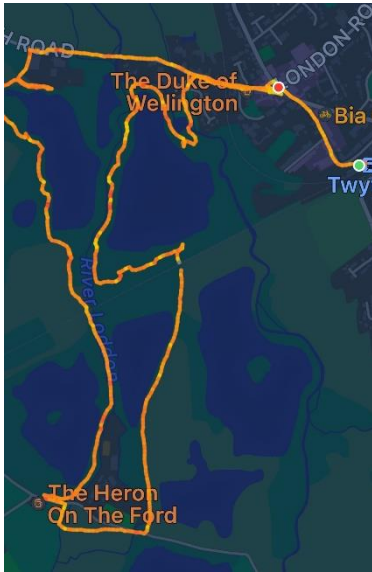


## MBS Twyford 16 September 2023



About 25 people were on the first Local Outing of the 2023-24 season. Paul Seber had introduced us to this walk round Twyford last September. This year there was no need to change from one bit of the Elizabeth Line to another the far side of Paddington Station! We'd identified a through train arriving just after our usual 10.30am meeting time.

Paul reported: We didn't see that much but I think everyone enjoyed it. We had a Kingfisher flyby lots of Red Kites, Treecreeper, Shoveler and Gadwall and maybe a dozen Great Crested Grebes. We also saw hundreds of Cellophane Bees (plasterer bees) feeding on Ivy flowers which was quite interesting.

Several people on the Tuesday Heath walk which followed commented on having enjoyed the walk and contributed to the bird list. Highlights seem to have been the numbers of Great Crested Grebe, Gadwall and Red Kite seen as well as the Treecreeper we don't often see on the Heath.

Photos below taken by Paul + Grebes by Ben.

### Bird list

Mute swan  
Canada goose  
Mallard  
Gadwall  
Shoveler  
Tufted duck  
Cormorant  
Heron  
Great Crested Grebe  
Buzzard  
Sparrowhawk

Red Kite  
Moorhen  
Coot  
Herring Gull  
Black-headed Gull  
Wood pigeon  
Feral pigeon  
Kingfisher  
Wren  
Robin  
Blackbird

Chiffchaff (heard)  
Blue Tit  
Coal Tit  
Great Tit  
Long-tailed Tit  
Treecreeper  
Jay  
Magpie  
Jackdaw  
Carrion Crow

