

Get Involved



We are always looking for volunteers to help us with our work, whether it is carrying out surveys or engaging with the public there is something to suit everyone.

If you want to more about our work check out our website:

www.wiltshirewaders.com

If you have any further questions or would like to get involved please drop us an email:

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Wiltshire Wader Group



Protecting Waders on Wiltshire's Farmland



What's the Problem

Wiltshire is a county dominated by agriculture; over 85% of the land in the county is dedicated to some form of farming. Consequently it forms the county's most important habitat.

Changes in agricultural practices mean that farmland bird numbers have almost halved since 1970. Farmland waders have declined significantly but are often overlooked.

Farmland Wader Species



Curlew

Declined by almost half
Internationally threatened



Lapwing

Number down by 60%
Internationally threatened



Snipe

One third of breeding
range lost



Redshank

44% of breeding birds
have gone in 25 years

What we do

Wiltshire Wader Group works hard to engage with a range of stakeholders. These include: landowners, conservation organisations and most importantly, the general public.

Landowners hold the key to changing farming practices to help breeding waders across the county.

Conservation Organisations form a hub of knowledge, expertise and resources.

The General Public form a voice that allows the issue to be heard and provide time and energy to help protect wading birds.



Surveys & Monitoring

At this early stage of the project the focus is on undertaking breeding and non-breeding surveys of our target species.

Finding the important sites within the county will enable us to protect remaining populations and help them recover.

