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## **1. Overview of Action Plan implementation**

### *Summary of progress to date*

As reported to MoP3: [http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3\\_docs/national\\_reports/uk\\_nat\\_rep\\_mop3.doc](http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc).  
AEWA continues to be implemented in the UK through a wide range of policies, programmes and legislation, also reflected in devolved administration of the four countries of the United Kingdom.

### *1.2 Outline of planned actions for national implementation over the next three years*

### *1.3 Outline of priorities for international co-operation over the next three years*

## 2. Species conservation

### Legal measures

2.1 *Has a national policy/strategy or legislation to protect and conserve species covered by the Agreement (Table 1: column A; column B) and their supporting important areas been developed? If so:*

- a. What are the main features of the policy/legislation?*
- b. Which organisations are responsible for implementation?*
- c. How does it relate to other national initiatives (e.g. national Biodiversity Action Plans)?*

As reported to MoP3: [http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3\\_docs/national\\_reports/uk\\_nat\\_rep\\_mop3.doc](http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc).

2.2 *What legal measures or practices has your country developed to prohibit or regulate for the following (refer also to section 4 on hunting):*

- a. Taking of, and trade in birds listed in Column A and B of Table 1 (where utilization or trade contravenes the provisions set out in paragraphs 2.1.1 (a) and 2.1.2 of the Action Plan)?*
- b. Methods of taking?*
- c. Setting of taking limits and monitoring these limits?*
- d. Sustainable hunting of species listed in Categories 2 and 3 (and marked by an asterisk) in Column A only?*
- e. Exemptions to the provisions set out in paragraphs 2.1.1, 2.1.2 and 2.1.3?*

As reported to MoP3: [http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3\\_docs/national\\_reports/uk\\_nat\\_rep\\_mop3.doc](http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc).

### Single Species Action Plans

2.3 *Of the species covered by the Agreement (species listed in Table 1: column A), which spend part or all of their life history in your country, which have formal international (Category 1, species marked with an asterisk) or national (column A) Single Species Action Plans:*

- a. Proposed?*
- b. In preparation?*
- c. Being implemented?*

*Please append a list of species and their action plan status. (For international plans indicate which other countries are involved in plan development/implementation.)*

As reported to MoP3: [http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3\\_docs/national\\_reports/uk\\_nat\\_rep\\_mop3.doc](http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc).

## Emergency measures

*2.4 Describe any bilateral or multilateral co-operative action that your country has undertaken to develop and implement emergency measures to conserve species in response to unfavourable or endangering conditions occurring in the Agreement area.*

As reported to MoP3: [http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3\\_docs/national\\_reports/uk\\_nat\\_rep\\_mop3.doc](http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc).

## Re-establishments

*2.5 Has a policy on species re-establishments been developed in your country? If yes, please outline the main features of the policy and give details of any re-establishment programmes for species covered by the Agreement.*

As reported to MoP3: [http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3\\_docs/national\\_reports/uk\\_nat\\_rep\\_mop3.doc](http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc).

Active re-establishment of Corncrakes *Crex crex* is being undertaken in eastern England which has led to successful breeding at the re-establishment site.

## Introductions

*2.6 Has your country developed and implemented legal measures to prohibit the introduction of nonnative species? Please provide details, particularly describing measures to control the release or introduction of non-native species (please indicate which species and their status).*

As reported to MoP3: [http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3\\_docs/national\\_reports/uk\\_nat\\_rep\\_mop3.doc](http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc).

The most recent report on rare non-native birds published by the Rare Breeding Birds Panel is at: <http://www.rbbp.org.uk/downloads/rbbp-nn-report-2003-04-05.pdf>. This reports the breeding of a significant number of species of non-native waterbirds.

The most recent report on commoner birds (including non-native species) published by the Breeding Bird Survey and reporting changes from 1994-2007 is at: <http://www.bto.org/bbs/results/bbsreport.htm>.

The most recent report of the Wetland Bird Survey, reporting all non-breeding waterbirds is at [http://www.bto.org/webs/news/AR05\\_06/index.htm](http://www.bto.org/webs/news/AR05_06/index.htm).

The eradication programme for Ruddy Duck continues. Most recent information and progress reports can be found at: [http://www.nonnativespecies.org/Ruddy\\_Duck/index.cfm](http://www.nonnativespecies.org/Ruddy_Duck/index.cfm).

### 3. Habitat conservation

#### Habitat inventories

3.1 Has your country developed and published inventories of important habitats for species covered by the Agreement? If yes, please provide details, including any provisions to maintain or update these inventories.

