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Appendix 8.22 – Part 1: Breeding Bird Survey (2015 & 2016) – Species List & Conservation Status

Table 1 below lists the bird species recorded during the breeding bird surveys carried out in 2015 and 2016.

Table 1 Bird species recorded during the 2015 & 2016 breeding bird surveys

Common name	Latin name	Conservation Status ¹
Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	Green
Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>	Green
Black-headed Gull	<i>Larus ridibundus</i>	Red
Blue Tit	<i>Parus caeruleus</i>	Green
Bullfinch	<i>Pyrrhula pyrrhula</i>	Green
Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	Green
Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>	Green
Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	Green
Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	Amber
Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>	Amber
Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	Amber
Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>	Green
Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>	Red
Dunnock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>	Green
Feral Pigeon	<i>Columba livia f. domestica</i>	Green
Goldcrest	<i>Regulus regulus</i>	Amber
Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	Green
Grasshopper Warbler	<i>Locustella naevia</i>	Green
Great Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus marinus</i>	Amber
Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>	Green
Greenfinch	<i>Carduelis chloris</i>	Amber

¹ 1 Birds of Conservation Concern in Ireland (BoCCI) status after Colhoun, K. & Cummins, S. (2013) Birds of Conservation Concern in Ireland 2014-2019. *Irish Birds* 9:523-544.

Common name	Latin name	Conservation Status ¹
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	Green
Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>	Red
Herring Gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>	Red
Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus corone cornix</i>	Green
House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>	Amber
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	Amber
Jackdaw	<i>Corvus monedula</i>	Green
Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>	Green
Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	Amber
Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>	Amber
Linnet	<i>Carduelis cannabina</i>	Amber
Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	Amber
Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalus caudatus</i>	Green
Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	Green
Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Green
Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>	Red
Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>	Amber
Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	Green
Peregrine	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Green
Pheasant	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>	Green
Pied Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>	Green
Reed Bunting	<i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>	Green
Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>	Green
Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	Amber
Rook	<i>Corvus frugilegus</i>	Green
Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	Amber
Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>	Green
Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>	Amber

Common name	Latin name	Conservation Status ¹
Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>	Green
Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>	Amber
Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Amber
Stock Dove	<i>Columba oenas</i>	Amber
Stonechat	<i>Saxicola torquata</i>	Amber
Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	Amber
Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>	Amber
Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>	Amber
Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>	Red
Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia communis</i>	Green
Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	Green
Woodpigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	Green
Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>	Green

Appendix 8.22 – Part 2: Summary of 2023 Breeding Bird Survey Data

Table 1 below lists the bird species recorded during the breeding bird surveys carried out in 2023.

Table 1 Summary of Breeding Bird Data from 2023

Common name	Scientific name	Breeding Status and Behaviour	Number of Records	BOCCI ¹	SCI ²	Annex I
Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	Confirmed breeding	580	Green	No	No
Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>	Confirmed breeding	248	Green	No	No
Black-headed Gull	<i>Larus ridibundus</i>	Non-breeder	7	Amber	Yes	No
Blue Tit	<i>Parus caeruleus</i>	Confirmed breeding	252	Green	No	No
Bullfinch	<i>Pyrrhula pyrrhula</i>	Confirmed breeding	65	Green	No	No
Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>	Probable breeding	4	Green	No	No
Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	Confirmed breeding	108	Green	No	No
Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>	Confirmed breeding	153	Green	No	No
Coal Tit	<i>Periparus ater</i>	Confirmed breeding	82	Green	No	No
Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	Probable breeder	12	Green	No	No
Common Gull	<i>Larus canus</i>	Non-breeder	2	Amber	Yes	No
Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	Non-breeder	1	Amber	Yes	No
Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	Non-breeder	17	Amber	Yes	No
Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>	Probable breeder	11	Green	No	No

¹ Birds of Conservation Concern in Ireland (BoCCI) status after Gilbert, G., Stanbury, A. & Lewis, L. (2021) Birds of Conservation Concern in Ireland 2020-2026. *Irish Birds* 43:1-22.

