

SYSTEMATIC LIST OF THE DRAGONFLIES (ODONATA) OF BEDDINGTON FARMLANDS by Czech Conroy

Common Name (Names recommended by British Dragonfly Society)	Scientific Name	Conservation Status (info. given below is from Smallshire and Swash, 2010)	Beddington Farmlands Status (DC = Derek Coleman, FP = Frank Prater, PRA = Peter Alfrey)
Damselflies	Anisoptera		
Beautiful Demoiselle	<i>Calopteryx virgo</i>	Common & widespread in rivers & streams	Vagrant, only record 210611 FP
Banded Demoiselle	<i>Calopteryx splendens</i>	Common & widespread in rivers & streams	Scarce
Large Red Damselfly	<i>Pyrrhosoma nymphula</i>	Common & widespread in ponds, ditches & bogs	Scarce, 3 records 300504, 030508 DC, 030514 PRA
Azure Damselfly	<i>Coenagrion puella</i>	Common & widespread in ponds, canals & ditches	Scarce
Common Blue Damselfly	<i>Enallagma cyathigerum</i>	Common & widespread in lakes & canals	Scarce
Blue-tailed Damselfly	<i>Ischnura elegans</i>	Common & widespread in ponds, canals & ditches	Scarce
Small Red-eyed Damselfly	<i>Erythromma viridulum</i>	Localised in lakes, ponds & ditches	Vagrant, small (40+) colony in August 2014 (NG et al)
Dragonflies	Zygoptera		
Migrant Hawker	<i>Aeshna mixta</i>	Common & widespread in lakes & ponds	Common
Southern Hawker	<i>Aeshna cyanea</i>	Common & widespread in lakes & ponds	Vagrant
Brown Hawker	<i>Aeshna grandis</i>	Common & widespread in lakes & ponds	Scarce. First records were: 260896,150899,250813 (all DC)
Emperor Dragonfly	<i>Anax imperator</i>	Common & widespread in lakes & ponds	Regular
Broad-bodied Chaser	<i>Libellula depressa</i>	Common & widespread in ponds	Vagrant, 4 records 250600, 060604 DC, 130604, 020613 PRA
Black-tailed Skimmer	<i>Orthetrum cancellatum</i>	Common & widespread in lakes	Common

Common Darter	<i>Sympetrum striolatum</i>	Common & widespread in lakes & ponds	Common
Ruddy Darter	<i>Sympetrum sanguineum</i>	Common & widespread in ponds	Scarce
Red-veined Darter	<i>Sympetrum fonscolombii</i>	Localised in lakes, ponds & ditches	Vagrant, 010801 and 060709
TOTAL	16		

The sequence in which the species have been listed above follows that used in:

Smallshire, D. and Swash, A., *Britain's Dragonflies: a field guide to the damselflies and dragonflies of Britain and Ireland* (2010), WildGuides Ltd., Old Basing, Hampshire.

Classification

Recording of Odonata at Beddington has been far less thorough than recording of birds: it is likely, therefore, that there has been under-recording of at least some species. Taking this into account, the following classification system (Common, Scarce and Vagrant) and criteria have been developed and applied.

Common If a species has been recorded in at least 3 of the last 5 years, or at least 5 of the last 10 years, it has been classified as 'Common' - only 2 species satisfy these criteria. (In addition, Black-tailed skimmer has been classified as common, because it has been recorded in 2 of the last 3 years and was numerous in both years.)

Scarce Recorded in 2-4 years in the last 10 years.

Vagrant Recorded in no more than one of the last 10 years, and possibly none (i.e. records(s) may be from before then).

The above status categories are based partly on documented records with dates; and, for some species, partly on anecdotal accounts of sightings for which dates (and sometimes years) were not available.