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Bird species found on Haytor Down.

I think its very exciting that we have curlew breeding very close to Haytor and we have lapwing breeding in the area which are now really quite rare, the great wonder in the winter is the return of the golden plover, and the great flock of golden plover that spend the winter at Haytor, the wonderful flying around at dusk and calling, that to me is a great wonder, and I feel privileged to live so close to where those golden plover decide to over winter. I'm really excited about things like nightjars on the moor as well, because obviously Trendlebere Down is considered a very important site for nightjars on the moor, but I've heard nightjars within yards of the centre at Haytor recently, and that's wonderful as well, its just simple things like that.