3.2 Has your country undertaken a strategic review of sites to develop a national network of important sites or areas for species covered by the Agreement? Please append a list of identified sites of international importance.

As reported to MoP3: [http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3\\_docs/national\\_reports/uk\\_nat\\_rep\\_mop3.doc](http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc).

#### Conservation of areas

3.3 Describe the legal frameworks and other measures through which sites (including transfrontier sites) including of international importance gain practical protection. (Please append a list of internationally important protected sites.)

From 1 October 2006, all local authorities and other public authorities in England and Wales have a Duty to have regard to the conservation of biodiversity in exercising their functions. The Duty aims to raise the profile and visibility of biodiversity, to clarify existing commitments with regard to biodiversity, and to make it a natural and integral part of policy and decision making.

The Duty is set out in Section 40 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act (NERC) 2006, and states that:

*“Every public authority must, in exercising its functions, have regard, so far as is consistent with the proper exercise of those functions, to the purpose of conserving biodiversity”<sup>1</sup>*

The Act extends to all public authorities the biodiversity duty of Section 74 of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act (CROW) 2000 which placed a duty on Government and Ministers. A similar duty was introduced in Scotland under the Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004, which requires public authorities to further the conservation of biodiversity.

The Duty affects all public authorities in England and Wales, which include public bodies, government and statutory undertakers. The Duty applies to all local authorities, including the 410 unitary, county and district councils in England and Wales, and approximately 10,000 community, parish and town councils.

Comprehensive guidance on the implementation of this new duty has been published by DEFRA at <http://www.defra.gov.uk/wildlife-countryside/pdfs/biodiversity/la-guid-english.pdf>.

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<sup>1</sup> 2Full text available on <http://www.defra.gov.uk/rural/ruraldelivery/bill/default.htm>



Updated information on new agric-environment policies in England is available at:  
<http://www.defra.gov.uk/farm/environment/index.htm>.

*3.4 Has your country developed a management planning process for protected sites? If yes, please outline the types of management plans and organisations responsible for development and implementation.*

*3.5 How many protected sites have formal management plans (please append a list of sites and their management planning status):*

- a. Proposed?*
- b. In preparation?*
- c. Being implemented?*

*3.6 What measures does your country have in place to ensure the wise use of wetland habitats and to prevent habitat degradation e.g. pollution control and managing water resources? Please provide examples of best practice initiatives particularly involving cross-sectoral co-operation or public participation.*

As reported to MoP3: [http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3\\_docs/national\\_reports/uk\\_nat\\_rep\\_mop3.doc](http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc).

## **Rehabilitation and restoration**

*3.7 Does your country have a policy for the identification, rehabilitation and restoration of wetlands important for species covered by the Agreement? Please provide examples of rehabilitation and restoration projects and initiatives undertaken.*

As reported to MoP3: [http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3\\_docs/national\\_reports/uk\\_nat\\_rep\\_mop3.doc](http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc)

## **4. Management of human activities**

### **Hunting**

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*4.1 Outline the main features of legislation or legal measures in your country to control hunting of the species covered by the Agreement (e.g. use of lead shot and poisoned baits, and to eliminate illegal taking).*

*4.2 Does your country monitor hunting levels? If so, how is this information collated and reported?*

Recent DEFRA-funded research has assessed the extent to which existing harvest monitoring schemes might be able to provide time-series information on trends in bags. The final report of this research is at: <http://www.defra.gov.uk/wildlife-countryside/resprog/findings/huntingbags/final-report.pdf> and relates to a number of species included in AEWA.

*4.3 Describe action undertaken by hunting clubs and organisations to manage hunting activity e.g. cooperative action, issuing of licences and proficiency testing of individual members.*

As reported to MoP3: [http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3\\_docs/national\\_reports/uk\\_nat\\_rep\\_mop3.doc](http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc).

### **Eco-tourism**

*4.4 What is the status of eco-tourism programmes or initiatives in your country? Please provide examples of projects with an indication of the significant outcomes.*

*4.5 What social and economic benefits accrue to the local communities from the conservation of important waterbird sites?*

As reported to MoP3: [http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3\\_docs/national\\_reports/uk\\_nat\\_rep\\_mop3.doc](http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc).

### **Other human activities**

*4.6 Does your country carry out Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) of activities potentially affecting protected sites or areas important for species covered by the Agreement? If yes, briefly describe the main features of your EIA policy and procedures.*

*4.7 Please describe the main features of your planning policy and provide examples of practical implementation (e.g. activities to minimising disturbance of species populations or limit the impact of species populations on crops or fisheries). Please summarize any land-use conflicts especially emphasising successful solutions to problems encountered in promoting the wise-use of waterbirds and their habitats.*

As reported to MoP3: [http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3\\_docs/national\\_reports/uk\\_nat\\_rep\\_mop3.doc](http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc).

