

Birds

Insects

Butterflies

Wildflowers

Trees

i-c

My Charvil *Country* Park  
Wildlife Spotting Booklet

This book belongs to:

---

Age:

---

Date:

---

# Birds



**Blackbird**  
i-C  date.....



**Blackcap**  
i-C  date.....



**Black-headed Gull**  
i-C  date.....



**Blue Tit**  
i-C  date.....



**Bullfinch**  
i-C  date.....



**Canada Goose**  
i-C  date.....



**Cetti's Warbler**  
i-C  date.....



**Chaffinch**  
i-C  date.....



**Chiffchaff**  
i-C  date.....



**Coot**  
i-C  date.....



**Cormorant**  
i-C  date.....



**Dunnock**  
i-C  date.....

# Birds



**Egyptian Goose**  
i-C  date.....



**Gadwall**  
i-C  date.....



**Garden Warbler**  
i-C  date.....



**Goldfinch**  
i-C  date.....



**Great Crested Grebe**  
i-C  date.....



**Great Spotted Woodpecker**  
i-C  date.....



**Great Tit**  
i-C  date.....



**Green Woodpecker**  
i-C  date.....



**Greenfinch**  
i-C  date.....



**Grey Heron**  
i-C  date.....



**House Martin**  
i-C  date.....



**Jackdaw**  
i-C  date.....

# Birds



**Jay**  
i-C  date.....



**Kestrel**  
i-C  date.....



**Little Egret**  
i-C  date.....



**Long-tailed Tit**  
i-C  date.....



**Magpie**  
i-C  date.....



**Mallard**  
i-C  date.....



**Mute Swan**  
i-C  date.....



**Red Kite**  
i-C  date.....



**Redwing**  
i-C  date.....



**Robin**  
i-C  date.....



**Rook**  
i-C  date.....



**Shoveler**  
i-C  date.....

# Birds



**Song Thrush**  
i-C  date.....



**Stock Dove**  
i-C  date.....



**Swallow**  
i-C  date.....



**Swift**  
i-C  date.....



**Tufted Duck**  
i-C  date.....



**Whitethroat**  
i-C  date.....



**Wigeon**  
i-C  date.....



**Willow Warbler**  
i-C  date.....



**Woodpigeon**  
i-C  date.....



**Wren**  
i-C  date.....

