

Why join Scottish Badgers?

Scottish Badgers is the only charity working in Scotland to protect badgers, their setts and natural habitats.

Every year thousands of badgers are killed on our roads. We collect records and encourage local councils and Transport Scotland to install mitigation to reduce badger road deaths and avoid accidents to road users.

Badger baiting is still rife in many parts of the country in spite of being banned since 1835. We work with Police Scotland and the SSPCA to gather intelligence and target and report offenders. We provide expert witnesses to assist the police, SSPCA, COPFS and the courts when dealing with badger crime.

We provide advice to members of the public, councils and professionals in the forestry, ecological and land management sectors in relation to badgers.

We run a nationally recognised training system. This delivers courses from "Badgers for Beginners" through our Level 1 Registered Badger Worker scheme, to our advanced Level 2 courses for ecological professionals.

We run school projects that enable children to visit, study and monitor their local badger setts, producing high quality film, poetry and prose about these enigmatic animals. We present the "David Stephen Memorial Award" to the school that produces the best work each year.

Our "Badgers in the Landscape" project in South Lanarkshire aims to encourage local groups to locate and monitor their local badger setts so as better to protect them.

We work with MSPs and MPs to raise concerns regarding planning, criminal and ecological legislation with both the Scottish and UK governments.

We provide telephone advice and site visits for members of the public experiencing problems with badgers.

We run a Sett Monitoring Scheme that encourages people to keep an eye on their local badger setts and provides them with information and advice on how to do so.

We do all this with one full time Project Officer, one part time Species Protection Coordinator and a small team of very active and dedicated volunteers.

Membership of Scottish Badgers costs just £20 per year. By joining us you will get access to our excellent training scheme, reduced rates at our annual conference, the opportunity to take part in surveys, our quarterly newsletter and the knowledge that you are helping us to protect this shy, retiring and heavily persecuted species.

You can join on-line at our website (www.scottishbadgers.org.uk) using a credit/debit card or a PayPal account if you have one.

If you would like more information then email info@scottishbadgers.org.uk or telephone 07792 142446