



Frome Town Environmental Actions 2023

Frome's Big Bat Count - 12th May

- 7 Teams and 35 volunteers involved (many of the volunteers were young people age 11-16)
- 102 bats recorded
- 9 bat species identified



Frome's Big Bat Count - Species of bats we observed



Pygmy Pipistrelle
(*Pipistrellus pygmaeus*)



Common Pipistrelle
(*Pipistrellus pipistrellus*)



Common Noctule
(*Nyctalus noctula*)



Serotine Bat
(*Eptesicus serotinus*)



Western Barbastelle
(*Barbastella barbastellus*)



Lesser Noctule
(*Nyctalus leisleri*)



Bechstein's Bat
(*Myotis bechsteini*)

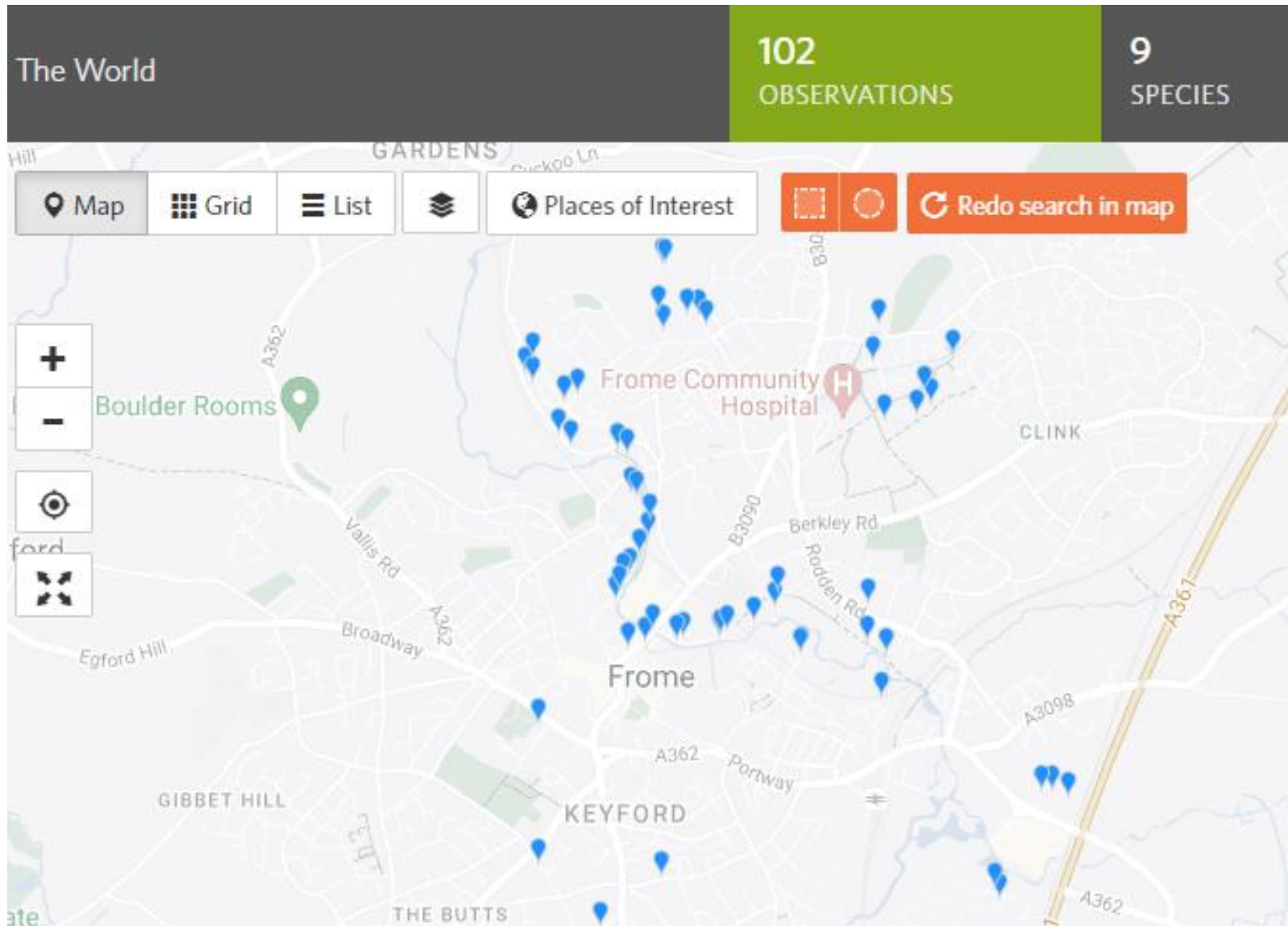


Brandt's Bat
(*Myotis brandtii*)



