

## MAMMALIA. (Mammals)

### Domestic mammals.

These include local **cats, dogs** and occasional **horses, ponies** and **goats**.  
Since 1970's grazing all but stopped. At present there are no grazing animals.

### INSECTIVORA (Insectivores).

**Hedgehog.** *Erinaceus europaeus* Linnaeus, 1758

Probably more frequent than sightings suggest.

**Mole.** *Talpa europaea* Linnaeus, 1758

06/68 One buried in three days by Necrophorus beetles. Mole hills present.

**Common Shrew.** *Sorex araneus* Linnaeus, 1758

02/06/84 Family (7) 5 young playing 'tag'. Generally found as dead specimens.

**Pigmy Shrew.** *Sorex minutus* Linnaeus, 1776

No recent records.

**Water Shrew.** *Neomys fodiens* (Pennant, 1771)

02/08/02 one seen attacking frog. Last sighting 2009.

### CHIROPTERA (Bats).

**Noctule Bat.** *Nyctalus noctula* (Schreber, 1774)

Last sighting 2013 also 'Anabat' recording, 06/10.

**Pipistrelle.** *Pipistrellus* spp.

Still common.

(Recent taxonomic changes has split the Pipistrelle into two species,

Common *P. pipistrellus* (Schreber, 1774) and Soprano *P. pygmaeus* .

For a determination to species level a bat detector is required.

**Daubenton's Bat.**

Anabat recording.

**Brown Long-eared B** *Plecotus auritus* Linnaeus, 1758

One found dead 1992.

### LAGOMORPHA (Rabb

**Rabbit.** *Oryctolagus cuniculus* (Linnaeus, 1758)

No myxomatosis in recent years. Black variety persists.

**Brown Hare.** *Lepus capensis* Pallas, 1778

Single record 2010 - first seen since 1986.

### RODENTIA (Rodents).

**Grey Squirrel.** *Sciurus carolinensis* Gmelin, 1788

Seen most months of the year and probably resident in wooded parts.

**Field Vole.** *Microtus agrestis* (Linnaeus, 1761)

Common. Numbers appear to fluctuate as regard sightings.

**Bank Vole.** *Myodes glareolus* (Schreber, 1780)

Single record, 27/01/10.

**Water Vole.** *Arvicola terrestris* (Linnaeus, 1758)

Generally sightings are in and around Newt Pond (A). Last record 2004.

**[Harvest Mouse.]** *Micromys minutus* (Pallas, 1771)

Pregnant female caught by cat, possibly from Common. Released on Common.

**Wood Mouse.** *Apodemus sylvaticus* Linnaeus, 1758

Family of 7 observed, 30/05/67. Not usually seen but expected to be resident.

**[House Mouse.]** *Mus musculus* Linnaeus, 1758

20 trapped from an aviary were released, 1997.

**Brown Rat.** *Rattus norvegicus* (Berkenhout, 1769)

Generally seen in winter months.

### CARNIVORA (Carnivores).

**Red Fox.** *Vulpes vulpes* Linnaeus, 1758

Common. Has bred.

**Badger.** *Meles meles* (Linnaeus, 1758)

Evidence of presence from hair tuft 21/08/13. Destroyed wasp's nest, 02/09/13.

**Otter.** *Lutra lutra* (Linnaeus, 1758)

One found dead 23/01/14.

**Stoat.** *Mustela erminea* Linnaeus, 1758

21/06/67 Adult/four young feeding on rabbit. Possibly resident but not often seen.

**Weasel.** *Mustela nivalis* Linnaeus, 1766

Probably more frequent than sightings suggest.

2002 record was of one swimming in Newt Pond (A), probably attracted by moorhens.

### ARTIODACTYLA (Even-toed ungulates).

**Roe Deer.** *Capreolus capreolus* (Linnaeus, 1758)

Increasingly common. Fawn reported 22/07/10.

**Reeve's Muntjac.** *Muntiacus reevesi* (Ogilby, 1839)

First recorded 1989.

Increasing and seen throughout the SSSI most months of the year