

Appendix 4. Reasonable Avoidance Measures for the Prevention of Distress to Breeding Lapwing

Background

A site visit on 1st June 2023 identified four pairs of lapwing breeding within the site, with females appearing to be sitting on nests in the eastern and western sections of the site within mud scrapes created by plant movement. The status of the egg/ chick development could not be ascertained during the survey, however, as incubation is typically 3-4 weeks and fledging up to 6 weeks, it should be assumed that the nests will be actively used for breeding for up to 10 weeks from the date of survey i.e. 10th August 2023.

Lapwing rear a single clutch per year and it is therefore unlikely that they will be a consideration beyond this date.

Lapwing display variable tolerance to disturbance dependant of the level of perceived threat (of predation). A review of current literature indicates that disturbance may typically occur within 100m of a nest, with a higher level of distress and disturbance likely to occur within 50 m of nest.

Description of works

Works required prior to 10th August 2023 include:

- Installation of Herras type permitter fencing
- Vegetation clearance of trees and woody vegetation

Precautionary measures

Establishment of exclusions zones

- Drawing 0289/EZM identifies proposed exclusion zones, access points and areas for vegetation clearance (see A4.1).
- Exclusions zones at 100m and 50m distance from each active nest will be set out within the site using road pins and barrier tape, under the supervision of an Ecological Clerk of Works (ECOW).

Ecological Supervision

- A suitably qualified ECoW with a background in ornithology will be appointed prior to the works and will attend the Site at least weekly to agree working areas and monitor works. Additional attendance may be required as work progress in to the site to agree working areas and monitor levels of disturbance.
- Prior to the commencement of any work, the ECoW will undertake a visual survey of the site to determine status of lapwing nests and will continually monitor the level of disturbance during the works.
- The ECoW will be authorised to halt works should they consider levels of disturbance to be unacceptable.

- A log will be taken each day.

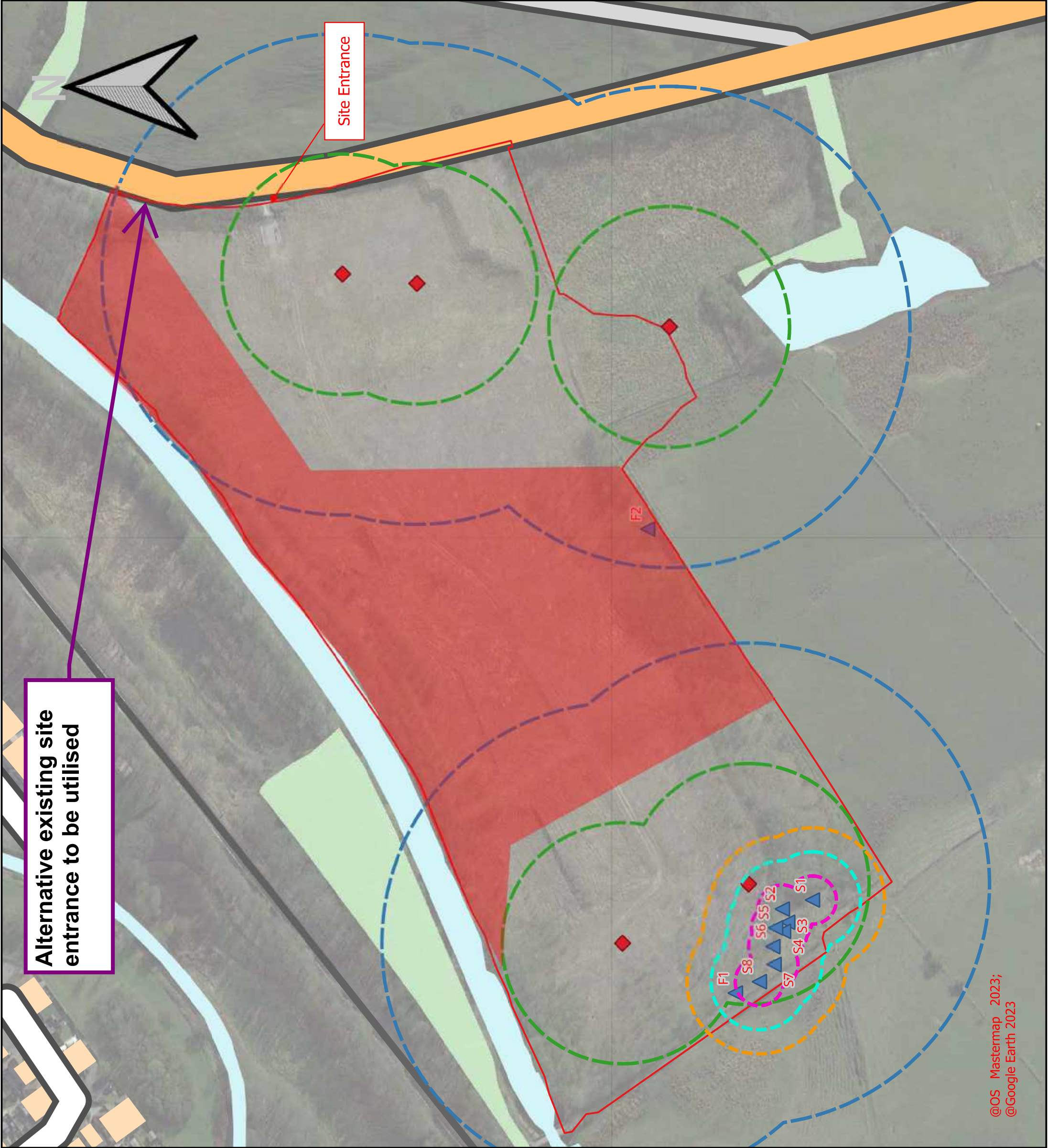
Toolbox Talk and Breeding Bird Protection Plan

