

# Cheriton Treehouse

## Report on results of biodiversity

Cheriton Treehouse - the local wildlife...

The semi-natural, ancient woodland surrounding the treehouse is dominated by beech, oak, ash and lime trees. The woods are home to a wide variety of wildlife, from fallow deer, badgers, squirrels and foxes to woodpeckers, starling, song thrush, hawfinch, wood warblers, nuthatches and treecreepers. There are also frequent sightings of Greater Spotted Woodpeckers and Nuthatch. Spring is a particularly good time to walk in the nearby woods to see the bluebells and wild garlic.

The following link is Somerset's Ecological Networks Report 2019.

‘As part of their efforts to tackle the on-going biodiversity decline in England, the coalition Government instituted reforms to the planning system which seek to embed ecological sustainability into the strategic planning and development management processes. Substantive changes have been made to the requirements placed on Local Planning Authorities to plan for nature through the National Planning Policy Framework, which mandates Local Planning Authorities to plan strategically for nature, identifying and mapping ecological networks to deliver the protection, enhancement and maintenance of biodiversity’.

<https://www.somersetwildlife.org/sites/default/files/2019-10/Somerset%20Ecological%20Networks%20Report%202020.pdf>