## Butterfly species



**Brimstone**  
i-c  date.....



**Holly Blue**  
i-c  date.....



**Large White**  
i-c  date.....



**Peacock**  
i-c  date.....



**Orange Tip**  
i-c  date.....



**Red Admiral**  
i-c  date.....



**Small White**  
i-c  date.....



**Speckled Wood**  
i-c  date.....

## Insects



**Damsel fly**  
i-c  date.....



**Dragon fly**  
i-c  date.....



**Hoverfly**  
i-c  date.....

# Wild flowers



**Bird's foot trefoil**  
i-c  date.....



**Clover**  
i-c  date.....



**Dog rose**  
i-c  date.....



**Dove's foot cranesbill**  
i-c  date.....



**Forget me not**  
i-c  date.....



**Ox-eye daisy**  
i-c  date.....



**Wild tea rose pink**  
i-c  date.....



**Wild tea rose white**  
i-c  date.....



**Daisy**  
i-c  date.....



**Buttercup**  
i-c  date.....



**Dandelion**  
i-c  date.....



**Bullrushes**  
i-c  date.....

## Wild flowers



**Burdock**  
i-C  date.....



**Water lily**  
i-C  date.....



**Creeping thistle**  
i-C  date.....



**Himalayan balsam**  
i-C  date.....



**Winter thistle**  
i-C  date.....



**Bindweed**  
i-C  date.....



**Queen Anne lace**  
i-C  date.....



**Wild tea rose White**  
i-C  date.....

# Trees



**Apple blossom**  
i-C  date.....



**Ash**  
i-C  date.....



**Hawthorn**  
i-C  date.....



**Hazel**  
i-C  date.....



**May blossom**  
i-C  date.....



**Oak**  
i-C  date.....



**Willow**  
i-C  date.....



**Hazel**  
i-C  date.....



**Laurel**  
i-C  date.....



**Sycamore**  
i-C  date.....

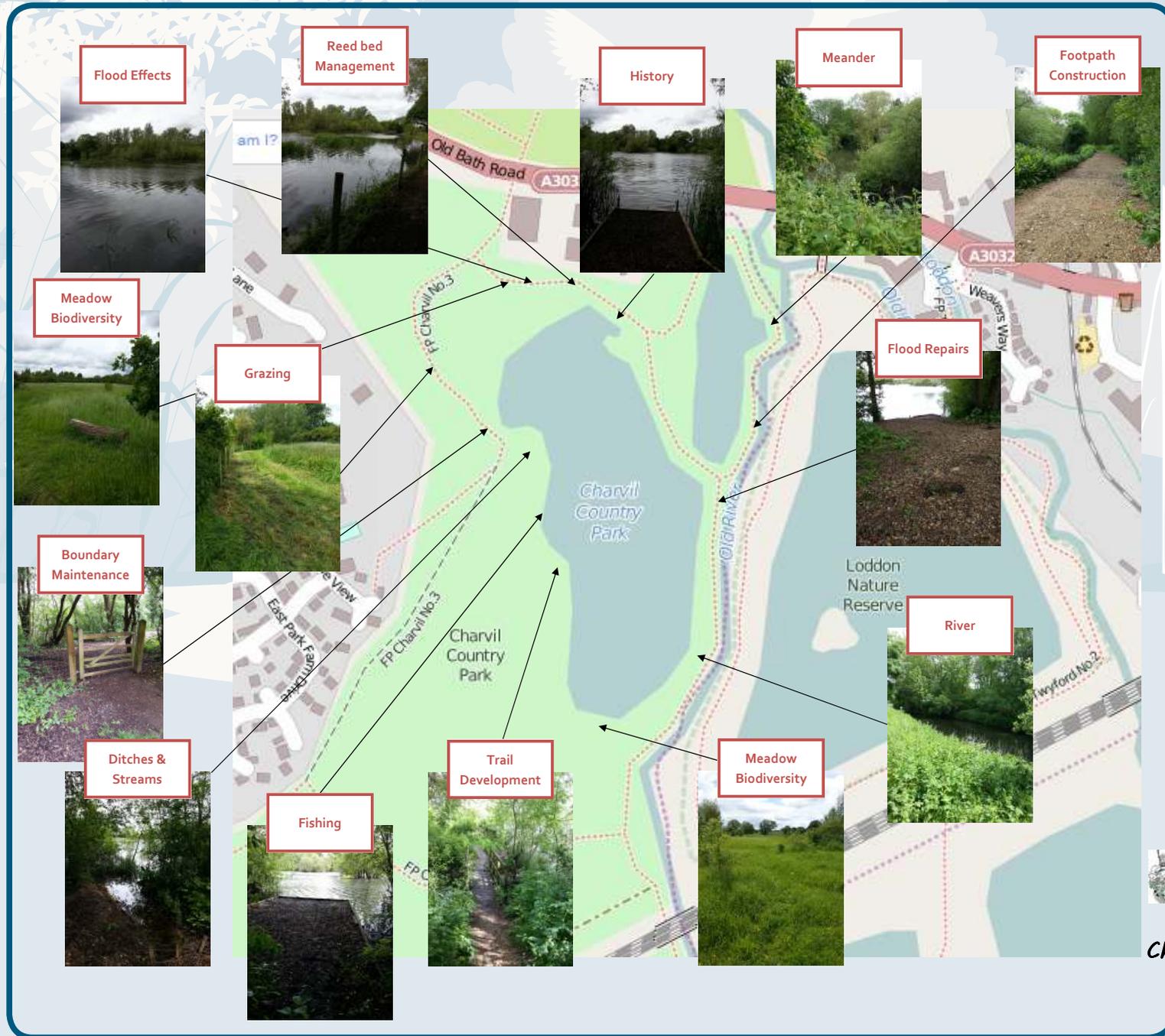


**Elder**  
i-C  date.....



**Beech**  
i-C  date.....

# Charvil Country Park Nature Trail



# Areas explained

## History



These lakes originate from gravel extraction in the 80's to supply aggregates for building and road construction such as the A329 and M4.