- All key site personnel will be briefed via a Toolbox Talk prior to the start of the works. The Toolbox Talk will include relevant detail on Lapwing and general breeding bird ecology/identification, legislation and best working practices.
- The contractor will prepare and implement a Breeding Bird Protection Plan and complete a monitoring form as required.

General Methodology

- An historic access point will be re-opened off Hollingworth Road. The proposed location is approximately 70m from the nearest identified lapwing nest, however it is considered likely to cause a limited increase in levels of disturbance as it is on an already busy road.
- Any necessary perimeter fencing will be installed from outside of the site boundary where there are existing levels of recreational and vehicular disturbance (i.e. from the road side or public right of way). Creation of a secure perimeter fence is recommended to reduce the likelihood of nest disturbance by trespassers.
- There will be no work allowed within the 50m buffer around any active lapwing nest.
- Vegetation clearance may be required within approximately 70m of an active nest. Any work within 100 – 50 m of a nest will be scheduled for the end of vegetation clearance programme and will be continuously monitored for signs of unacceptable levels of disturbance/ distress and will be halted should this be observed.
- Vegetation clearance will be phased to ensure areas furthest away from active nests are managed first, allowing retained vegetation to act as a buffer from the nest sites. Clearance will begin on the canal embankment where the works will be further shielded from the nests due to the topography of the canal embankment.
- Trees will be felled using low noise chainsaws.
- All cut material will be left in situ or moved by hand and piled in a suitable safe location. There will be no mechanical chipping, stump grinding or other plant on site during the active nesting period.
- During the active nesting period all vegetation to be checked for widespread breeding birds by the ECoW and appropriate measures taken.

