

Survey Timetable

Species/Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Extended phase 1	Sub-optimal			Optimal survey time						Sub-optimal		
NVC	Survey not possible			Woodland NVC		All other habitats NVC					Survey not possible	
Badgers	Sett surveys	Bait marking and sett surveys			Sett surveys			Sett surveys			Sett surveys	
Bats	Hibernation roost inspection			Low activity	Summer roost emergence and activity surveys					Low activity	Hibernation roosts	
	Internal and external inspection of potential roost sites in buildings and trees											
Birds	Winter birds		Migrant/ Breeding birds		Breeding birds		Low activity		Passage migrants		Winter birds	
Dormouse	Nut search			Nest tube survey (Apr-Sept). Nut search (Sept)						Nut search		
Great crested newts	H.S.I only		Pond Survey (min 2/3 surveys between mid-April and mid-May) and eDNA surveys from mid-April to end June			Larval surveys only		H.S.I only.				
Otters	Limited by weather and vegetation cover, which can limit finding of tracks and signs											
Reptiles	Hibernation		Low activity	Artificial basking tile survey			Reduced basking		Tile Survey	Low activity	Hibernation	
Water voles	Reduced activity		Field signs most prevalent in September								Reduced activity	
White-clawed crayfish	Reduced activity			Search, Trap, Torch	Breeding season - torchlight only		Hand search, trapping, torchlight				Reduced activity	
Invertebrates	Reduced activity			Optimal survey period for most invertebrate groups						Reduced activity		

Optimal survey period



Sub-optimal survey period



Survey not possible





Mitigation Timetable

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Habitat Creation	Tree and shrub planting	Planting, seeding and translocation			Avoid			Planting, seeding and translocation			Tree and shrub planting	
Badgers	Breeding season- No sett closure or disturbance						Sett closure under licence					
Bats	Hibernation- no closure of hibernation roost		Optimal period- roost closure		Breeding- no closure of maternity roost				Optimal roost closure	Hibernation- no closure of hibernation roost		
Birds	Vegetation Clearance		Breeding - Avoid clearance of undertake preclearance checks					Vegetation clearance				
Dormice	Hibernation- no clearance			Vegetation clearance		Breeding season- no clearance			Clearance	Hibernation		
GCN	Hibernation- no mitigation		Trapping, translocation, hand searching and destructive search							Hibernation- no mitigation		
Otters	Optimal mitigation period is site specific and can be constrained by habitat or where there is breeding activity											
Reptiles	Hibernation		Trapping, translocation, hand searching and destructive search							Hibernation		
Water voles	Trapping/exclusion				Breeding- No mitigation				Trapping/exclusion			

Indicative Mitigation Timing