## **5. Research and monitoring**

### **Status of research and monitoring programmes for species**

*5.1 How are priorities for research identified in your country? Please briefly describe your*

*country's research programmes, including any bilateral or multilateral co-operative action, for wetland habitats and for species covered by the Agreement (e.g. studies into species population, ecology and migratory patterns). Please append a list of research activities initiated, ongoing or completed in the last three years.*

*5.2 What monitoring activities does your country undertake, including any bilateral or multilateral cooperative action, of wetland areas and species covered by the Agreement (e.g. national monitoring schemes, International Waterfowl Census)? Please append a list of monitoring activities or programmes initiated, ongoing or completed in the last three years*

As reported to MoP3: [http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3\\_docs/national\\_reports/uk\\_nat\\_rep\\_mop3.doc](http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc). The most recent report of the Wetland Bird Survey, reporting all non-breeding waterbirds is at [http://www.bto.org/webs/news/AR05\\_06/index.htm](http://www.bto.org/webs/news/AR05_06/index.htm).

As part of a partnership programme with JNCC, the Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust has developed a major website to report data on goose and swan population: <http://www.wwt.org.uk/research/monitoring/species.asp>.

## **6. Education and information**

### **Training and development programmes**

*6.1 Describe the status of training and development programmes which support waterbird conservation and implement the AEWA Action Plan.*

*6.2 What bilateral or multilateral co-operative action is your country undertaking to develop training programmes and share examples of good practice?*

As reported to MoP3: [http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3\\_docs/national\\_reports/uk\\_nat\\_rep\\_mop3.doc](http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc).

### **Raising public awareness**

*6.3 Describe activities to raise public awareness of the objectives of the AEWA Action Plan. Please outline any particular successes generating public interest in, and securing support for, waterbird and wetland conservation (e.g. campaigns, information notes or other initiatives)?*

Wetland Link International is a global network of wetland education centres and is co-ordinated by the UK's Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust: [http://www.wwt.org.uk/text/297/research\\_papers.html](http://www.wwt.org.uk/text/297/research_papers.html).

## **7. Final comments**

*7.1 General comments on the implementation of the AEWA Action Plan*

*7.2 Observations concerning the functions and services of the various AEWA bodies*

*a. The Agreement Secretariat*

*b. International organisations*

*c. AEWA NGO partners*

*7.3 How might the Action Plan be further developed as a practical aid for national and international conservation of migratory waterbirds?*

As reported to MoP3: [http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3\\_docs/national\\_reports/uk\\_nat\\_rep\\_mop3.doc](http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc).

## 8. Progress to implement Resolutions and Recommendations of the Meeting of the Parties

*Please summarize progress to implement decisions of previous Meetings of the Parties.*

Progress to implement decisions of MoP 3.

	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>UK response</b>
Res. 2.2	PHASING OUT OF LEAD SHOT FOR HUNTING IN WETLANDS	<p>In England, the use of lead gunshot for shooting waterbirds, and also in wetlands statutorily designated for their importance for waterbirds, has been banned since September 1999 (as outlined in section 4.1 above).</p> <p>In Wales, a similar ban has operated since September 2002.</p> <p>In Scotland, a public consultation on the issue was undertaken in 2001, and a full ban on the use of lead gunshot in most wetlands (all those of significance for at-risk waterbirds) came into force on 31 March 2005. (<a href="http://www.basc.org.uk/media/protecting_waterfowl.pdf">http://www.basc.org.uk/media/protecting_waterfowl.pdf</a>)</p> <p>In Northern Ireland, legislation to ban the use of lead shot has been the subject of a public consultation exercise currently underway (May – August 2008): <a href="http://www.doeni.gov.uk/lead_shot_consultation_document.pdf">http://www.doeni.gov.uk/lead_shot_consultation_document.pdf</a>. The Environmental Protection (Restriction on Use of Lead Shot) Regulations (Northern Ireland) [Annex 1 of the consultation document] are anticipated to come into force in advance of the 2009 shooting season, thus completing UK-wide statutory restriction on the use of lead gunshot in wetlands.</p> <p>DEFRA have recently tendered for a research study that aims to review and assess the level of compliance with the Environmental Protection (Restriction of the Use of Lead Shot) (England) Regulations 1999 (as amended) (<a href="http://www.opsi.gov.uk/si/si2002/20022102.htm">http://www.opsi.gov.uk/si/si2002/20022102.htm</a>), through an assessment of wild birds shot and sold through game dealers. This will recommend further measures which will provide Defra with a credible assessment of current practices, including if appropriate, the feasibility and practicality of undertaking cartridge counts or other on-site surveys: and to recommend measures to improve compliance if</p>

