



The Bumblebee Recording Scheme

The UK had 25 species of bumblebee. Two have gone extinct, and several more may follow soon if we do not act to save them. The Bumblebee Conservation Trust (BBCT) was set up to do just this in 2006, and now has 5,500 members across the UK. BBCT are now seeking enthusiastic volunteers to become Bumblebee Recorders. All they have to do is take their favourite walk once per month during the spring and summer, recording how many and what types of bumblebees they see. Equipment and training will be provided!

To encourage people to get involved, new recorders are being offered a kit worth over £50 to get them started, including: a bumblebee net; bumblebee viewing pots; identification guide; and a bumblebee book. BBCT would like to thank a donation from **the Naturesave Trust** which has made this possible!

Over time, this project will provide much-needed information on which species are declining most, and hence which are most in need of help.

To find out more about the Bumblebee Conservation Trust, our work, and how you can help the plight of the bumblebee, visit our website at www.bumblebeeconservation.org.uk

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