## Reed bed management



The Countryside Service has planted reed beds, to provide vital habitat for wildlife such as Warblers, Bitterns and harvest mice.

## Flood effects



Due to the proximity within the Loddon Flood Plain water levels fluctuate by up to 3 metres. This has a detrimental impact on nesting birds as well as access.

## Meadow biodiversity



Meadows provide a haven for grasses and flowers which then support butterflies, insects and small mammals. This supports the higher levels of the food chain.

## Grazing



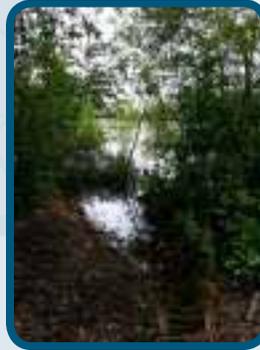
The grazing of cows reduces nutrient levels and increases competition and diversity within the plant community. Grazing is a traditional method for meadow management.

## Boundary maintenance



Fences are used to keep cattle within the meadows and predators away from nesting birds. This requires regular checks and maintenance.

## Ditches and streams



Streams and ditches are the ideal habitat for amphibians such as frogs and toads to spawn as well as refuge areas for small fish in flood conditions. The water is shallow and warm making it ideal for breeding.

## Fishing



Angling is encouraged by membership on the lake and river. Species fished for are Pike, Bream, Carp and Tench in the lake while Barbel, Chub and Perch are found in the river.

## Trails



A series of circular routes can be found around the lakes, river and meadows. An ideal location for walking, cycling, bird watching and exploring the surrounding countryside.

## River



The river Loddon runs from Basingstoke to the River Thames at Wargrave passing through the Country Park.

## Footpath construction



Paths are maintained within the main park ensuring easy access. Where possible paths are maintained as mown grass paths but in wetter areas surfaced paths are necessary.

## Meander



A meandering river provides a variety of different habitats. Deep holes, shallow areas, shaded and open sections all contribute to the variety of wildlife. Kingfishers can be seen darting up and down the river.

I can draw!



# Image Credits

## Blackbird

Andreas Eichler [CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Blackcap

[https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File%3ABlackcap\\_1a\\_\(6996063938\).jpg](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File%3ABlackcap_1a_(6996063938).jpg)

By Tony Hisgett from Birmingham, UK (Blackcap 1a) Uploaded by Magnus Manske [CC BY 2.0 (<http://www/licenses/by/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Blue Tit

© Francis C. Franklin / CC-BY-SA-3.0 [CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Bullfinch

© Francis C. Franklin / CC-BY-SA-3.0 [CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Canadian Geese

By Daniel Mayer (Own work) [GFDL (<http://www.gnu.org/copyleft/fdl.html>)], CC-BY-SA-3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>) or CC BY-SA 2.5-2.0-1.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/2.5-2.0-1.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Cetti's Warbler

By Charlesjsharp (Own work, from Sharp Photography, sharpphotography) [CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Chaffinch

By Self: Commons user MichaelMaggs (Self-photographed) [CC BY-SA 2.5 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/2.5/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Chiffchaff

By Munish Jauhar (Own work) [CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Cormorant

By Fred.leviez (Own work) [GFDL (<http://www.gnu.org/copyleft/fdl.html>)] or CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Gadwall

By Tony Hisgett from Birmingham, UK (Female Gadwall) Uploaded by Magnus Manske [CC BY 2.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Garden Warbler

By Ron Knight from Seaford, East Sussex, United Kingdom (Garden Warbler) [CC BY 2.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Goldfinch

By sighmanb (Goldfinch) [CC BY 2.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Great crested grebe

By Andreas Trepte (Own work) [CC BY-SA 2.5 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/2.5/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Great spotted woodpecker

By Francesco Veronesi from Italy (Great Spotted Woodpecker - Hungary) CS4E4197 [CC BY-SA 2.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Great tit

