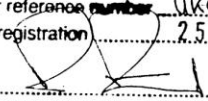


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PAGHAM HARBOUR (WEST SUSSEX)

The site qualifies under Article 4(2) as an internationally important wetland supporting in winter an average of 3045 dark-bellied brent geese Branta bernicla bernicla (2% of the European wintering population). The site also supports nationally important wintering populations: 270 pintail Anas acuta (1% of the British wintering population) 781 grey plovers Pluvialis squatarola (3%) and 340 black-tailed godwits Limosa limosa (7%).

The site qualifies also under Article 4(1) by supporting an average of 160 wintering ruff Philomachus pugnax (10% of the British wintering population), and breeding populations of little tern Sterna albifrons and common tern Sterna hirundo.

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