

May 2024:

Spring has arrived and with it many birds, such as skylarks, nightingales, bearded tits, sedge and reed warblers, which are now making their presence felt.

However, please remember that this is the nesting season when birds and their young are very vulnerable to disturbance, especially by dogs.

Specifically, you are reminded that with effect from 31 March there are national restrictions in place that require dogs to be kept on short leads when on open access land such as Walberswick Common.

Restrictions also apply to the area that has been fenced off to the rear of the beach between Walberswick and Dunwich to protect birds such as Little Terns that nest in the shingle.

Wild birds are under threat everywhere - please help us protect them.

We thank all dog owners and others for their cooperation.

Shoreline Protection Area

Please help us protect ground-nesting birds and rare shingle plant communities from disturbance and trampling by not crossing the rope fence and keeping dogs under close control. This area will be temporarily fenced between April-September.



The image is a sign for a 'Shoreline Protection Area'. It features a title at the top, a paragraph of text explaining the need for protection, three photographs of wildlife (a ground-nesting bird, a rare shingle plant, and a Little Tern), and logos for three organizations: Natural England, RSPB, and Suffolk Wildlife Trust.