Bird sightings since 1935 in Crofton and Sparrow Woods

Bird name	Yea	ar								_							
	1935 -69	1969-71	1974	1979	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1989	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Notes
Blackbird	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	√		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	
Blackcap	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark							\checkmark			\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		
Brambling	~														~		Seen Sparrow Wood April 2023
Bullfinch	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓			✓				✓	✓	✓		
Buzzard	~											~	~	~	~	~	Nested 2021 facing Scrubs Farm fields
Carrion crow	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓		✓	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Chaffinch	~	~	~			~	~	~				~	~	~	~	~	20 th Cent. summer visitor, 2021 resident
Chiffchaff	\checkmark	\checkmark			✓		\checkmark			\checkmark		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Collared Dove	✓				\checkmark	✓	✓	\checkmark	✓	L	✓	\checkmark	✓	✓	\checkmark	✓	
Cuckoo	 ✓ 	✓ 	 ✓ 														Breeding in 1974, not seen by 1998 although heard in the early 2000s until 2008
Duck (mallard)	~		~		~		~					~		~			1986 seen on horses' field
Duck (mandarin)											\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		Pair
Dunnock	✓		✓		\checkmark	✓	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	✓	\checkmark	✓	
Egret (Little)											✓		✓		✓	✓	
Feral pigeon											\checkmark	✓	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	Regular in 2023
Fieldfare	\checkmark		\checkmark										\checkmark		\checkmark		Winter
Firecrest													\checkmark				
Flycatcher (pied)				\checkmark													
Flycatcher (spotted)	~		√					√									Breeding in 1974. Seen on migration 1986. Not seen by 1998.
Goldcrest	\checkmark		✓			✓						\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	✓		
Goldfinch	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	1	\checkmark				\checkmark			\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark			
Greenfinch	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark			L					\checkmark	Jan 2024
Gull (black-headed)			✓									\checkmark	✓	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Gull (common)			✓										✓		✓		Winter
Gull (herring)			✓												✓		
Heron (grey)			✓									✓	\checkmark			\checkmark	
House martin	✓		✓	<u> </u>	✓				<u> </u>			✓					
Jackdaw	✓			<u> </u>												✓	Occasional visitor
Jay	\checkmark	✓	✓	<u> </u>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	 ✓ 	 ✓ 	✓	✓	
Kingfisher				<u> </u>					<u> </u>		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	√	✓	✓	✓	1 st 2024 sighting in Jan
Kestrel	✓	<u> </u>	 ✓ 	<u> </u>	✓		✓	✓	✓	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	✓		<u> </u>		
Lapwing			✓	 	 				<u> </u>	<u> </u>		 					On passage
Linnet	 ✓ 	√	 ✓ 	<u> </u>		✓			<u> </u>		<u> </u>				<u> </u>		
Magpie	 ✓ 	✓	✓	<u> </u>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Meadow pipit	✓		✓											<u> </u>			Occasional visitor
Moorhen														~			Ormonde Ave end of stream

Nightingale	✓		✓														
Nuthatch	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Owl (little)													\checkmark	\checkmark			
Owl (tawny)	✓	\checkmark	✓		\checkmark		\checkmark					\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		
Partridge	✓																Occasional visitor
Peregrine Falcon															\checkmark		
Pheasant			✓			✓						✓		✓		✓	
Ring necked											✓	✓	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark	✓	
parakeet																	
Redpoll	~	~	~		~	~	~						~				Breeding in 1974. March sighting in 2021.
Red kite														\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Redstart (common)	✓			\checkmark													
Redwing	✓		\checkmark									\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	Winter visitor
Reed bunting	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark														Not seen by 1998
Ring ousel	\checkmark																Occasional visitor
Robin	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Rook	✓																Occasional visitor
Siskin	~		~										~			√	Early sightings- winter + 19.3.21 +30.1.24
Skylark	~	√	~		~										~		Breeding in 1974. Not seen by 1998. Seen over Scrubs Farm Field 2023.
Sparrow (house)	\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		
Sparrow (tree)		✓	\checkmark	✓													
Sparrowhawk	✓												\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Starling	✓	\checkmark	✓		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark		✓	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Stock dove												✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Swallow	✓		✓		\checkmark												
Swift	~		~		~		~	~	~				~	~			2021-3 – nesting Crescent Drive
Thrush (mistle)	✓	\checkmark	✓		\checkmark	\checkmark		✓				\checkmark	\checkmark			✓	
Thrush (song)	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	
Tit (coal)	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓			\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Tit (blue)	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Tit (great)	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Tit (long tailed)	✓	\checkmark			\checkmark	\checkmark					\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	
Tit (willow/marsh)	✓	✓	✓					✓									Breeding in 1974.
Treecreeper	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓		✓			✓	✓	\checkmark	✓	
Turtle dove	~	~	~														Breeding in 1974. Not seen by 1998
Wagtail (grey)	•		✓										~	~			Seen Sept 2022 in the stream near St Thomas' Drive
Wagtail (pied)	✓	✓	✓			✓					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Wagdan (pied) Warbler (garden)	· •	· •			✓			✓	✓								
Warbler			~														On passage
(grasshopper)																	
Warbler (reed)	✓	<u> </u>									 			<u> </u>	<u> </u>		
Warbler (sedge)			✓ ✓											<u> </u>	<u> </u>		On passage
Warbler (willow)	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓								Breeding
Warbler (wood)	√																
Wheatear	\checkmark																Occasional visitor

Whitethroat	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark			\checkmark											Breeding
Woodcock	✓																Occasional visitor
Woodpecker (great spotted)	~	~	~			~	√	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	
Woodpecker (lesser spotted)	~		~			~				~							Breeding in 1974
Woodpecker (green)	~		~		~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	
Woodpigeon	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Wren	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	~	✓	~	
Yellowhammer	~	✓	~	~	~	~	~										Breeding in 1974. Not seen by 1998

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- 1969 71 P D Gann for Atlas of Breeding Birds of Britain and Ireland
- 1974 -record sent to British Trust for Ornithology copy held by Friends of Crofton and Sparrow Woods
- 1979 Record held by RSPB Bromley Local Group- probably from the then Recorder: Alex James
- 1983-87 recorded by PD Gann
- 1989 species noted on SSSI records
- 2020 21 recorded by J E Andrews, H Rowson, J Smith & P Smart
- 2022 recorded by J E Andrews, P Smart, H Rowson & R Gann
- 2023 recorded by J E Andrews, J Smith, H Rowson, P Smart & A Russell
- 2024 recorded by J E Andrews, P Smart, RSPB Bromley Local Group and Sue Ward