

# Interested in Wildlife and the Environment?



## *The Biodiversity Information System for Cheshire, Halton, Warrington and Wirral*

Cheshire has been chosen as the English pilot location for a national project that aims to create a database of wildlife information. Currently, there is no biological record centre for the Cheshire region. Important wildlife information is held in a variety of places, but it makes more sense for all biological records to be held at one location. This will allow earlier identification and protection of endangered species, and for planning decisions to be based on more accurate, up-to-date information about the local environment.

Wildlife organisations will provide much of the biological information, but the majority will be provided by individual members of the public, ensuring a community-based project in which everyone can be involved.

**RECORD** aim to collate all terrestrial, freshwater and marine records, from Cheshire, Halton, Warrington and the Wirral, and the old Vice-County boundary covering most of Trafford, Stockport and Tameside.

### *How you can help*

If you, or your society, collect biological records you can help to protect our natural heritage by passing your information on. **RECORD** is now open and would be pleased to receive any information about plants or animals you might have seen/recorded. Observations might come from trips to the countryside or simply from your own backyard. No matter how trivial you think the record is, it is useful to us. The basic facts we need to know are:

- Your Name, Address and Telephone number
- Species Name
- Site where the observation was made
- OS Grid Reference for the Site (if you don't know how to do this we can help, give us a ring)
- Date of Observation (e.g. 13/12/1998)

Records can be sent to the centre for inputting to the database via paper records, computerised records via email, record forms via our website, etc. If you would like to help **RECORD** further, e.g. by learning to become a recorder, assisting us in our future Chester Zoo office, or in any other way, please contact us at our temporary address:

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