Resolution	UK response
	<p>current practice is shown to be insufficient to meet the aims and objectives of the original Regulations.</p> <p>British hunting organisations continue to contribute their experience internationally to other parties including the international hunting community.</p>
Res. 3.1 CLOSURE OF THE REGISTER OF INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS	None necessary.
Res. 3.2 PROCEDURES TO REVIEW BIOGEOGRAPHICAL LIMITS OF WATERBIRD POPULATIONS	Through JNCC's partnership with Wetlands International, has continued to provide support for international waterbird monitoring.
Res. 3.3 DEVELOPING GUIDELINES FOR INTERPRETATION OF CRITERIA USED IN TABLE 1 OF THE AEW ACTION PLAN	None necessary.
Res. 3.4 SUBMISSION OF NATIONAL REPORTS TO MOP	A detailed national report was submitted to MoP 3 (at <a href="http://www.unep-awea.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc">http://www.unep-awea.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc</a> ). This report updates the few aspects that have changed since 2005.
Res. 3.5 DEVELOPMENT OF AN ONLINE NATIONAL REPORT FORMAT	None necessary.
Res. 3.6 DEVELOPING OF AN INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIP FOR SUPPORT OF WATERBIRD POPULATION ASSESSMENTS	<p>UK, through JNCC, has contributed to meetings of Wetlands International's Global Waterbird Advisory Group (WIGWAG) which has taken forward the initiative to create an international partnership to support international waterbird monitoring.</p> <p>DEFRA also provided £20,000 to develop work related to international status assessments for waterbirds related to this Resolution: (<a href="http://www.defra.gov.uk/news/latest/2007/biodiversity-0312.htm">http://www.defra.gov.uk/news/latest/2007/biodiversity-0312.htm</a>).</p>
Res. 3.7 IMPLEMENTING THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE <i>WATERBIRDS AROUND THE WORLD CONFERENCE</i>	<p>With financial support, <i>inter alia</i>, from UK government and its agencies (<a href="http://www.jncc.gov.uk/page-3967">http://www.jncc.gov.uk/page-3967</a>), the proceedings of the <i>Waterbirds around the World</i> conference were published in 2006 and the content made freely available on the internet (<a href="http://www.jncc.gov.uk/Default.aspx?page=3891">http://www.jncc.gov.uk/Default.aspx?page=3891</a>). The publication was launched by UK and Dutch Environment Ministers at the Hague in April 2006 (<a href="http://www.jncc.gov.uk/page-3991">http://www.jncc.gov.uk/page-3991</a>).</p> <p>At the launch, the UK Minister announced £176,000 of UK support for conservation and research projects</p>

Resolution	UK response
	related to migratory bird conservation (including £40,000 for AEWA – see <a href="http://www.defra.gov.uk/news/latest/2007/biodiversity-0312.htm">http://www.defra.gov.uk/news/latest/2007/biodiversity-0312.htm</a> ).
Res. 3.8 AMENDMENTS TO THE ANNEXES TO THE AGREEMENT	None necessary although the UK has noted the information contained in Table 1 annexed to Doc AEWA/MOP3.29.Rev.2 when adopting conservation measures in accordance with the Agreement.
Res. 3.9 DEVELOPMENT OF A STRATEGIC PLAN FOR AEWA	None necessary.
Res. 3.10 COMMUNICATION STRATEGY FOR AEWA	Waterbird conservation has been highlighted in appropriate communications and public awareness activities within the UK as opportunities permit. In particular, the launch of <i>Waterbirds around the world</i> was reported by the media in over 60 countries world-wide (see <a href="http://www.jncc.gov.uk/page-3991">http://www.jncc.gov.uk/page-3991</a> ).
Res. 3.11 AEWA INTERNATIONAL IMPLEMENTATION PRIORITIES FOR 2006 - 2008	The UK provided additional voluntary contributions to support the implementation of a number of priority projects in the period 2006-2008, as noted elsewhere.
Res. 3.12 ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SINGLE SPECIES ACTION PLANS	International Action Plans for the East Canadian High Arctic population of Light-bellied Brent Goose <i>Branta bernicla hrota</i> ; for Corncrake <i>Crex crex</i> , and for White-headed Duck <i>Oxyura leucocephala</i> have been implemented, notably in the case of the latter Plan through attempts to continue to eradicate the population of non-native Ruddy Ducks <i>Oxyura jamaicensis</i> within the UK.
Res. 3.13 INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS : TECHNICAL COMMITTEE	The UK has contributed to the work of the Technical Committee by attending meetings as an observer at all meetings since MoP3.
Res. 3.14 FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS	The UK has paid its subscription as established by this Resolution, as well as providing additional voluntary contributions as noted elsewhere in this section, notably to take forward work related to climate change and waterbirds, as international monitoring.
Res. 3.15 DATE AND VENUE OF MOP 4	None necessary.
Res. 3.16 A TRIBUTE TO THE ORGANISERS	None necessary.
Res. 3.17 CLIMATE CHANGE AND MIGRATORY WATERBIRDS	The UK has provided £70,000 to a DEFRA research project that will focus on identifying migratory species

