

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

Steve Wilkes, TVERC Director