A4.1 Proposed Working Zones



@OS Mastermap 2023;
@Google Earth 2023

Legend

- Site Boundary
- Badger Survey Observations
- Active Lapwing Nesting
- 100 m Lapwing Exclusion Zone
- 50 m Lapwing Exclusion Zone
- 10 m Badger Exclusion Zone (if required)
- 20 m Badger Exclusion Zone (if required)
- 30 m Badger Exclusion Zone (if required)

0 50 100 m

Exclusion Zone Map

Date	June 2023
Scale	1:1500@A3
Drawing Ref:	0289/EZM



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A4.2 Contractor's Breeding Bird Protection Plan



Breeding Bird Protection Plan

WSH Services Ltd
METHOD STATEMENT FOR THE PROTECTION
OF BREEDING BIRDS DURING SITE
WORKS AT
Hollins Bank
Tree Felling 12/06/23

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Breeding Bird Protection Plan

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Breeding Bird Protection Plan (BBPP) Distribution

Copies of the BBPP are available from:

Site supervisor: N Hardwick

Main contractor: WSH Services Ltd



Part one –General

1.0 Introduction

This Breeding Bird Protection Plan (BBPP) aims to safeguard bird interest during site works and to protect the legal position of our clients WSH Services Ltd .

The breeding bird interest of the site has not been assessed prior to works commencing but is anticipated the site has potential for breeding birds given the works are taking place during the bird breeding season.

The BBPP is intended to assist site management and raise the awareness of all site personnel as to breeding bird signs and behaviour patterns in order to help minimise adverse impacts of site works on breeding birds.

This plan should be used during induction of all site personnel and as a management tool for on-going bird protection.

As a further precaution, and to ensure we are complying with the law, all WSH Services Ltd Managers have available the WSH Services Ltd Advice Note: (GN/18) Birds and WSH Services Ltd Operations (see Annex I) and all contractors will be issued with (TT/37) Toolbox Talk No, 3 Breeding Birds (see Annex II). Both these are available on the R.G Blakey Environmental Management System.

2.0 Aim of the Breeding Bird Protection Plan

To protect birds' nests, eggs, and dependant young during site works.

This aim will be achieved through implementing the following objectives. These objectives are detailed in Part 2- Procedures for Protecting Breeding Birds.

Objectives

Objective 1: All personnel to be aware of legal obligations.



Objective 2: All personnel to be aware of the various species that are likely to be on the site and the habitats and locations in which they may be found.

Objective 3: All personnel to understand the procedure that should be followed in the event of finding a nest.

Objective 4: Appropriate monitoring conducted and recorded.

2.0 Responsibilities

Task	Responsibility
Implementation of the BBPP	Wayne Hargreaves
Monitoring and Review of the BBPP	Wayne Hargreaves
Regular site monitoring for potential nesting birds	Wayne Hargreaves- Site manager countryside partnerships
On-going watching brief for potential nesting birds	All site personnel

4.0 The potential impacts of site works

Impacts on breeding birds are the direct physical effects of habitat removal and proximity of disturbance to nesting birds caused by noise and the presence of workers and machinery.

These operations can negatively influence the breeding cycle by:-

- Abandonment of nest site
- Damage to the nesting site.
- Abandonment of nest building.
- Abandonment of dependent young.
- Damage to feeding areas.

WSH Services Ltd is committed to ensuring that all reasonable steps are taken to protect all breeding birds including those listed under:

- Schedule 1 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended).
- Annex 1 of the EC Birds Directive.
- RSPB red and amber lists of birds of conservation concern.
- UK and Local Biodiversity Action Plan Priority Species <http://www.ndn.org.uk/> and www.ukbap.org.uk.

Red Listed are not necessarily subject to legislative protection but are regarded as of major conservation concern.



5.0 BBPP monitoring and review schedule

Implementation of the BBPP will be regularly monitored, and the BBPP itself regularly reviewed.

Monitoring Monitoring to ensure that Part 2 is satisfactorily in operation.

Weekly

Review Monthly

A complete review of the BBPP and re-issue of the document as necessary.

Part 2-Procedures for protecting breeding birds

1.0 Induction

1.1 Objectives

The WSH Services Ltd Manager will ensure that the following objectives are met by induction of all site personnel.

Objective 1: All personnel to be aware of legal obligations pertaining to breeding birds.

