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Update and prayer requests from A Rocha

As explained at the end of last year Kailean Khongsai is leaving A Rocha & Wolf Fields to train for ordination at St. Mellitus College. We were pleased to encourage him and his family with a Christmas gift of £150.

Please pray for Kailean and the family as they make this transition, and he assists in training new staff.

Following interviews, a new Reserve Manager for Wolf Fields has been appointed: Andrew Samuel will be starting in early January 2023. **Please pray for Andrew** as he settles into this new role and for his training and induction with Kailean.

Recent headlines have highlighted a loss of biodiversity in the UK. An RSPB-led 2019 State of Nature Report for the UK found that the indicator for 696 terrestrial and freshwater species shows a significant decline of 13% in average abundance since 1970 and has fallen by 6% over the past 10 years. Within this indicator, more species have decreased than increased. Since 1970, 41% of species have decreased and 26% have increased in abundance, with the remaining 33% showing little change.

Please pray for A Rocha's Zero Hour campaign and for the Climate and Ecology Bill coming back to the House of Commons this year: that MPs see how essential the provisions in the bill are, and that the UK commits and follows through on halting and reversing UK biodiversity loss by 2030.

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