By Francis Franklin (Own work) [CC BY-SA 4.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/4.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Green woodpecker

By Thomas Kraft (ThKraft) (Own work) [CC BY-SA 2.5 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/2.5/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Greenfinch

By sighmanb (Greenfinch) [CC BY 2.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Grey heron

By JJ Harrison (jjharrison89@facebook.com) (Own work) [CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## House martin

By Ómar Runólfsson [CC BY 2.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Jackdaw

By Matthias Barby (Own work) [GFDL (<http://www.gnu.org/copyleft/fdl.html>)] or CC BY 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/3.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Jay

By Marek Szczepanek (Own work) [GFDL (<http://www.gnu.org/copyleft/fdl.html>)] or CC-BY-SA-3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Kestrel

By sigit pribadi [CC BY 2.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Little egret

By GDW.45 (Own work) [CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Long tailed tit

By Ron Knight (Flickr: Long-tailed Tit) [CC BY 2.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Mallard

By Vera Buhl (Own work) [CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)] or GFDL (<http://www.gnu.org/copyleft/fdl.html>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Mute swan

By Sanchezn (Own work) [GFDL (<http://www.gnu.org/copyleft/fdl.html>)] or CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## red kite

By Jacob Spinks from Northamptonshire, England (Red Kite) [CC BY 2.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Redwing

By nottsexminer (Redwing) Uploaded by Fæ [CC BY-SA 2.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Robin

By Ting Chen (Rotkehlchen) [CC BY 2.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Rook

By DickDaniels (<http://carolinabirds.org/>) (Own work) [CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)] or GFDL (<http://www.gnu.org/copyleft/fdl.html>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Shoveler

By Tony Hisgett from Birmingham, UK (Shoveler 2) Uploaded by tm [CC BY 2.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Song Thrush

Tony Wills [CC BY 2.5 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.5/>)] or CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Stock Dove

Mike Pennington [CC BY-SA 2.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Swallow

I, Malene [GFDL (<http://www.gnu.org/copyleft/fdl.html>)], CC-BY-SA-3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>) or CC BY 2.5 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.5/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Swift

By Paweł Kuźniar (Jojo\_1, Jojo) (Own work) [GFDL (<http://www.gnu.org/copyleft/fdl.html>)], CC-BY-SA-3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>) or CC BY-SA 2.5-2.0-1.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/2.5-2.0-1.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Tufted Duck

By Jacob Spinks from Northamptonshire, England (Tufted Duck) [CC BY 2.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Whitethroat

By Ron Knight (Flickr: Lesser Whitethroat) [CC BY 2.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Wigeon

By Tony Hisgett from Birmingham, UK (Chiloe Wigeon 2) Uploaded by tm [CC BY 2.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Willow Warbler

By Aviceda (Own work) [CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Orange tip

By Ravi Vaidyanathan (Own work) [CC BY-SA 2.5 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/2.5/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Peacock

By the\_girl (Nadia Prigoda) from Toronto, Canada (Flickr) [CC BY 2.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## red admiral

By Zeynel Cebeci (Own work) [CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Small White

By Alvesgaspar (Own work) [CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)] or GFDL (<http://www.gnu.org/copyleft/fdl.html>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Speckled Wood

Andreas Eichler [CC BY-SA 4.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/4.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Brimstone

By Charlesjsharp (Own work, from Sharp Photography, sharpphotography) [CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Holly blue

By Holger Gröschl (<http://www.naturspektrum.de/ns1.htm>) [CC BY-SA 2.0 de (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/2.0/de/deed.en>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Large white

By Zeynel Cebeci (Own work) [CC BY-SA 4.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/4.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Bullrushes

By Ardfern (Own work) [CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)] or GFDL (<http://www.gnu.org/copyleft/fdl.html>)], via Wikimedia Commons

## Dragon Fly

Renjithr at ml.wikipedia [CC BY-SA 3.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/3.0/>)], from Wikimedia Commons

## Damsel Fly

By Finchwake (Own work) [CC BY-SA 4.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/4.0/>)], via Wikimedia Commons