All personnel are responsible for ensuring that no deliberate infringement of legislation occurs. Refer to

- Annex I Birds and WSH Services Ltd operations. (GN/18)
- Annex II Toolbox Talk No. 3 Breeding Birds. (TT/37)

Objective 2: All personnel to be aware of the various species that are likely to be on the site and the site habitats and locations in which they may be found.

All contractors be issued with Toolbox No 3 (TT/37)

Objective 3: All personnel to understand the procedure that should be followed in the event of finding a nest.

All personnel are responsible for reporting any nest found to the WSH Services Ltd manager who is in direct with WSH Services Ltd Ecologist. Also refer to Annex V (Recording and Monitoring Forms)

Objective 4: Appropriate monitoring is conducted.



Breeding bird monitoring will be undertaken prior to commencement of site works by the WSH Services Ltd manager and site manager countryside Partnerships .

1.2 Resources to be Available to all personnel

- Advice Note: Birds Tree felling Operations
- Toolbox Talk No. 3: Breeding Birds. (TT/37)
- Forests and Birds (FC/RSPB 1997) (contains information on timing of operations and required buffer zones for certain bird species).
- Laminated Bird Identification Card listing typical breeding and nesting birds – to be kept in vehicles.
- Bird identification books, CD-Roms, and audio CD's. Suggested items for District Technical Libraries:
 - Birds Nests, Eggs and Nestlings. Collins
 - DVD-ROM – Guide to British Birds Version 7.
<http://www.birdguides.com/>
 - Audio CD – British Bird Sounds on CD. The British Library.
www.bl.uk/collections/sound-archive/wild

2.0 Nest protection procedure

2.1 Known Nest Sites

- WSH Services Ltd Manager, or someone nominated by him, to identify known nest sites prior to commencement of site works start using an agreed marker methodology and buffer zone.
- Marker methodology should consist of advance signage advising personnel of the direction of the distance from the route of the nearest nest site, and that avoidance is necessary.
- Report any accidental disturbance to known nest site to the WSH SERVICES Ltd Manager.
- WSH Services Ltd Manager to investigate the nature of the disturbance and report immediately to the client.
- Advice to be sought from WSH Services LTD Ecologist and/or relevant Statutory Nature Conservation Organisation:
 - <http://www.naturalengland.org.uk>
 - www.ccw.gov.uk
 - www.snh.gov.uk

3.0 Monitoring and Review Schedule

- All personnel to report any nesting behaviour seen on site in the course of each day.



- WSH Services Ltd Manager, or person nominated by him, to carry out searches for breeding birds prior to commencement of site clearance – to locate nests ahead of site clearance impacts.
- All searches to be recorded

3.1 Procedure in Event of a Nest Being Found

3.1.1 General Procedure (for non schedule 1 species)

- Stop site clearance activity within 50m of the nest immediately. (This distance may vary but seek advice from Forest Ecologist)
- Do not approach the nest.
- Inform the WSH Services Ltd Manager immediately of the nest location and species (if known).
- WSH Services Ltd Manager to inform client.
- WSH Services Ltd Manager to attend the site as a matter of urgency to ensure that activity has stopped in the area, no personnel are within 50m of the nest, and to identify species, any damage to the nest or chicks, and the location and the location and behaviour of any adults.
- WSH Services Ltd Manager to make contact with Ecologist and/or relevant Statutory Nature Conservation Organisation to obtain advice.
- Where a confirmed nest site lies within 50m of the work zone, work in this area should be delayed until the young are mobile and the nest site is marked as per 2.1(1).
- If delay is not possible then Statutory Nature Conservation Organisation advice should be followed with regard to what actions can be taken, and the requirement for any license to direct disturb the nesting bird, nest, eggs or young.
- Where there is public safety issues that may over-ride species protection legislation then advice on licences and application forms is here:

<http://www.defra.gov.uk/wildlife-countryside/vertebrates/other-bird.htm#licence>

<http://www.snh.org.uk/pdfs/licences/bird.pdf>

3.1.2 Nest of EC Birds Directive Annex 1/wildlife and countryside Act Schedule 1 species (see Annex III)

- Stop activity within 100m of the nest or suspected site immediately.
- Do not approach the nest.
- Inform the WSH Services Manager immediately of the nest location and species (if known).
- WSH Services Ltd Manager to inform client.



