



Passionate about the wildlife of the Chilterns? Want to carry out bird, butterfly or plant surveys in new and unexplored areas? Want to improve your ID and survey skills? Want to help train new wildlife surveyors? *Tracking the Impact might be of interest*

The Chilterns Conservation Board has teamed up with Butterfly Conservation, British Trust for Ornithology, Centre for Ecology and Hydrology and Plantlife to deliver an exciting new landscape-scale wildlife surveying programme across the Central Chilterns area.

New surveying opportunities will be on offer not only for experienced surveyors but also the next generation through a species ID and survey training package.

Working across 50 1km survey squares, the project will dovetail with existing national recording schemes (Breeding Bird Survey, Wider Countryside Butterfly Survey and National Plant Monitoring Scheme) to bolster coverage in a ground-breaking new partnership.

The project will offer opportunities to explore new sites in the area and the data will be used to track trends across the landscape and inform practical woodland, grassland and farmland habitat management projects.



(Roy MacDonald)
Is the Duke of Burgundy expanding its range?



(Roy MacDonald)
Where are Corn Buntings breeding?

If your interest is in birds, butterflies and/or plants we are offering exciting new opportunities to:

- take on new survey squares and get involved in national recording schemes
- receive training in species ID and survey techniques
- offer training and support to new volunteer surveyors

The project will last initially for 4 years and will start in spring 2020. We are looking for volunteers to carry out surveys during the spring and summer and would love to hear from you if you:

- are an experienced surveyor and are keen to take on a new patch
- have some species ID experience but would like some training to help you develop
- are new to surveying and want some training on specific survey methods

By getting involved you will both be making a big difference to your local wildlife in the Chilterns and be contributing to national recording schemes. We will also be offering the chance to meet with other surveyors and to get feedback on the project at regular workshops and events.



(Allen Beechey)



(Nick Marriner)

Are there any undiscovered local populations of Chiltern Gentian or new species rich grassland areas?

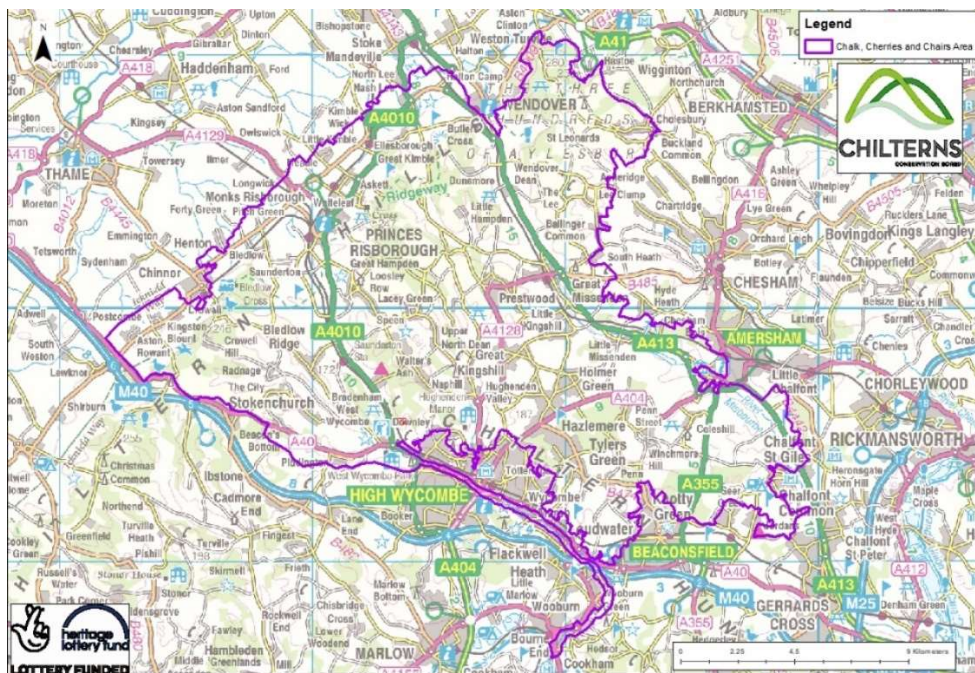
Tracking the Impact is part of the new Chalk, Cherries and Chairs Landscape Partnership Scheme which is funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund and managed by the Chilterns Conservation Board (www.chilternsaonb.org/projects/landscape-partnership-scheme.html)

If you are interested in getting involved as a surveyor, want to find out how the project can help you improve your skills or if you would like to help others improve their skills then please contact:

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Central Chilterns project area (outlined in purple)

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