

1980 No. 404

WILD BIRDS

**The Wild Birds (Washington New Town Sanctuary)
Order 1980**

Made - - - - 17th March 1980
Coming into Operation 24th March 1980

The Secretary of State for the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 3(1) of the Protection of Birds Act 1954(a) and section 4(2) of the Protection of Birds Act 1967(b) and all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Wild Birds (Washington New Town Sanctuary) Order 1980 and shall come into operation on 24th March 1980.

2. In this Order “the Act of 1954” means the Protection of Birds Act 1954 and “the Act of 1967” means the Protection of Birds Act 1967.

3. The area specified in the Schedule to this Order (hereafter in this Order referred to as the “Washington New Town Sanctuary”) shall be a bird sanctuary and the following provisions of this Order shall have effect with respect thereto.

4. Subject to the provisions of the Act of 1954 and the Act of 1967 any person who, within the area of the Washington New Town Sanctuary,

- (a) at any time wilfully kills, injures or takes or attempts to kill, injure or take any wild bird, or
- (b) wilfully takes or destroys an egg of any wild bird, or
- (c) wilfully disturbs any wild bird while it is on or near a nest containing eggs or unflown young,

shall be guilty of an offence against the Act of 1954.

5. Where any person in the Washington New Town Sanctuary does any act which by virtue of Article 4 above is an offence against the Act of 1954 he shall be liable to a special penalty.

SCHEDULE

That area in the parishes of Washington and Offerton in the county of Tyne and Wear from the junction of the disused railway line and the road to Cox Green at grid reference N2331548, by the road in a north-westerly direction to the River Wear at the Oddfellows’ Arms for some 517 metres (excluding the Oddfellows’ Arms, numbers 1 and 2 Alice Wells Villas and their gardens, All Saints’ Church, Cox Green Mission and its garden, Greenhaugh House and its garden, the boatyard and allotments alongside the river between the boatyard and the Oddfellows’ Arms), crossing the

(a) 1954 c. 30.

(b) 1967 c. 46.

River Wear for some 55.5 metres to the north bank at grid reference N2326554, across the tip in a north-north-westerly direction for some 286 metres to the Sewage Works perimeter fence at grid reference N2325557; thereafter along the Sewage Works perimeter fence in a north-westerly direction for some 129 metres to the road, Barmston Lane; thereafter along Barmston Lane in a north-easterly direction for some 692 metres to the bend at grid reference N2330553 and again in a northerly direction for some 268 metres and again in a westerly direction for some 111 metres to the bend in the road at grid reference N2328565; thereafter in a northerly direction along the road for some 309 metres to the junction with the A1231 at grid reference N2328569; thereafter in an easterly direction for some 831 metres along the A1231 to the junction with the stream at grid reference N22337960; thereafter in a south-south-easterly direction along the stream for some 397 metres to the River Wear at grid reference N2338566 and across the River Wear at grid reference N2338566; thereafter along the south bank of the River Wear in a south-westerly direction for some 129 metres to the end of the road at grid reference N2337564; thereafter along the road in a south-easterly direction for some 572.5 metres to the hedge at grid reference N234560; thereafter along the hedge in a south-westerly direction for some 526.5 metres to grid reference N2337556; thereafter along the hedge in a south-south-easterly direction for some 254 metres to the disused railway line at grid reference N2336554 and finally along the disused railway line in a south-westerly direction for some 872.5 metres to the junction with the road at grid reference N2331548 (excluding the house and its garden at Cox Green Station).

17th March 1980.

Michael R. D. Heseltine,
Secretary of State for the Environment.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order establishes the area, in the Parishes of Washington and Offerton, specified in the Schedule as a bird sanctuary. Article 4 makes the acts therein specified offences against the Protection of Birds Act 1954 and Article 5 makes such acts liable to a special penalty.