

# East Midlands Woodland Bird Project

Help declining woodland bird species  
in the East Midlands region

## Grants

The Forestry Commission East Midlands Region is offering financial support to landowners and managers to improve the habitat for sixteen vulnerable species.

The grants are being offered under the Forestry Commission's English Woodland Grant Scheme, which is supported by European Union and Defra funding.

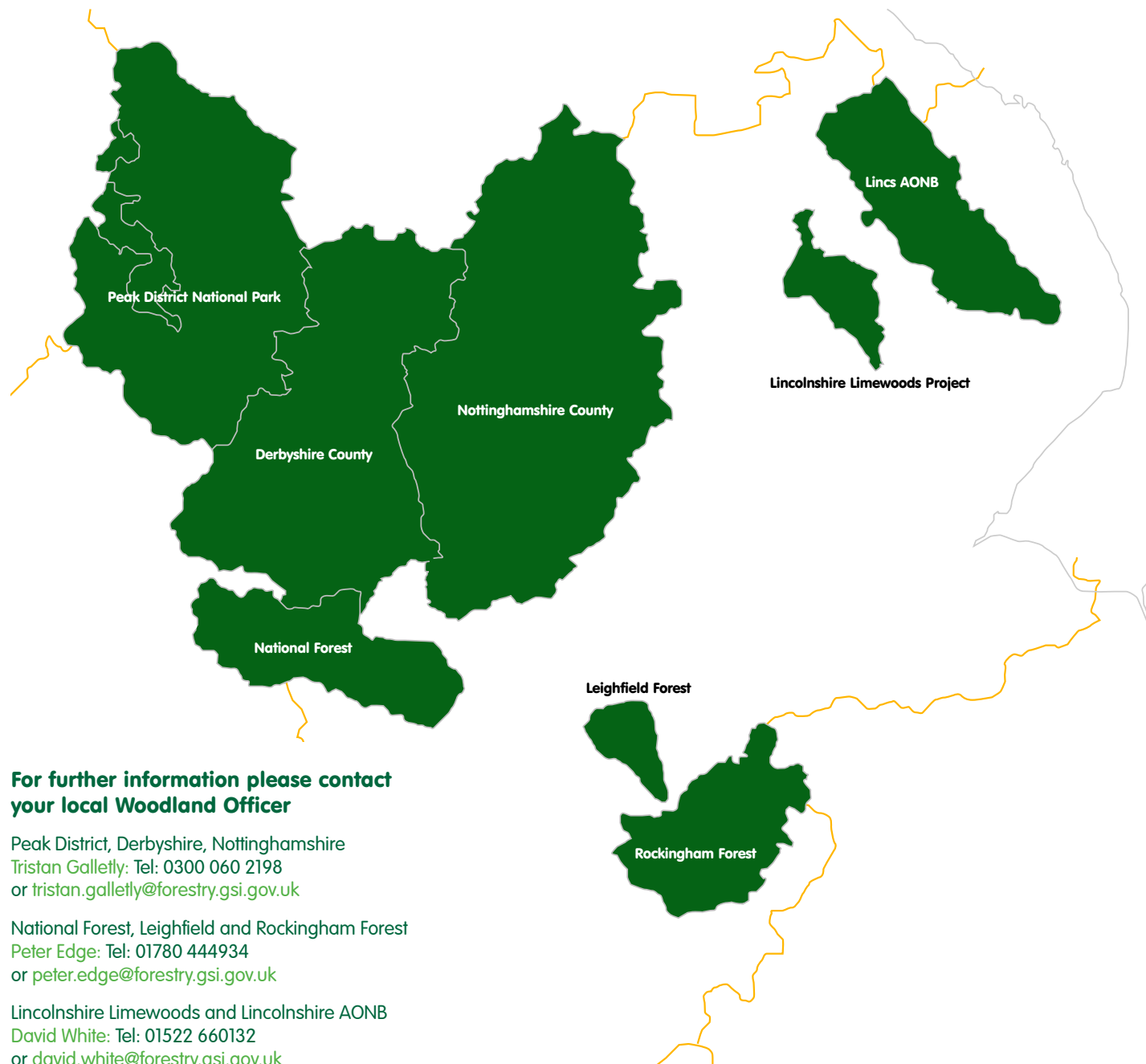
Measures which could be funded under the new scheme will include preserving dead trees to provide natural nest sites, thinning, coppicing, controlling grazing levels, creating glades and scrubby areas and creation of new woodland. Monitoring of the target bird species will take place to assess the level of habitat improvement through woodland management and its effect on bird populations.

Underpinning this initiative is the Bird Conservation Targeting Project, an ambitious mapping project involving the Forestry Commission, RSPB, British Trust for Ornithology (BTO) and Natural England.

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Work with us to secure the future of some of our most threatened birds



Tree Pipit



Willow Tit



Wood Warbler



Pied Flycatcher



Redstart



Spotted Flycatcher



Lesser Redpoll



Lesser Spotted Woodpecker



Marsh Tit



Woodcock



Willow Warbler



Woodlark



Garden Warbler



Hawfinch



Nightjar



Firecrest



- Woodland bird populations have fallen by 20% among 33 species in the last 25 years.

- Wild birds are considered a good indicator of the general state of health of our wildlife and the countryside.

- Lesser Spotted Woodpecker, Spotted Flycatcher and Willow Tit have declined by over 50% since the early 1980s.

- It is thought that much of the decline is due to changes in the structure of our woodlands, such as the age and diversity of tree species, and long-term lack of management.

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