

Species assigned to Category E, F and G

Related documents:

- **Creating the list of proposed Species Priorities for the Worcestershire LNRS**
- **Species that will benefit from Habitat Potential Measures (Category A Species)**
- **Species that require bespoke Potential Measures (Prioritised Category B, C and D Species)**
- **Category B-D Species Assessment and Scoring Matrix**

Introduction

Following Defra guidance, species on the longlist for consideration as conservation priorities in Worcestershire were assessed and assigned to one of seven categories:

Category	Description	Outcome
Category A	Needs more / bigger / better-connected habitat	Do not require prioritisation for LNRS measures
Category B	Needs targeted habitat management	Suitable for consideration for LNRS measures
Category C	Needs improvements in environmental quality	Suitable for consideration for LNRS measures
Category D	Needs bespoke conservation action(s)	Suitable for consideration for LNRS measures
Category E	Needs better evidence base / on-the-ground action is not a priority	Unsuitable for consideration for LNRS measures
Category F	Needs action outside England	Unsuitable for consideration for LNRS measures
Category G	Vagrants / occasional visitors	Unsuitable for consideration for LNRS measures

The table below presents those species from the longlist which were assigned by species experts to 'Category E', 'Category F' or 'Category G'. These species were not shortlisted as priorities for the Worcestershire LNRS.

Species	Category	Reason
Brown Shield Moss	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
Heath Pearlwort	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
Cornfield Knotgrass	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
Lesser Meadow-rue	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
Round-leaved Crowfoot	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
Shining Guest Ant	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
<i>Axinotarsus pulicarius</i>	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
Common Whirlygig Beetle	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
Picture Winged Fly	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
English Assassin Fly (Borders Dance Fly)	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
A Fungus-gnat (Giant Wood-gnat)	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
Ghost Moth	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
Pale Eggar	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
<i>Agabus uliginosus</i>	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
Alcathoe Bat	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
Nathusius' Pipistrelle	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
Polecat	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
Weasel	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
Stoat	E	Needs better evidence / on-the-ground action is not a priority
Set-aside Downy-back	G	Vagrant / occasional visitor
Swallowtail	G	Vagrant / occasional visitor
Wheatear	G	Vagrant / occasional visitor
Osprey	G	Vagrant / occasional visitor
Willow Tit		No category assigned as now presumed extinct in Worcestershire
Tree Sparrow		No category assigned as now presumed extinct in Worcestershire