

## The Barratt Homes/ RSPB Partnership

**Nature is in crisis and facing huge challenges, although we know we also need space for much needed new homes.**

That's why the RSPB and Barratt David Wilson Homes are working together to find ways to make new housing developments better places for wildlife and for people and to inspire homeowners to welcome nature into their own outdoor spaces.

Our big programme of work together covers three main areas:

- Sharing expertise
- Inspiring homeowners
- Driving change with decision-makers.

Kingsbrook is our biggest project so far. Working with Buckinghamshire Council, we are seeking to make the development as nature friendly as possible.

This includes:

- Retaining up to 60% greenspace (of which Kingsbrook Meadows is a part)
- Retaining old hedgerows
- Creating hedgehog highways
- Adding hundreds of swift and bat boxes
- Creating wetlands to capture rainwater
- Planting orchards.

We did a bird, bee and butterfly survey of the Oakfield Village site in 2015, and again in 2021 after 600 homes had been built. The number of breeding pairs of Red-Listed house sparrows rose from two to almost 150 and bees more than doubled in number.

**Did you know?**  
Kingsbrook Meadows, your new visitor site, is one of the key elements of this partnership.



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