

Wildlife Records Count!

There are many pressures on our local species and habitats and never before has wildlife recording been so important – your records can help build a picture on how species are faring, where they are and aren't, and help protect your local environment.



🔍 today's common species may be tomorrow's rare species; we won't know it's happening and won't be able to help if we don't know where they are

🔍 monitoring species can also help us detect other kinds of change, such as change in the climate. For example, butterflies associated with warmer regions may arrive here and become established

🔍 above all, recording gives you the perfect excuse to get out there and explore, study and enjoy nature where you live, work or visit!

Find out more here: <https://iwnhas.org/recording/iwatch-wildlife/why-record/>

The preferred method for general wildlife recording on the Isle of Wight is **iRecord** - a free website / mobile app that allows users to submit, manage, and share wildlife sightings and photos (scan QR Code).

It streamlines the process of validating species records with help from expert verifiers and shares data to support biodiversity, research, and conservation in the UK.

Using iRecord means that our Local Records Centre can access the data which plays an essential role in decision-making at all levels, helping to protect and improve biodiversity on the Island and beyond.