- WSH Services Ltd Manager to attend the site as a matter of urgency to ensure that activity has stopped in the area, no personnel are within 30m of the nest or suspected nest site.
- WSH Services Ltd Manager to confirm whether a nest exists. If so, identify species, any damage to the nest or chicks, and the location and behaviour of any adults.
- If any nest is confirmed, the relevant Statutory Nature Conservation Organisation should be advised immediately by WSH Services Ltd Manager on client authorisation.
- The nest location should be marked as per 2.1(1)
- No further action should be taken in the vicinity of the nest until Statutory Nature Conservation Organisation advice has been received and any necessary licenses obtained.

Annex 1

Advice Note:

Birds and WSH Services Ltd operations

Purpose: To help staff understand the legal protection given to birds and to encourage an approach that takes reasonable precaution to ensure the conservation of birds particularly during the breeding season.

Key Purpose: Forest Managers, Contact Manager, Utility Arboriculture Managers. For sub-contracted employees please refer to Toolbox Talk No 3 Breeding Birds.

Key operational purpose: Many of our operations in forestry, landscaping and utility arboriculture have the potential to impact on birds. During site works it is necessary to be aware that tree felling, pruning, brashing, scrub control or even tree planting can lead to disturbance of breeding birds. We must be aware of the potential our operations might have on birds and the strict legal protection they are afforded especially during the breeding

Legal position



The following summarises the legal position in relation to nesting birds and the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

The relevant section of the Act states:

1.-(1) *Subject to the provisions of this Part, if any person intentionally-*

(a) kills, injures or takes any wild bird;

(b) takes, damages or destroys the nest of any wild bird while that nest is in use or being built; or

(c) takes or destroys an egg of any wild bird, he shall be guilty of an offence.

It is worth noting that are some expectations to these offences. For example, an offence is not committed if it can be shown that:

- The unlawful act was the incidental result of a lawful operation or other activity and;
- Reasonable precaution were taken to avoid the unlawful act or the unlawful act was not foreseen, and could not reasonably have been foreseen and;
- As soon as it was noticed an unlawful act was happening, the person concerned took "such steps as were reasonably practicable" to minimise the damage/disturbance/destruction.

The key word within the Wildlife and Countryside Act is **intentionally**. Where we are aware, or have been made aware by third party, that there are nesting birds then any disturbance could be construed as intentional rather than accidental. In all WSH Services LTD operations we must take the necessary precaution to avoid this possibility.

Amendments to Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981: In England and Wales the countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 (CroW) and the Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004 have amended this section of the 1981 Act to include intentionally and "**recklessly**". This is a significant change as acting recklessly is easier to prove in law than acting intentionally.

Taking reasonable precaution

Recent case law has helped interpret the term reckless. If one is aware of a known or probable risk then it would be deemed unreasonable to take the risk (i.e. the action will be reckless).

Where there is a high potential for breeding birds then the following precautions should be taken:

- It may be necessary to plan work outwith the breeding season in known breeding locations. Known breeding locations may come to light for example during the scoping process for Forest Plans or by having a good working relationships with the local bird watchers or NGOs. All known breeding sites should be held (confidentially) on the mapping system;
- Where we become aware of breeding birds **after** the work has started then consideration must be given to delaying the work (or parts of the work) until after the breeding season. Where work coincides with



the breeding season then consideration must be given to implementing the Breeding Birds Protection Plan found on the Environmental Management System database;

