

Bat boxes erected 2010

-  Schwegler 1FF
8 erected
-  Schwegler 1FS
2 erected
-  Schwegler 1FW (Hibernation box)
2 erected
-  Schwegler 2F DFP
1 erected
-  Wooden box
1 erected

Bats at Clayfield Copse & Blackhouse Wood

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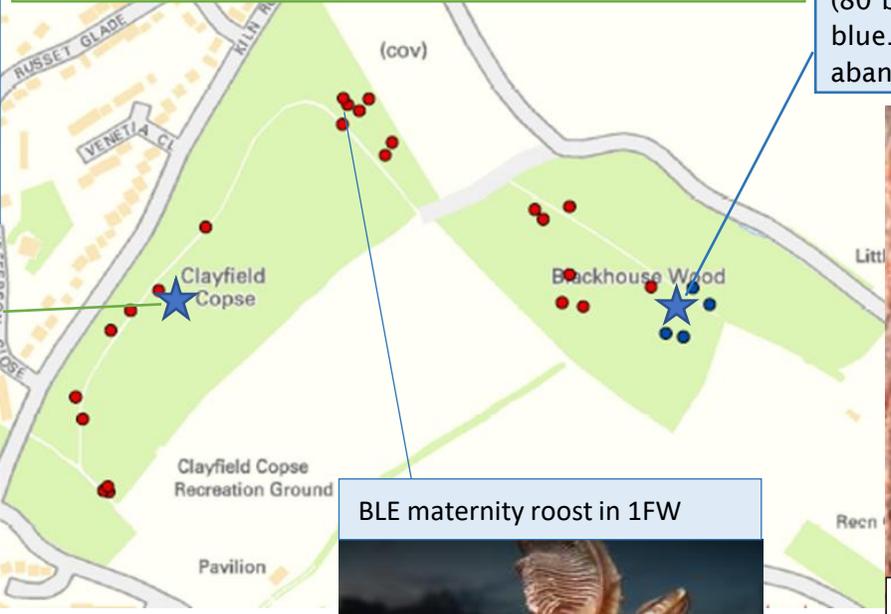
Site has been monitored by Berks & South Bucks bat group for the last 30 years

Wooden bat boxes (red dots in Clayfield) originally erected in 1992 to encourage noctule and Daubenton's bats out of their very low, and therefore vulnerable, roost right on the footpath at the edge of the woodland

14 new boxes (red dots in Blackhouse & north Clayfield) erected 2010. Three species recorded in boxes: common & soprano pipistrelles (summer and hibernation) and brown long-eared (small maternity colony present one year). Male soprano with harem of several females found in one box one autumn.

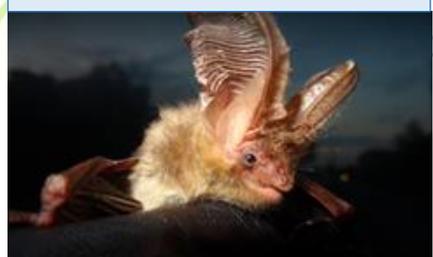
Old main roost near "bomb crater" subject to intense monitoring (fortnightly during season) between 1992 and 1998. Shared by noctules (60 bats) and Daubenton's (80 bats). Satellite roosts in blue. By 2008 roost had been abandoned.

New noctule roost found in 2010, 72 bats counted out. Not present spring 2021



Noctule (*Nyctalus noctula*)

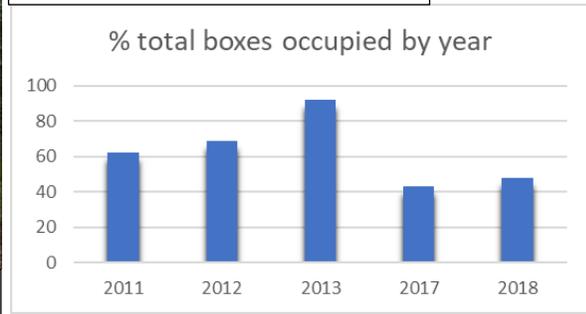
BLE maternity roost in 1FW



Brown long-eared bat (*Plecotus auritus*)



Common pipistrelle (*Pipistrellus pipistrellus*)



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Natterer's bat (*Myotis nattereri*)



Daubenton's bat (*Myotis daubentonii*)



Old noctule & Daubenton roost



Bat group work party checking boxes