

WILD BIRD (ENGLAND).

The Wild Birds Protection (County Borough of Hastings) Order, 1898.

Dated February 24, 1898.

IN pursuance of the powers conferred on me by the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1896, and for special reasons which have been placed before me in an application from the Council of the County Borough of Hastings, I hereby make the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Wild Birds Protection (County Borough of Hastings) Order, 1898.

2. The time during which the taking or killing of Wild Birds is prohibited within the County Borough of Hastings shall be extended, except with respect to the following Birds, so as to be from the 1st day of March to the 31st day of August in any year:—

Wild Swan, Wild Geese, Mallard, Woodcock, Snipe, Lapwing, Redshank and other Sandpipers, Curlew and Whimbrell, Plover, Godwit, Widgeon, Teal and other Wild Ducks.

3. "The Wild Birds Protection Act, 1880" (43 and 44 Vict., cap. 35), shall apply within the County Borough of Hastings to the following species of Wild Birds in the same manner as if those species were included in the schedule to the Act:—

Wryneck, Swallow, Marten, Swift, Bearded Tit, Red Backed Shrike, Kestrel, Hobby, Buzzard, Honey Buzzard, Osprey, Peregrine Falcon, Raven, Kentish Plover, Bustard, Black-headed Bunting, Corn Bunting, Yellow Hammer, Cirl Bunting, Reed Bunting, Snow Bunting, Flycatcher (both species), Landrail, Merlin, Nuthatch, Redstart, Stonechat, Long-tailed Tit, Great Tit, Blue Tit, Coal Tit, Marsh Tit, Crested Tit, Wagtails (all species), Whitethroat, Lesser Whitethroat, Garden Warbler, Blackcap, Dartford Warbler, Reed Warbler, Sedge Warbler, Grasshopper Warbler, Chiffchaff, Willow Warbler, Wood Warbler, Wheatear, Whinchat, Fire Crested Wren, Gold Crested Wren.

4. During the period from the 31st day of August in any year to the 1st day of March following, the taking or killing of any of the following species of Wild Birds is prohibited throughout the County Borough of Hastings:—

Oriole, Chough, Kingfisher, Hoopoe, Dartford Warbler, Bearded Tit, Buzzard, Honey Buzzard, Osprey, Common Kite, Nightjar or Goatsucker, Green Woodpecker, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Lesser Spotted Woodpecker, White Owl, Common Bittern, Spoonbill, Stone Curlew, Great Plover (Thick Knee), Avocet, Great Crested Grebe, Goldfinch, Crossbill, Woodlark, Pied Flycatcher, Little Bittern, Siskin, Redpole, Wheatear, Raven.

5. The following areas shall be protected, as regards the taking or destroying of Wild Birds' Eggs for a period of five years from the date of this Order, viz.:—The line of Cliffs within the County Borough of Hastings, and the Alexandra Park within the County Borough.

The above areas are shown in pink on a map deposited with the Town Council, and sealed with the seal of this office.

6. The taking or destroying of the Eggs of the following species of Wild Birds is prohibited throughout the County Borough of Hastings, viz.:—

Bearded Tit, Buzzard, Dartford Warbler, Goldfinch, Oriole, Hobby, Honey Buzzard, Hoopoe, Kentish Plover, Kestrel, Common Kite, Nightjar, Kingfisher, Nightingale, Owls (all species), Wryneck, Common Bittern, Spoonbill, Stone Curlew, Great Plover (Thick Knee), Avocet, Great Crested

Grebe, Green Woodpecker, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Lesser Spotted Woodpecker, Crossbill, Woodlark, Gold Crested Wren, Wheatear, Red-backed Shrike.

7. The Order of the 20th August, 1897, is hereby repealed.

Given under my hand, at Whitehall, this 24th day of February, 1898.

M. W. Ridley, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

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