- As nesting sites are not given special protection outwith the breeding season (the breeding season being March through to August) then work can proceed assuming all other sensitivities have been taken into account;
- It may also be an offence to disturb the young of a certain species (e.g. Barn Owls) before they are wholly independent. For example, one could disturb fledglings that have left the nest but are using adjacent trees;
- Raise and maintain high levels of awareness of birds with all personnel involved with the management of the site. This is particularly relevant to sub-contracted employees who should be fully briefed on birds. They should be under strict instruction to stop and seek advice should they have concerns over breeding birds. WSH Services Ltd will support appropriate training for staff involved with protected species work and as part of a CD programme.
- All briefings, concerns raised and decision made should be fully recorded and held on file in case we have to deal with a third party charge of acting recklessly; and
- Be aware of the potential impacts of your work on breeding birds and refer any doubts or concerns to the Company Ecologist.

Sources of further information

There may be existing species information available some of which is on:

<http://www.searchnbn.net/>.

Details of the relevant Statutory Nature Conservation Organisations can be found at:

Agency	WEB link
Natural England	http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/
Countryside Council for Wales	http://www.ccw.gov.uk/
Scottish Natural Heritage	http://www.snh.org.uk/

The following WEB link is FC's map-based Land Information Search. This should be used to search for statutory designations that might potentially be affected by operation works.

<http://www.forestry.gov.uk/forestry/INFD-5YGFEL>

A brief guide to wild birds and the law can be found here:

<http://www.rspb.org.uk/policy/wildbirdslaw/birdsandlaw/index.asp>

A bird identification guide can be found here:

<http://www.rspb.org.uk/birds/guide/b/index.asp>

FCS Guidance Note 32: Forest operations and birds in Scottish forests can be found here:



[http://www.forestry.gov.uk/pdf/Guidancenote32Birddisturbance.pdf/\\$FILE/Guidancenote32Birddisturbance.pdf](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/pdf/Guidancenote32Birddisturbance.pdf/$FILE/Guidancenote32Birddisturbance.pdf)

This is a link to arboricultural works and wildlife legislation:

http://www.the-tree.org.uk/EnchantedForest/nesting_birds.htm

TOOLBOX TALK

No 3

BREEDING BIRDS

What?

All wild birds, their nests and eggs, are protected by law and some rare species are afforded special protection.



Depending on your location the breeding season can start in February/March and last through to late August.

Look out for:

- ✓ Breeding activity which may include signing, courtship displays or nest building activity.
- ✓ Nestling/fledgling feeding activity.
- ✓ Potential nesting sites: every mature tree is potential nest site as there are thick hedges and scrub vegetation.
- ✓ Nests; if you find an occupied nest or fell a tree with a nest in it STOP work immediately and refer to your line manager.

WHY?

Avoid prosecution:

All wild birds, their nests and eggs are protected against **intentional** or **reckless** damage.

INTENTIONAL OR RECKLESS?

It will be an intentional act if, for example, you continue to reduce or remove a hedgerow, tree or shrub, after you discover, or are told that birds are nesting there.

The discovery of a nest during the process of work will also prohibit further cutting work within an area or buffer zone around the nest.

✓ DO

If you think you have found a nest on site, **STOP** immediately and inform your line manager.

✗ DON'T

Proceed with any works that might harm breeding birds.

Annex III

BIRD RECORDING

Bird recording will be undertaken on an incidental (informal, everyday) basis by all site personnel, and on a formal basis by, or arranged by, the WSH Services Ltd Manager.



The aim of bird recording is to maintain an awareness of bird activity on site such that the potential for nest site identification and subsequent protection is maximised.

Recording Relevant to: All Site Personnel

All site personnel should ensure that they carry Toolbox Talk No. 3 with them at all times.

Watch out for the following signs that may indicate breeding:-

- Song, courtship and displaying
- Birds engaged in territorial behaviour and territorial dispute
- Nest building (including excavating nest hole)
- Adults visiting probable nest site
- Locations of nest or newly fledged young
- Agitated behaviour of adult birds (e.g. repetitive alarm calling, distraction display) indicating nearby presence of nest or young.

Any birds noted as above are to be recorded in the Bird Record Log on a daily basis. A recording sheet is provided in Annex V.

