Bat Conservation Trust



Help us to protect our bats

Thank you for contacting the Bat Conservation Trust regarding bats in your area. We have 18 species of bat that are present in the United Kingdom, all of which are protected by law. Bat populations in the UK have declined dramatically over the past century due to persecution and habitat loss.



Natural England funds us to advise people with regards to the protection of bats and bat roosts, including situations where bats may be threatened by development. However, as a small conservation charity, many of our other projects rely on donations from members of the public who want to help us protect these fascinating animals.

Projects in urgent need of your support include:

- Making sure any bats are identified and taken into account before it's too late at a proposed development site by setting and maintaining professional standards for ecological consultants.
- Investigating potential crimes against bats, our Investigations Officer regularly liaises with police regarding cases where we suspect bat crime may have occurred, with your support we can provide information to Crown Prosecution Service on the impacts of bat crime.
- Making sure decision makers consider bats by inputting into government policy on the environment. We successfully lobbied for further research into the effect of wind turbines have on bats in the UK and now we need your help to in planning policy, transport policy and across government.
- Ensuring suitable habitat is provided for bats. Our conservation team work with diverse groups, from landowners and foresters to builders and architects to maximise the potential for bats in the built environment and woodland habitats

You can support our work at the Bat Conservation Trust by text donation. Simply text BATS07 $\pounds(1,2,3,4,5 \text{ or } 10)$ to 70070 from your mobile phone. You can also donate online at www.justgiving.com/bats/Donate or return the form overleaf to us.

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Please return your form to: Bat Conservation Trust, 5^{th} floor, Quadrant House, 250 Kennington Lane, London, SE11 5RD