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**NBN Group Award 2025**

* **Do you know a group of people who are regularly recording wildlife and making a difference – increasing our understanding of nature in the UK?**
* **If you think they are deserving of recognition, why not nominate them for an NBN Group Award by answering just 4 simple questions?**
* **Anyone can make a nomination, and you can even nominate your own group!**
* **You have until Monday 21 April 2025 to submit your nomination.**
* **The NBN Award winners will be announced at the National Biodiversity Network Conference in November.**
* **Please help us to spread the word – use** #NBNawards25 **on social media, and direct others to:** bit.ly/NBNawards25 **for more information about all** seven **NBN Awards for Wildlife Recording 2025.**

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**National Biodiversity Network Trust**

We’re a small charity with a big plan – to make data work for nature. For more than 20 years we’ve been making wildlife data accessible, to support better decisions about the natural world and to connect people with nature.

We manage the [NBN Atlas](https://nbnatlas.org/), the UK’s largest repository of publicly available biodiversity data – holding well over 250 million records of 50,000 plus species – from ladybirds, red squirrels and toads through to rare lichen, fungi and endangered insects.

**NAME OF GROUP**:

Group’s email address:

Group’s phone number:

Group’s social media name/handle:

**REASONS FOR NOMINATION:**

Please describe the contribution of the group and reasons for nomination. The NBN Awards Committee can only make its decision based on the information you supply, so **please give as much detail as possible using the four headings below and the suggested prompts and examples**.

The NBN Awards Committee may ask for supplementary information to be supplied.

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| **Group Information** (300 words maximum)  **For example:**   * How long has the group been established and how many members does the group have? * How does the group recruit new members – from the local community or from the wider public? * Is any other group doing similar work locally or is this group unique?   **(Please note: We will score voluntary groups more highly than commercial organisations.)**  **Wildlife Records and Sharing Data** (300 words maximum)  **For example:**   * Are the group’s records filling gaps in knowledge of certain species or locations? * Which species do they record? * Are the group’s records being shared openly via iRecord, iSpot, iNaturalistUK or in some other way? * Are their records shared with a Local Environmental Record Centre, another organisation and/or via the NBN Atlas?   **Engagement and Training** (300 words maximum)  **For example:**   * Is the group increasing the range and diversity of people interested in nature? * Has the group encouraged others to record wildlife? * Is the group training others and increasing other people’s wildlife identification and recording skills?   **Impact and Influence** (300 words maximum)  **For example:**   * What impact has the group’s wildlife recording had locally or regionally? Perhaps saving a site or making a new space for nature? Or raising public awareness of particular species? * Are the group’s wildlife data being used in local plans, affecting decisions about conservation? Or contributing to scientific research? * Has the group developed new tools or resources, such as species identification guides or apps? |

**Note: you may attach supporting documents, if required. [5 maximum]**

**YOUR NAME:**

Your relationship to the Group:

Your email address:

Your phone number:

Your social media name/handle:

Please mark this box, if you would like to remain anonymous throughout the nomination

and Award process.

**And finally, please could you tell us where you heard about these NBN Awards?**

(Please mark all that apply)

NBN website  Network News  Facebook

Bluesky  LinkedIn  Wildlife group/organisation

Instagram  Through my job  Other

If other, please specify\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Please email this completed nomination form by Monday 21 April 2025 to**: [support@nbn.org.uk](mailto:support@nbn.org.uk)

Thank you for taking the time to make this nomination and celebrating the commitment of a group of people who record wildlife in the UK.

You can receive updates about the NBN Awards for Wildlife Recording 2025 by searching **#NBNawards25** on social media.