The WSH Services Ltd Manager will be responsible for ensuring that records are gathered and kept in an accessible and comprehensible manner.

Recording Relevant to: WSH Services Ltd Manager

The WSH Services Ltd Manager will ensure that the site is surveyed for the presence of breeding birds prior to the commencement of site clearance works that are scheduled to take place during the bird breeding season (March to August).

ANNEX IV

Schedule 1 Birds



Birds protected by special penalties at all times.

Birds marked with * were schedule 4 species until 24 May 1994, when a [new schedule 4](#) was produced. Species most likely to be encountered during WSH Services Ltd works are shown in red.

- *Avocat
- *Bee-eater
- *Bittern
- *Bittern, little
- *Bluethroat
- Brambling
- *Bunting, ciril
- *Bunting, snow
- *Buzzard, honey
- Capercaillie
- *Chough
- *Corncrake
- *Crake, spotted
- *Crossbill (all species)
- *Curlew, stone
- *Diver (all species)
- Dotterel
- *Duck, long-tailed
- *Eagle, golden
- *Eagle, white-tailed
- *Falcon, gyr
- *Fieldfare
- *Firecrest
- Garganey
- *Godwit, black-tailed
- **Goshawk**
- *Grebe, Slavonian
- *Greenshank
- Gull, little
- Gull, Mediterranean
- *Harriers (all species)
- Heron, purple
- *Hobby
- *Hoopoe
- *Kingfisher
- ***Kite, red**
- *Merlin
- *Oriole, golden
- *Osprey
- **Owl, barn**
- Owl, snowy
- *Peregrine
- *Petrel, Leach's
- *Phalarope, red-necked
- *Plover, kentish
- *Plover, little ringed
- *Quail, common
- *Redstart, black
- *Redwing
- *Rosefinch, scarlett
- *Ruff
- *Sandpiper, green
- *Sandpiper, purple
- *Sandpiper, wood
- Scaup
- *Scoter, common
- *Scoter, velvet
- *Serin
- *Shorelark
- *Shrike, red backed
- *Spoonbill
- *Stilt, black-winged
- *Stint, Temminck's
- *Swan, Bewick's
- Swan, whooper
- *Tern, black
- *Tern, little
- *Tern, roseate
- *Tit, bearded
- *Tit, crested
- *Treecreeper, short-toed
- *Warbler, Dartford
- *Warbler, Savi's
- *Whimbrel
- *Woodlark
- *Wryneck
- *Grebe, black-necked

A4.3 Contractor's Daily Site Assessment Form

Daily Assessment Form

From

12/06/2023

To

28/06/2023

Supervisor	Nick Hardwick		
Client – Contractor	Countryside partnerships		
Location	Hollins bank Littleborough OL15 0AU		
	Fell trees as per marked drawings under supervision ECOW		
Area details	Oldham	Grid Reference	
Contact Name	TBC	Telephone Number	
Landowner Details		Permission	Yes
Arising Instructions	On site		
Clients Supervisor	N/A		
Description of work	This method statement describes the work process for professional tree & vegetation contractors services including a) Complete Tree Removal - Tree Pruning b) Stump Grinding - Scrub Mulching c) Tree Planting d) Hedge Trimming e) Wood chipping 1) Collect all necessary equipment from the workshop and load onto wagon. 2) Put on your personal protective equipment. 3) When arriving on site staff will report to the client and collect any instructions. 4) Area to be worked will be marked out with warning signs (and safety tape if necessary). 5) Unload equipment from wagon. 6) The site to be worked will be visually inspected for safety of operation, the location of power lines, telephone cables, vehicles etc will be noted and the area made safe before work commences. 7) Visually inspect the equipment and remove from service if there are any obvious faults. 8) Put on your safety harness. 9) Start the equipment and check all safety features are operating correctly; you must not attempt to defeat any safety function nor use any equipment with damaged or malfunctioning safety features. 10) Fell the trees as required. 11) Ensure the site remains clear of persons/children, if not then stop work until the site is clear again. 12) At the completion of sawing, stop the engine and ensure the safety cut off is engaged. 13) Clear all debris and fallen greenery. 14) Ensure that debris under 400mm is processed through chipper.		



