

Action Plan Objective s & Targets	Act-ions	2007 Target trend & progress (Graham Harrison)	2007 Plan trend & progress (Graham Harrison)	2008 Target trend and progress	2008 Plan trend & progress:
A. To maintain population size of grey partridge, skylark, tree sparrow and corn bunting. 2008	PL1 PL2 SM1 SM2 A1 A2 A3 A4 A5 RM1 RM2 RM3 RM4 CP1	<p>◄→ Some progress (behind schedule)</p> <p>Target probably achieved for <i>skylark</i>, with declines halted and some increases.</p> <p><i>Tree sparrow</i> populations probably stabilised too but <i>grey partridge</i> still in decline.</p> <p><i>Corn bunting</i> probably still in decline too, but more are being reported in winter.</p>	<p>◄→</p> <p>Progress is probably neutral overall.</p> <p>Some targets are likely to be achieved but others will almost certainly be missed.</p> <p>Real concern for the future of the <i>grey partridge</i>.</p>	<p>◄→ Some progress (behind schedule)</p> <p>Target achieved for <i>skylark</i>, with the number of breeding pairs increased from 6000 to 7000, and <i>tree sparrow</i> with the population stabilised at 650 pairs.</p> <p>However, <i>grey partridge</i> has declined, from 300 to 200 pairs, and <i>corn bunting</i> from 200 to 80 pairs.</p>	<p>◄→</p> <p>Progress still neutral overall.</p> <p>Concern remains for the <i>grey partridge</i> and also now for the <i>corn bunting</i>.</p>
B. To maintain the 2002 range and, where possible, increase the range and population size of grey partridge and skylark 2010	A1 CP1 CP2	<p>◄→ Some progress (behind schedule)</p> <p>Target achieved for <i>skylark</i> at least in respect of range. Data on density too sparse to draw conclusions but some local increase.</p> <p>Target missed for <i>grey partridge</i> – declines continue and species is more likely to be extinct by 2010 than have recovered!</p>	<p>◄→</p> <p>The imminent loss of set-aside could have implications.</p>	<p>◄→ Some progress (behind schedule)</p> <p>Being undertaken by various partners but principally by RSPB and NE through the ESS.</p> <p>BBS coverage is improving but still short of being ideal. BTO rep (Mark Smith) is working to improve the situation. Local atlas discontinued through lack of support. South of county fairly complete but patchy elsewhere. Most data of completed squares now with RSPB Midland office. Tetrad maps being converted to 5x5km square maps for new book.</p>	

<p>C. To increase the range of corn bunting and tree sparrow from that of 1996 2008</p>	<p>SM2 A1 RM4</p>	<p>↓ Some progress (behind schedule)</p> <p>Target not achieved overall.</p> <p>Some successes in range expansion due to actions of FWAG, DEFRA and RSPB, but further contractions elsewhere.</p> <p>Important populations of tree sparrows in Feldon.</p>		<p>↓ Some progress (behind schedule)</p> <p>Target still not achieved overall.</p> <p>Being undertaken by various partners but principally by RSPB and NE through the ESS.</p> <p>BBS coverage is improving but still short of being ideal. BTO rep (Mark Smith) is working to improve the situation. Local atlas discontinued through lack of support. South of county fairly complete but patchy elsewhere. Most data of completed squares now with RSPB Midland office. Tetrad maps being converted to 5x5km square maps for new book.</p>	
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