**SUSSEX ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY RECORDS COMMITTEE**

**SCARCE RECORDS FORM**

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| **SPECIES:** | | **Place:** |
| **Number of birds:** | **Age/Sex:** | **Grid Ref:** |

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| **DATE:** | **Dates of earlier/later sightings:** |
| **Times:** | **Total duration:** |

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| **DESCRIPTION:** Circumstances of observation, including distance from bird. Describe habitat. Give details of: bird’s size, shape, plumage colouration and pattern, bill and leg shape, calls and behaviour, including manner of flight. *If you have a good photograph that precludes any risk of confusion with another species, a detailed description is not required.*  *Please continue on separate page if completing in manuscript.* Please attach photographs, if any, and give name of photographer. If ringed, say who ringed it. If dead, say where preserved. |

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| **Optical equipment used:**  **How did weather conditions affect your views of the bird?** |
| **Similar species present for comparison:**  **Previous experience of this or similar species:** |

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| **OBSERVER:**  (Please include full initials) | **Telephone no.** |
| **Postal address incl. postcode:** | |
| **Email address:** | |
| **Other Observers:** | **Who 1st identified it?** |
| **Who found it?** | **Is anyone else reporting it?** |
| **Is this record 100% certain?** | **Any who disagree?** |
| **Date submitted:** | |
| Please return your completed form to the Sussex Ornithological Society Recorder ([recorder@sos.org.uk](mailto:recorder@sos.org.uk)) with photographs if available. The progress of your record through SOSRC can be checked by visiting the Society’s website (sos.org.uk) and clicking on Records and then on Record Decisions. | |