		15) Debris over 400mm should be removed from site. 16) Carry out stump grinding- scrub mulching. 17) Remove the safety warning signs and ensure the area is safe.		
Job Number		tbc	Due By Date	28/06/2023
Vehicles/Equipment		Hand Saws Ufkus 942Tracked chipper JCB 235T Tracked Mulcher KUBOTA U55Tracked Excavator and grab Fendt Mulcher Doosan dx14 tree shear		
Nearest Hospital		Fairfield General Hospital Rochdale Old Road Bury Lancashire BL9 7TD 7.1m		
Rescue Plan		Alert team leader immediately & proceed as per company rescue plan		

Risk Assessments	Applicable	Fire – Plant &Equipment	Yes / No
Manual Handling	Yes / No	Working on roads with Traffic Management	Yes / No
De vegetation with chainsaw	Yes / No	Transporting Plant	Yes / No
Tree Felling and Limbing	Yes / No	Fencing	Yes / No
Tree cutting around Rly OLE	Yes / No	Spraying with Chemicals	Yes / No
Use of Mechanical Chipper	Yes / No		
Stump Grinding	Yes / No	TPO/Conservation Area?	Yes/No
Use Scrub Mulcher/Flail	Yes / No	Permission Granted?	Yes/No
Working at Height	Yes / No	Environment	Applicable
Rope Access	Yes / No	Protected species/site	Yes / No
Use of Excavator and grab	Yes / No	Pollution	Yes / No
Plant movement	Yes / No	COSHH Assessments	Applicable
Working near water	Yes / No	Petrol	Yes / No
Adjacent to Roads & Paths	Yes / No	Diesel	Yes / No
Loading/Unloading vehicles	Yes / No	Glyphosate	Yes / No
Use of MEWP	Yes / No	Supplementary R/A's	Yes / No
Site Details			
Gardens/Private	Yes / No	Public Location	Yes / No
Lighting	Yes / No	Contractors Site	Yes / No
Night Work	Yes / No	Traffic Management	Yes / No
Site Hazards	Present	Detail	Risk controlled
Overhead electricity	Yes / No	ASSUME LIVE	All staff to be made aware
Overhead Telecomms	Yes / No	ASSUME LIVE	All staff to be made aware
Ground level services	Yes / No	ASSUME LIVE	All staff to be made aware



Underground services	Yes / No	ASSUME LIVE	
Roads/Traffic	Yes / No		
Paths/Pedestrians	Yes / No		
Watercourse	Yes / No		
Crops	Yes / No		
Buildings	Yes / No		
Slope over 45 deg	Yes / No		
Slip/Trip	Yes / No		
Toolbox Talks Carried out	Yes / No	Nesting bird	

I confirm that I have been briefed on the above work sheet.
I am satisfied with and understand the content of the briefing.
I am fit for work and not under the influence of drugs/alcohol/medication.

Name:	Job Description	Signature
Wayne Hargreaves CSCS, NPTC, LANTRA, UKPIA, CPC, LISS	Chainsaw & Machine Operative	
Nick Hardwick CSCS NPTC LANTRA, UKPIA, CPC, citb, LISS	Chainsaw & Machine Operative	
Josh Grest CSCS, NPTC, LISS	Chainsaw & Machine Operative	
Martyn Flesher CSCS, NPTC, LANTRA, UKPIA, LISS	Chainsaw & Machine Operative	
Jamie Hardwick CSCS NPTC, LANTRA, UKPIA, LISS	Chainsaw & Machine Operative	

Supervisor Name	Nick Hardwick	Signature & Date	12/06/2023
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Nesting birds present on site ECOW to advice on areas to hand cut with electric chainsaws only for first few days
Followed BY heavy machinery once areas are released by ECOW
