

What is an RSPB Local Group?

We are supporters who have joined together to combine our enjoyment of wildlife with a collective aim of helping the RSPB.

Our aims are to:

- Conserve nature together with the natural and semi-natural habitats on which it depends and to create habitats to give nature a home.
- Encourage others to practise the conservation of wildlife and habitats.
- Promote knowledge of conservation through education and research.

The RSPB is the country's largest nature conservation charity, inspiring everyone to give nature a home.

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The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) is a registered charity: England and Wales no. 207076, Scotland no. SC037654

OUR PROGRAMME

Field Meetings

We have an interesting and varied programme enjoying the wildlife in some of Suffolk's diverse habitats from ancient woodland to recently created sanctuaries.

Estuary - Walks along many of the county's beautiful rivers and especially the important estuarine habitats of the Orwell, Stour, Deben, Alde and Blyth offer the opportunity to see birds feeding on the invertebrate-rich mud. Suffolk's estuaries hold such high numbers of certain species such as Black-tailed Godwit, Teal, Avocet and Redshank that they are considered to be of international importance.

Coast - Being only a short drive from the sea we are able to watch the seasonal comings and goings of many of the migratory birds resting and refuelling before continuing their journeys. Our constantly changing coastline is also an internationally important wildlife habitat consisting of shingle, vegetated shingle, sand dune and soft cliffs, behind which can be found saltmarsh, reedbeds and coastal grazing.

Lowland Heaths - Our annual programme always includes a walk on one of the heaths, known collectively as sandlings, in search of birds such as Woodlark and to listen for the haunting sounds of churring Nightjars on their arrival from Africa in the spring.

Please Note

Dogs are not permitted at events and children under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times.

Monthly Midweek Walks

Around the town's parks and local areas on Tuesday mornings - see programme for details.

Field meetings and midweek walks are free, unless stated otherwise.

Indoor Meetings

From September to April - on the second Thursday of each month at 19:30. We meet at Rushmere St Andrew Church Hall, The Street, Rushmere, IP5 1DH.

We have interesting and entertaining speakers giving illustrated talks on their travels, birds and other wildlife.

Free refreshments are available during the evening when it is possible to catch up on local bird news and buy raffle tickets and pin badges to help raise funds for the RSPB.

Indoor Meeting Admission Charges

Group Members (on production of current membership card)

Adults £3.00 Seniors £2.80

Non-member adults £5.00

All under 18s Free

Please Note

The full colour version Orwell Observer magazine will be sent to you by e-mail three times a year.

Application for Membership of The Ipswich Local Group

(please print, using lower case where appropriate)

NAME/S	Tick if under 18	£
.....	<input type="checkbox"/>
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.....	<input type="checkbox"/>

Total Enclosed £

Membership - Adults £5.00 Under 18s £1.00

Address

Post Code

Tel No

Email

If you are an RSPB member please tick

Please complete and return to:
The Membership Secretary
8 Winston Ave Ipswich IP4 3LS

Your data will be held by Ipswich Local Group. We may send you information about group activities, events and the work of the RSPB. If you wish to amend or update your details or do not want us to use them in this way, please contact us at the above address. Further information on how we use your personal data and your rights can be found in the RSPB's Privacy Policy at: rspb.org.uk/privacypolicy