Species recording

A number of relatively widespread and easily identifiable species are listed on the form to provide further information about the site visited. Below is a list of UKBAP priority species that are associated with lakes and a brief description of their habitat requirements. These species have restricted distributions and are often trickier to identify. Further recording of these species would be beneficial and can be completed through <u>irecord</u>.

Scientific name	Common name	Туре	Habitat requirements
Bufo bufo	Common Toad	amphibian	Large water body; land habitat of dense ground vegetation/litter layer/crevices in ground (woodland, scrub and tall grassland).
Cygnus columbianus bewickii	Bewick's Swan (Tundra Swan)	bird	Extensive open wetlands and pools (10ha) with emergent vegetation; proximity to arable and pasture with short, grassy swards in an extensive open landscape, can utilise waste root crops (e.g. potatoes and sugar beet).
Anguilla anguilla	European Eel	fish	Unobstructed rivers (natural); links to wetlands; moderate water quality - for invertebrate prey.
Coregonus albula	Vendace	fish	High water quality, cool water, deep lakes, gravels for spawning
Coregonus lavaretus	Whitefish (Powan, Gwyniad or Schelly)	fish	High water quality, cool water, deep lakes, gravels for spawning
Lota lota	Burbot	fish	High water quality; cool, shallow water; gravel or sand; natural rivers - overhanging banks, cover etc.
Salmo trutta	Brown/Sea Trout	fish	High water quality; unobstructed natural systems; flow over gravel beds (no siltation); lower to upper reaches of river
Salvelinus alpinus	Arctic Charr	fish	High water quality, cool water, deep lakes, gravels for spawning
Lampetra fluviatilis	River Lamprey	fish	Moderate water quality; unobstructed natural systems - connectivity; lower and middle reaches; mosaic of substrates
Arvicola terrestris	Water Vole	mammal	Alongside water - still and running; emergent vegetation/reedbeds; banks to burrow into; prefers lack of seasonal inundation; no mink
Barbastella barbastellus	Barbastelle Bat	mammal	Buildings, trees and underground sites old woodland with plenty of dead trees; loose bark; crevices; glades and rides; hunts over water; well-structured woodland with complex understorey

Lutra lutra	Otter	mammal	Still and running water from coastal to upland; high water quality; water and wetland veg; refugia.
Myotis bechsteinii	Bechstein`s Bat	mammal	Hunts within closed canopy woodland and above woodland streams; roosts in holes and cracks in old trees (e.g. old woodpecker holes)
Nyctalus noctula	Noctule	mammal	Mature/old trees –predominately roosts in tree cavities (also known to roost in buildings); forages above canopy and over water and pasture
Pipistrellus pygmaeus	Soprano Pipistrelle	mammal	Generalist - preference for riparian habitats near water; buildings important for roosting; good vegetation linkages for commuting between roosts and foraging grounds
Rhinolophus hipposideros	Lesser Horseshoe Bat	mammal	Roosts in a variety of buildings and underground sites including caves; buildings (often undisturbed and disused),; mines; forages in woodland edge, scrub, along hedgerows and tree lines, riparian habitat
Natrix natrix	Grass Snake	reptile	Mobile; not site restricted; egg-laying sites - decomposing veg - muck heaps; hay; sawdust etc.; crevice in warm spot - flood refuse; fish & amphibians for prey; semi-natural areas; non-intensive - untidy margins
Alisma gramineum	Ribbon-leaved Water-plantain	vascular plant	Shallow, eutrophic water, water edge, aquatic (reproduction); bare mud
Blysmus compressus	Flat-sedge	vascular plant	Sedge-rich fen, short (no scrub); damp soils; unimproved; calcareous/mineral rich; flushing.
Calamagrostis stricta	Narrow Small-reed	vascular plant	Neutral mires; neutral lake margins; stable water levels?
Corrigiola litoralis	Strapwort	vascular plant	Gravel/shingle/mud with surface veneer of fine gravel; wet;
Luronium natans	Floating Water Plantain	vascular plant	Still or slow flowing meso-to- oligotrophic waters; aquatic and bare mud exposed
Najas flexilis	Slender Naiad	vascular plant	Silty substrate; Still water; open water 1.5m deep; mesotrophic, high water quality; clear
Najas marina	Holly-leaved Naiad	vascular plant	Clear; mesotrophic; still water; lack of disturbance; nutrient poor 0.5 to 1.5m depth
Oenanthe fistulosa	Tubular Water- dropwort	vascular plant	Seasonal flooding; open areas; unimproved
Potamogeton compressus	Grass-wrack Pondweed	vascular plant	Moderately base-rich; mesotrophic; still/slow flowing
Sium latifolium	Greater Water Parsnip	vascular plant	Herb-rich fen; permanently wet; still/slow moving; open (not shade tolerant); base-rich
Bracteon argenteolum	Silt Silver-spot	beetle	Wetland edge on bare sand

Donacia aquatica	Zircon Reed Beetle	beetle	On stands of Carex acutiformis; water's edge
Austropotamobi us pallipes	White-clawed crayfish	crustacean	Clean water with plenty of refuges in the form of tree roots, rocks and stones. Stable banks not poached by cattle
Bryum cyclophyllum	Round-leaved Bryum	bryophyte	Moist, bare, sandy mud; drawdown zone of large lakes
Ephemerum cohaerens	Clustered earth- moss	bryophyte	Drawdown in cracked mud
Micromitrium tenerum	Millimetre Moss	bryophyte	Exposed mud; bare ground
Chara baltica	Baltic Stonewort	stonewort	Still water (can be in deep water); high water quality; aquatic; brackish influence
Chara connivens	Convergent Stonewort	stonewort	Often coastal; high water quality; aquatic; early succession - bare areas; calcareous water; lack of turbulent conditions
Chara intermedia	Intermediate Stonewort	stonewort	Permanent still water; high water quality; calcareous water; firm substrate; early succession - bare areas; lack of competition
Nitellopsis obtusa	Starry Stonewort	stonewort	Still water (can be in deep water); high water quality; alkaline water; early succession; lack of wave disturbance; tolerant of low light levels
Endocarpon adscendens	A lichen	lichen	Often encrusting mosses, periodically inundated acidic rocks; nutrient poor
Lecanora achariana	Tarn lechanora	lichen	Upland bird-perching rocks; edges of tarns and streams - crucial - humidity
Phaeophyscia endococcina	A lichen	lichen	Nutrient rich bird perches, boulders etc. in and around upland lakes shores/streams