

SPRING 2026 RECORDERS' CONFERENCE AGENDA



Saturday 21st March

Cholsey Great Hall

10.00 WELCOME

Steve Wilkes, TVERC Director

10.10 TVERC IN ACTION

Jo Higson, Biological Recording Coordinator

10.25 WILDLIFE RECORDING IN A SMALL OXFORDSHIRE VILLAGE

John Lindley - South Stoke Wildlife & Conservation Group

10.55 OXFORDSHIRE LOCAL WILDLIFE SITES

Julie Kerans & Katherine Howell, TVERC Biodiversity Officers

11.05 BREAK

11.30 DEADWOOD INVERTEBRATE SPECIES DISTRIBUTION ANALYSIS

Sophie Williams, University of Oxford, TVERC Micro-Internship student

11.50 ROLE OF THE RECORDER IN A LOCAL COMMUNITY

Ruth Staples-Rolfe, Mend The Gap Programme Manager

MEND THE GAP WORKSHOPS

- *Signature Trees Project - Nicolette Bell from TVERC*
- *ARK River Fly Project - James Hubbard from ARK*
- *CEH/Springline Project - Tom August from CEH*

12.50 LUNCH

13.40 AN INTRODUCTION TO BINFIELD ENVIRONMENT GROUP AND ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY THROUGH SURVEYING

Mike Coker, Binfield Environment Group

14.20 WORKSHOPS

- *Bob Cowley, Track & Sign Trainer for UK Mammal Society "Tracks in the mud - Mammals & Birds"*
- *Peter Philip, Butterfly Conservation Upper Thames Branch "Recording Butterflies"*
- *Judy Webb, Local Ecologist "Planting for pollinators in your nature area, garden or allotment"*

15.30 BREAK

15.45 SPEED UPDATE SESSION

- *Fran Crowther, Bourne Yesterday's Development Manager, hosted by the Chilterns National Landscape "Not Bourne Yesterday Project Update"*
- *Brian Clews, Wild Cookham "Recording in the Cookhams"*
- *Iona McMillan, Citizen Science Coordinator from the Chilterns Chalk Streams Project hosted by the Chilterns National Landscape "Chalk Stream Citizen Science"*
- *John Melling BTO Regional Representative "Birds in Greenspaces and other BTO projects"*
- *Valerie Scatchard, East Vale and Abingdon Wilts & Berks Canal Trust*
- *Imogen Parker, Wild Oxfordshire "Wild Oxfordshire Community Ecology Team updates"*

16.25 CLOSE

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