

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request 799/19 - Wildlife offences

**WILDLIFE & COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981**

<b>Date reported :</b>	<b>Location:</b>	<b>Species:</b>	<b>Details:</b>
18/04/2018	Sunderland	Seagull	Seagull chicks removed from nest by builders
24/04/2018	Newcastle upon Tyne	Swan	Stones thrown at nesting swans
26/04/2018	Newcastle upon Tyne	Magpie	Tree containing active magpie nest felled
09/05/2018	Hexham, Northumberland	Curlew	Curlew found shot
10/07/2018	South Tyneside	Seagull	Two seagulls taken to vet with injuries from having been shot
14/07/2018	Wooler, Northumberland	Merlin Falcon	Bird of prey caught in badly sett rail trap
16/07/2018	Prudhoe, Northumberland	House Marten	Active nest removed by builders
29/07/2019	Wallsend	Pigeon	Pigeon shot in street
31/07/2019	Wallsend	Pigeon	Pigeon shot in street
02/08/2019	Newcastle upon Tyne	Pigeon	Pigeon shot in street
03/08/2018	Bedlington, Northumberland	Pigeon	Pigeon shot in garden
07/08/2019	Whickham, Gateshead	Swan	Swan pulled by neck from pond
07/08/2019	Sunderland	Swan	Cygnets deliberately injured
14/08/2018	Sunderland	Pigeon	Pigeon shot by air weapon
24/09/2018	Birtley, Gateshead	Collared dove	Doves found to have been shot by air weapon
22/10/2018	Sunderland	Pigeon	Pigeon kicked
25/01/2019	Newcastle upon Tyne	Kestrel	Dead kestrels found strung up
06/03/2019	Newcastle upon Tyne	Swan	Swan found with deliberate injury caused to eye
27/03/2019	Berwick, Northumberland	Barn & tawny owl	Two owls found hanging on gate.

**PROTECTION OF BADGERS ACT 1992**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Location:</b>	<b>Species:</b>	<b>Details:</b>
24/04/2018	Heddon on the Wall, Northumberland	Badger	Blocked sett found.
18/05/2018	Prudhoe, Northumberland	Badger	Sett with signs of interference by digging at some time in the past
21/06/2018	Prudhoe, Northumberland	Badger	Dead badger at location of a sett.
18/08/2018	Belsay, Northumberland	Badger	Lights and suspicious activity at night, area searched; dead badger found following day
18/08/2018	Carterway Heads, Northumberland	Badger	Disturbed badger sett reported, visit revealed that interference by digging had occurred some time previously
12/03/2019	Newcastle upon Tyne	Badger	Males digging badger sett; left before police arrival. Sett interference confirmed.
13/03/2019	Newcastle upon Tyne	Badger	Badger setts interfered with overnight; linked to earlier report, interference by digging confirmed.

**DEER ACT 1991**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Location:</b>	<b>Species:</b>	<b>Details:</b>
13/04/2018	North Tyneside	Deer	Dismembered deer carcass found.
06/05/2018	Hexham, Northumberland	Deer	Dismembered deer carcass found.
07/05/2018	Hexham, Northumberland	Deer	Further to previous incident another deer carcass found
14/05/2018	Newcastle upon Tyne	Deer	Dead stag found wounds suggest involvement of dogs
26/05/2018	Gateshead	Deer	Dismembered deer carcass found
05/09/2018	Gateshead	Deer	Bag containing deer body parts found
08/09/2018	Wooler, Northumberland	Deer	Two dead deer found hanging on gate
30/09/2018	South Tyneside	Deer	Mutilated deer carcass found

16/10/2018	Milfield, Northumberland	Deer	Dead deer found that had been attacked by dogs
30/10/2018	Belsay, Northumberland	Deer	Deer remains found
18/11/2018	Dalton, Northumberland	Deer	Deer carcass found
20/11/2018	Ponteland, Northumberland	Deer	Remains of deer found
29/01/2019	Gateshead	Deer	Male seen poaching deer and subsequently arrested
07/03/2019	Cramlington, Northumberland	Deer	Poachers chased by landowner from field, dead deer found
19/03/2019	Cornhill, Northumberland	Deer	Deer shot overnight
21/03/2019	North Tyneside	Deer	Deer remains found

#### **HABITATS REGS 2017**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Location:</b>	<b>Species:</b>	<b>Details:</b>
23/07/2018	Seahouses, Northumberland	Bat	Roost entrance blocked by roofing work
07/02/2019	Cramlington, Northumberland	Great crested newt	GCN disturbed in habitat, while drainage work being carried out