

Water Rail

Rallus aquaticus

Category A

Winter visitor and passage migrant

An uncommon but under-recorded breeding species in Kent, also a regular passage migrant and possibly increasing winter visitor.

The full species account will follow but the breeding and wintering distribution maps based on the 2007 – 2012 BTO / KOS atlas are provided below.



Water Rail at Seabrook (Brian Harper)

The distribution of winter records recorded in the BTO/KOS Atlas (2007 – 2012) is shown in figure 1.

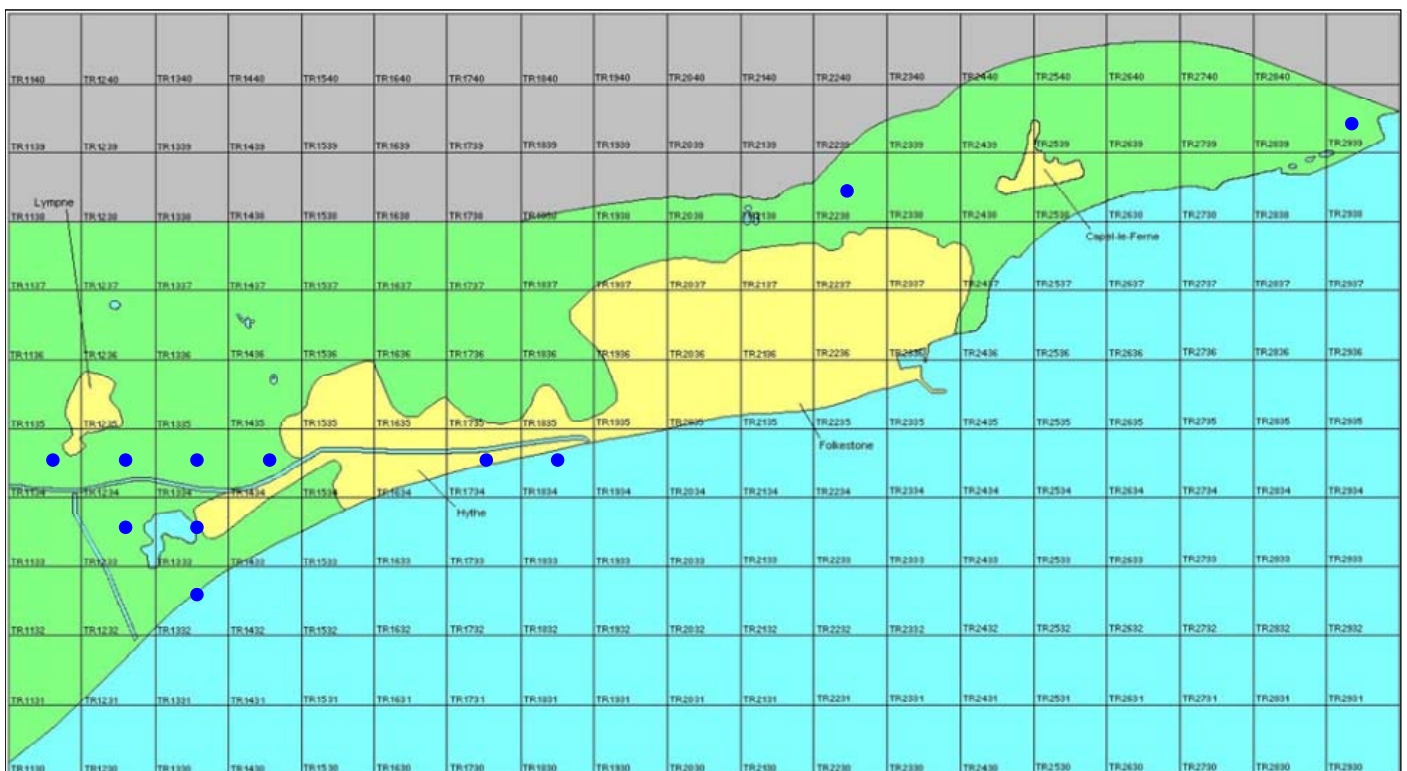


Figure 1: Wintering distribution of Water Rail at Folkestone and Hythe by 1km square