Natterer's Bat
(*Myotis nattereri*)

Frome's Big Bat Count - Map of observations

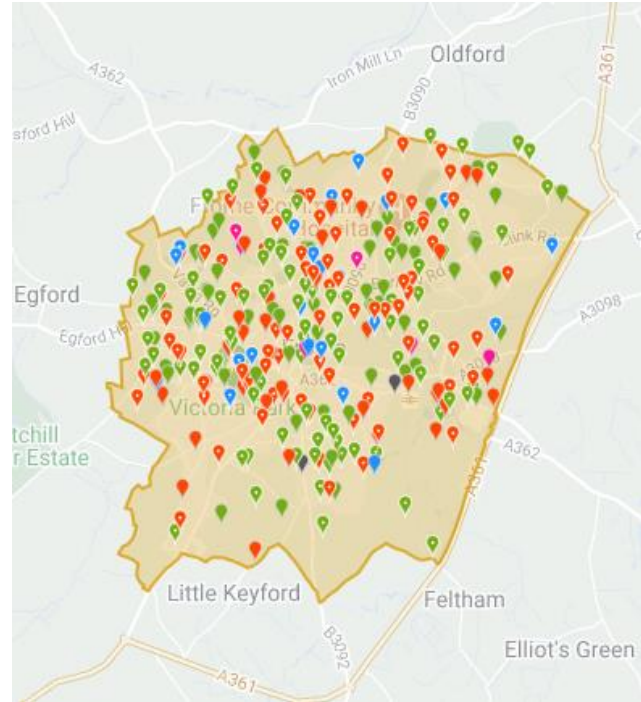


Community Wildlife Mapping

- Over 2000 observations recorded by 174 participants
- Encouraging people to get outdoors, connect with nature and take positive actions for wildlife
- The data gathered will inform our management plans for our parks and green spaces, as well as our climate & ecological emergency strategy and action plan



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Most Observed Species

Harlequin Ladybird 22



European Common Frog 21



European Garden Spider 17



Noble False Widow 12



Blackbird 10



Common Hedgehog 10

Tree planting

- Over 350 trees planted since January 2023!
- Up to date, Frome community planted 6000 trees in total
- The target is to plant 20000 trees - one per each resident



Bird Box Building Events - March - April 23

- The Wild Bunch volunteers hosted six 'on street' pop up events where neighbours were invited to build bird boxes from flat packs funded by Wessex Water, and cut to size by Men's Shed.
- 70 bird boxes built and distributed around the Town.



Walk and Wheel event - 20th -31st March

- Walking Bus- residents joined the local legend Cheryl Sprinkler from Mojo Moves for a comedy feel-good walk to school.
- Free breakfast was served for everyone who has travelled to school in an active way.
- Dr Bike - free bike safety checks were offered by a Frome Community Bike Project mechanic.
- Details about the challenge here: <https://bigwalkandwheel.org.uk/>



Walk and Wheel event - summary

- Around 250 children and adults took part in walking buses
- 64 bikes got a free safety check
- Approx. 400 breakfasts served
- Total active journeys 5067
- Walking/wheelchair: 4251
- Scooter: 540
- Cycle: 276



The Deep Clean - 30th March

- 45 volunteers and Frome Town Council staff got together to give the town a big spring clean
- Critchill School students offered coffee to all volunteers



Donate IT events

- Two events (December 22 and January 23) were held by Donate IT and supported by Frome Medical Practice (FMP) and Frome Town Council.
- Over 600 items donated and 650kg of tech saved from landfill.



Zero Waste - Plastic Free. Period.

- Campaign delivered in partnership with Frome Medical Practice encouraging use of sustainable menstrual products
- Educational workshop, free period pants distributed to the community and schools, discounts from local shops and online for residents
- Positive Period workshops delivered to 6 middle schools in town reaching over 1000 students





Thank you for listening! Any questions?