

## January 2026

**HIGHLIGHTS: Great Northern Diver, White-fronted Goose, Goosander, Golden Plover, Little Owl, Firecrest and Brambling.**

Water bird maxima were from the WeBS count on 17<sup>th</sup> unless dated otherwise. 1 Great Northern Diver 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8 Little Grebe 6<sup>th</sup>, 26 Great Crested Grebe 28<sup>th</sup>, 21 Cormorant, 1 Great White Egret 1<sup>st</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 1 Little Egret 5<sup>th</sup>, 3 Grey Heron 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2 Mute Swan 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, 1 Pink-footed Goose 5<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, 2 White-fronted Goose 5<sup>th</sup>, 200 Greylag Goose 5<sup>th</sup>, 320 Canada Goose 1<sup>st</sup>, 36 Barnacle Goose 10<sup>th</sup>, 3 Egyptian Goose, 2 Shelduck 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, 112 Wigeon, 123 Gadwall, 936 Teal, 461 Mallard, 1 Pintail reported on 9 occasions, 2 Shoveler 6<sup>th</sup>, 114 Pochard 28<sup>th</sup>, 40 Tufted Duck 6<sup>th</sup>, 14 Goldeneye 28<sup>th</sup>, 5 Goosander 13<sup>th</sup>, 1 Water Rail 24<sup>th</sup>, 4 Moorhen 17<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 145 Coot.

Raptor sightings included 3 Red Kite 7<sup>th</sup>, 2 Sparrowhawk 20<sup>th</sup>, 5 Buzzard 20<sup>th</sup>, 2 Kestrel 7<sup>th</sup>, 1 Peregrine reported on 7 occasions.

Nine species of waders through this month with 5 Oystercatcher 28<sup>th</sup>, 20 Golden Plover 16<sup>th</sup>, 51 Lapwing 6<sup>th</sup>, 1 Snipe reported on 6 occasions, 2 Woodcock 15<sup>th</sup>, 1 Black-tailed Godwit 19<sup>th</sup>, 3 Curlew 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 1 Redshank reported 10 occasions this month, 1 Common Sandpiper also reported 7 occasions.

Maximum Gull numbers were 2000 Black-headed Gull, 2000 Common Gull, 400 Lesser Black-backed Gull, 4 Herring Gull 5<sup>th</sup>, 1 Yellow-legged Gull 1<sup>st</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1 Caspian Gull 21<sup>st</sup>, 1 Great Black-backed Gull reported on 6 occasions.

Other species noted were 1 Little Owl 5<sup>th</sup>, 3 Tawny Owl 15<sup>th</sup>, 3 Great Spotted Woodpecker 28<sup>th</sup>, 1 Skylark 12<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, 17 Meadow Pipit 6<sup>th</sup>, 1 Grey Wagtail 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2 Pied Wagtail 5<sup>th</sup>, 190 Fieldfare 16<sup>th</sup>, 6 Song Thrush 16<sup>th</sup>, 330 Redwing 16<sup>th</sup>, 4 Goldcrest 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2 Firecrest 3<sup>rd</sup>, 22 Long-tailed Tit 28<sup>th</sup>, 3 Willow Tit 1<sup>st</sup>, 3 Nuthatch 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, 3 Treecreepers 16<sup>th</sup>, 30 Rook 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5 Raven 20<sup>th</sup>, 1000 Starling 24<sup>th</sup>, 30 House Sparrow 19<sup>th</sup>, 10 Chaffinch 20<sup>th</sup>, 1 Brambling 13<sup>th</sup>, 10 Greenfinch 10<sup>th</sup>, 40 Siskin 23<sup>rd</sup>, 60 Linnet 20<sup>th</sup>, 4 Redpoll 13<sup>th</sup>, 4 Crossbill 14<sup>th</sup>, 4 Bullfinch 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, 4 Reed Bunting 14<sup>th</sup>.

The total 97 species noted compares to 93 in 2025, 98 in 2024, 98 in 2023, 97 in 2022, 86 in 2021.