

# Land Management Resources

- Caring for God's Acre – they have an abundance of resources relating to managing churchyards for wildlife. These can be expanded out into the wider countryside (<https://www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk/resources/>)
- Butterfly Conservation – a lot information about how you can help invertebrates including 'How to garden for pollinators' (<https://butterfly-conservation.org/how-you-can-help/get-involved/gardening>)
- Plantlife and Buglife – keen to help people manage road verges in a more wildlife friendly way (<https://plantlife.love-wildflowers.org.uk/roadvergecampaign/management-guidelines>; <https://www.buglife.org.uk/our-work/b-lines/b-lines-guidance/> and <https://cdn.buglife.org.uk/2020/04/Sheet-4-Management-of-wildflower-rich-grasslands-for-insects-1.pdf>)
- Hedgehog street – mapping hedgehogs across the country and providing information and advice to make your community more hedgehog-friendly (<https://www.hedgehogstreet.org/>)
- People's Trust for Endangered Species (<https://ptes.org/>)
- Floodplains Meadows (<http://www.floodplainmeadows.org.uk/>)
- Chiltern Rangers – they have a wealth of experience in delivering conservation land management on the ground (<https://chilternrangers.co.uk/>)
- Bucks Buzzing (<https://bucksmknep.co.uk/bucks-buzzing/>)

# Identification and other resources

- iSpot – if you are not sure what you have found try uploading a photo to ispot and get the community to help you (<https://www.ispotnature.org/>)
- iRecord – a good way to store your wildlife records, you can even set up a recording group specifically for your parish or a particular site (<https://www.brc.ac.uk/irecord/>)
- Field Studies Council (<https://www.field-studies-council.org/>) – particularly their biolinks project (<https://www.fscbiodiversity.uk/projects/biolinks>)
- Chalk, Cherries & Chairs have been holding a series of webinars during lockdown which should be available on YouTube – including butterflies, bird song, ladybirds and dragonflies.
- Butterfly Conservation id pages to help you identify the butterflies and moths you see (<https://butterfly-conservation.org/butterflies/identify-a-butterfly>)
- RSPB – online resources to help identify birds and their songs (<https://www.rspb.org.uk/birds-and-wildlife/wildlife-guides/identify-a-bird/> and <https://www.rspb.org.uk/birds-and-wildlife/bird-songs/what-bird-is-that/>)
- Botanical Society of the British Isles has lots of resources to help identify plants (<https://bsbi.org/get-involved>)
- Local natural history societies – a wealth of information and expertise through their members as well as providing a varied programme of talks in the winter and summer field excursions, considering joining one near you. (Bucks Fungus Group (<http://www.bucksfungusgroup.org.uk/>); Milton Keynes Natural History Society (<https://mknhs.org.uk/>); Bucks Mammal Group (<https://bucksmknep.co.uk/directory-categories/bucksmammals/>) to name but a few.
- The Conservation Volunteers – this organisation can provide help and support when setting up a volunteer group, particularly in relation to insurance (<https://www.tcv.org.uk/>)

.....there are many more, as a quick internet search will reveal.....and several national schemes to get involved with through citizen science projects such as Treezilla (the monster map of trees!); BTO Garden Birdwatch; Big Butterfly Count etc.