Resolution	UK response
Res. 3.18 AVIAN INFLUENZA	<p>(including waterbirds) that can act as indicators of climate change.</p> <p>It has also contributed a further £20,000 to AEWA to take forward the work identified in this Resolution (and reported in <a href="#">Report on effects of climate change on migratory bird within the African-Eurasian flyways</a> [AEWA / MOP 4.27] and <a href="#">Draft Conservation Guidelines on measures needed to help waterbirds to adapt to climate change</a> [AEWA / MOP 4.28].</p> <p>It supports a wide-range of activities related to climate adaptation and mitigation, and summarised at <a href="http://www.ukcip.org.uk/">http://www.ukcip.org.uk/</a>.</p> <p>Recent research on climate impacts on coastal waterbirds are summarised at: <a href="http://www.jncc.gov.uk/PDF/pub07_waterbirds_part4.1.2.pdf">http://www.jncc.gov.uk/PDF/pub07_waterbirds_part4.1.2.pdf</a>.</p> <p>In response to the Resolution, the UK has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• undertaken, and published, a strategic risk assessment on the basis of which it has established a national surveillance programme for HPAI;</li> <li>• established an Ornithological Expert Panel to provide technical ornithological advice from both the statutory and NGO sectors to epidemiologists and others within DEFRA (including provision for advisory missions to sites in the event of disease outbreaks);</li> <li>• developed a network of stakeholders who can be rapidly briefed in the event of suspected or confirmed disease outbreaks;</li> <li>• established a statutory national poultry register to inform risk assessments and responses; and</li> <li>• contributed national expertise to the development of surveillance and risk assessments at international scales.</li> </ul> <p>Further information is available at <a href="http://www.defra.gov.uk/animalh/diseases/notifiable/disease/ai/index.htm">http://www.defra.gov.uk/animalh/diseases/notifiable/disease/ai/index.htm</a>.</p>
Res. 3.19 IMPLEMENTING THE ADDIS ABABA PRINCIPLES AND GUIDELINES FOR THE SUSTAINABLE USE OF BIODIVERSITY	<p>The UK has continued to adopt the Addis Ababa Principles and Guidelines for the Sustainable Use of Biodiversity as the relevant framework for the sustainable use of biodiversity.</p>



	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>UK response</b>
Res. 3.20	REQUEST TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SENEGAL	None necessary.

## **9. OPTIONAL SECTION – Planned and future actions**

Contracting Parties are invited to outline below any further information regarding the aims of the Agreement, for example, planned actions or other informative examples.

1. Species conservation
2. Habitat conservation
3. Management of human activities
4. Research and monitoring
5. Education and information

### **List of abbreviations and acronyms used in the report**

### **References**

### **Appendices**

As reported to MoP3: [http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3\\_docs/national\\_reports/uk\\_nat\\_rep\\_mop3.doc](http://www.unep-aewa.org/meetings/en/mop/mop3_docs/national_reports/uk_nat_rep_mop3.doc).

#### **Appendix 1: Status of Single Species Action Plans**

#### **Appendix 2: List of sites of international importance**

Most recent designations of internationally important sites are reported on JNCC's web-site at <http://www.jncc.gov.uk/page-3517> for EC Special Protection Areas and at <http://www.jncc.gov.uk/page-3518> for Ramsar sites.

#### **Appendix 3: Status of management plans for sites of international importance**

#### **Appendix 4: List of research and monitoring programmes and projects**

#### **Appendix 5: List of national institutions involved in migratory waterbird conservation**

**Appendix 6: List of relevant World Wide Web addresses for national institutions involved in migratory waterbird conservation**

**Appendix 7: List of relevant migratory waterbird and habitat conservation projects initiated, ongoing or completed in the last three years**