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PROGRAMME

9.00-10.00	Registration	
10.00-10.05	Welcome Address	Ieuan Evans
10.05-10.20	Action for Action Areas: A CEO-eye View	Juliet Vickery
10.20-10.45	Understanding Nightjar Ecology to Better Inform Conservation Management and Monitoring	Greg Conway
10.45-11.10	Bird Atlas 2027-31	Katie Phillips
11.10-12.00	Morning break	
12.05-12.30	Where Have All the Blackbirds Gone?	Arran Folly
12.30-12.55	Results of the Winter Gull Survey (2023/24)	Emma Caulfield
12.55-14.15	Lunch	
14.20-14.30	Keeping the Momentum: One Century of Citizen Science Tracking Carmarthenshire Heronries	Clare Bishop
14.30-14.40	Youth Engagement	BTO Youth Team
14.40-14.50	Birds in Greenspaces	Jess Stokes
14.50-15.00	Celebrating, Supporting and Developing BTO's Regional Network	Stephen Metcalfe
15.00-15.10	The BTO Seabird Ringing Grant & Me	Jasmine Smith
15.10-15.20	The Migration of Training: Moving Towards an eLearning Platform	Jen Donelan
15.20-15.50	Afternoon break	
15.55-16.20	BTO's Work Tracking and Monitoring Seabirds in Scotland	Sam Langlois
16.20-16.45	Tracking the Impact: Monitoring Bird Populations at a Landscape Scale Change across the Chilterns	Nick Marriner
16.45-17.10	Trialling Solutions to Boost Threatened Curlew Populations in the UK	Harry Ewing and Sam Franks
17.10-17.30	Closing Remarks	James Pearce-Higgins
17.30	Conference ends	

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