## St. Mary's Lands:

## Stop! Please Protect Our Wildlife



Birds you might see:



Skylark



Meadow Pipit

We hope you enjoy your visit to St. Mary's Lands.

To protect ground nesting birds we are asking all visitors and dogs to KEEP OUT of the restricted areas during the bird nesting season (late-February - mid-August) so the birds can nest and rear their chicks **Safely.** 

The breeding season is a particularly vulnerable time for ground nesting birds. When disturbed birds may be prevented from settling, or if already nesting they will fly away from their nests, neglecting their eggs or chicks.

Disturbance may result in:

birds failing to nest eggs failing to hatch

birds abandoning their nest

chicks dying from the cold or lack of food.

## Please help us to protect our wildlife.

It is a criminal offence to disturb breeding birds, this also includes disturbance caused by your dog. Please keep to the footpaths during the bird nesting season.

