

Bat Conservation Trust



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Dear Andy,

Thank you very much for the Somerset Bat Group's generous donation of £500 in support of BCT's Ringing the Changes Project.

Establishing a database of ringed bats has been something we have wanted to do since BCT took over bat ring sales from the Mammal Society in 2012. We were very pleased to get consensus from ringers for centralised ringing records at the National Bat Ringing Workshop back in 2015 as well as the support of Natural England and other Statutory Nature Conservation Bodies.

It is very encouraging for us to have your support for the project, it makes a real difference. With other donations received from bat groups and bat ringers, as well as two substantial pledges, we are delighted to be able to go ahead with work to develop a national ringed bat database and a set of guidelines for bat ringers. Lisa Worledge will be leading on the project and will keep you up to date with progress.

This work has been a long-time coming and it is only thanks to the generosity of bat groups that it is now possible. On behalf of the Bat Conservation Trust team, thank you once again for your contribution. We are very grateful for your ongoing support of BCT.

Yours sincerely,

Kit Stoner
Chief Executive Officer