

## **OGSTON MONTHLY SIGHTINGS REPORT - JUNE 2015 (Up to and including 28<sup>th</sup> June.**

**The Saturday Morning Bird Walk** on the 6<sup>th</sup> June was led by Paul Beard and attracted 14 members who walked in sunny but windy conditions along the West Bank to the River Amber. A total of 50 species were seen by the group as a whole.

### **Highlights of the month :**

An American Kestrel was seen on the 20<sup>th</sup>, 2 Black Tailed Godwits was seen on the 2<sup>nd</sup> ; Common Sandpiper was recorded on 13<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> & 27, a Cuckoo was reported on the 15<sup>th</sup> and heard distantly on the 19<sup>th</sup>, Curlews were spotted on a number of occasions with a high of 6 on the 25<sup>th</sup>, a Goshawk was sighted on the 16<sup>th</sup> and a Greenshank on the 20<sup>th</sup>, a Hobby was flying around on 11<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> and a Kingfisher made several appearances, a Little Egret appeared on the 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 26-28<sup>th</sup>. An Osprey was observed fishing on 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>. One or two Red Kites were seen on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>, with a Redshank on 9<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>. Spotted Flycatcher on 27<sup>th</sup>. One or two Whitethroats were present on 7 occasions. The Willow Tit made a welcome return, being seen on the 21<sup>st</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>.

### **A total of 83 species were recorded up to 28<sup>th</sup> June 2015, as follows :-**

American Kestrel, Barnacle Goose, Black Headed Gull ; Black Tailed Godwit ; Blackbird ; Blackcap ; Blue Tit ; Bullfinch ; Buzzard ; Canada Geese ; Carrion Crow ; Chaffinch ; Chiffchaff ; Coal Tit ; Common Gull ; Common Sandpiper ; Common Tern ; Coot ; Cormorant ; Cuckoo ; Curlew ; Dunnock ; Gadwall ; Goldfinch ; Goshawk ; Great Crested Grebe ; Great Spotted Woodpecker ; Great Tit ; Greenfinch ; Greenshank ; Grey Heron ; Grey Wagtail ; Greylag Geese ; Herring Gull ; Hobby ; House Martin ; House Sparrow ; Jackdaw ; Kestrel ; Kingfisher ; Lapwing ; Lesser Black Backed Gull ; Little Grebe ; Little Egret ; Little Ringed Plover ; Long Tailed Tit ; Magpie ; Mallard ; Mandarin ; Mistle Thrush ; Moorhen ; Mute Swan ; Nuthatch ; Osprey ; Oystercatcher ; Pied Wagtail ; Pochard ; Raven

; Red Kite ; Redshank ; Reed Buntings ; Reed Warbler ; Ringed Plover ; Robin ; Sand Martin ; Shoveler ; Siskin ; Skylark ; Song Thrush ; Sparrowhawk ; Spotted Flycatcher ; Stock Dove ; Swallow ; Swift ; Teal ; Tufted Ducks ; Whitethroat ; Willow Tit ; Willow Warbler ; Woodpigeon ; Wren ; Yellow Legged Gull ; Yellowhammer.

**A total of 135 species have been recorded in 2015 so far.**