Local Bat Helpline

Grounded bats, bat problems, advice and information.

Contact Annette and Colin Faulkner on

01775 766286 or e-mail: [annettefaulkner@btinternet.com](mailto:annettefaulkner@btinternet.com)

Confidential Bat Records

You may send confidential bat records direct to Annette

Faulkner on: [annettefaulkner@btinternet.com](mailto:annettefaulkner@btinternet.com)

### USEFUL WILDLIFE CONTACTS

#### Greater Lincolnshire Nature Partnership

<http://www.glnp.org.uk/>

Contact: [charlie.barnes@glnp.org.uk](mailto:charlie.barnes@glnp.org.uk)

or for more general [queries:info@glnp.org.uk](mailto:queries:info@glnp.org.uk)

#### Natural England

<http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/>

#### Lincolnshire Environmental Awards

[www.lincsenvironmentalawards.org.uk](http://www.lincsenvironmentalawards.org.uk)

#### Life on the Verge and Wildflower Meadow Network Project

<http://www.lifeontheverge.org.uk/>





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