² Special Conservation Interests (SCI) species are Annex I birds, and migratory birds and their habitats for which sites are selected for SPA designation.

Common name	Scientific name	Breeding Status and Behaviour	Number of Records	BOCCI ¹	SCI ²	Annex I
Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>	Non-breeder	1	Red	Yes	No
Dunnock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>	Probable breeder	210	Green	No	No
Feral Pigeon	<i>Columba livia f. domestica</i>	Confirmed breeding	8	Green	No	No
Goldcrest	<i>Regulus regulus</i>	Confirmed breeding	168	Amber	No	No
Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	Confirmed breeding	259	Green	No	No
Grasshopper Warbler	<i>Locustella naevia</i>	Possible breeder	15	Green	No	No
Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>	Confirmed breeding	215	Green	No	No
Greenfinch	<i>Carduelis chloris</i>	Probable breeder	9	Amber	No	No
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	Possible breeder	6	Green	Yes	No
Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>	Possible breeder	3	Red	No	No
Herring Gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>	Confirmed breeding	37	Red	Yes	No
Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus corone cornix</i>	Confirmed breeding	106	Green	No	No
House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>	Confirmed breeding	27	Amber	No	No
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	Confirmed breeding	26	Amber	No	No
Jackdaw	<i>Corvus monedula</i>	Confirmed breeding	81	Green	No	No
Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>	Probable breeder	7	Green	No	No
Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	Probable breeder	10	Red	No	No
Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>	Non-breeder	9	Amber	Yes	No
Linnet	<i>Carduelis cannabina</i>	Confirmed breeding	35	Amber	No	No
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	Non-breeder	1	Green	No	Yes

Common name	Scientific name	Breeding Status and Behaviour	Number of Records	BOCCI ¹	SCI ²	Annex I
Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	Possible breeder	1	Amber	Yes	No
Long-eared Owl	<i>Asio otus</i>	Confirmed breeder	2	Green	No	No
Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>	Probable breeder	38	Green	No	No
Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	Confirmed breeding	108	Green	No	No
Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Probable breeder	10	Amber	Yes	No
Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>	Probable breeder	8	Red	No	No
Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>	Confirmed breeding	31	Amber	No	No
Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	Possible breeder	1	Green	No	No
Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Confirmed breeder	2	Green	Yes	Yes
Pheasant	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>	Probable breeder	46	Green	No	No
Pied Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>	Confirmed breeding	25	Green	No	No
Redpoll (lesser)	<i>Acanthis flammea</i>	Possible breeder	7	Green	No	No
Reed Bunting	<i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>	Probable breeder	4	Green	No	No
Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	Confirmed breeding	358	Amber	No	No
Rock Dove (not feral)	<i>Columba livia</i>	Probable breeder	1	Green	No	No
Rook	<i>Corvus frugilegus</i>	Confirmed breeding	64	Green	No	No
Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	Non-breeder	2	Amber	No	No
Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>	Confirmed breeding	14	Green	No	No
Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>	Possible breeder	2	Amber	No	No
Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	Probable breeder	25	Red	No	No

Common name	Scientific name	Breeding Status and Behaviour	Number of Records	BOCCI ¹	SCI ²	Annex I
Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>	Confirmed breeding	178	Green	No	No
Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>	Possible breeder	2	Amber	No	No
Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Confirmed breeding	110	Amber	No	No
Stonechat	<i>Saxicola torquata</i>	Confirmed breeding	11	Amber	No	No
Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	Confirmed breeding	97	Amber	No	No
Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>	Probable breeder	9	Red	No	No
Tree Sparrow	<i>Passer montanus</i>	Possible breeder	1	Amber	No	No
Treecreeper	<i>Certhia familiaris</i>	Probable breeder	10	Green	No	No
Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia communis</i>	Probable breeder	63	Green	No	No
Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	Probable breeder	366	Amber	No	No
Woodpigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	Confirmed breeding	327	Green	No	No
Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>	Probable breeder	829	Green	No	No