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Special bricks to help birds put in every new home in Scotland



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Conservationists say this is because of a lack of bugs to eat and places to nest.

Swifts normally like to nest in little holes under the roofs of people's houses, and once they find a cosy nest, they will return to the same place every year.

Scottish MPs hope that the new rules will help give the birds a boost.

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Last year, the government rejected the proposal to make the bricks mandatory in England.

Instead there will be 'suggestions' in 'planning guidance' for building new homes.

Likewise the Senned in Wales also rejected the proposal in November last year.

In Northern Ireland the government said they prefer to allow local councils to make the decision, rather than it be a legal requirement.



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Newsround Presspackers Penny and Bea found out more about swifts and visited a 'Super Swift street' in Salford where they have put up lots of boxes for them to nest in.

Top swift facts

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In 2020, Swifts were added to the UK's red list of birds most in need of conservation.

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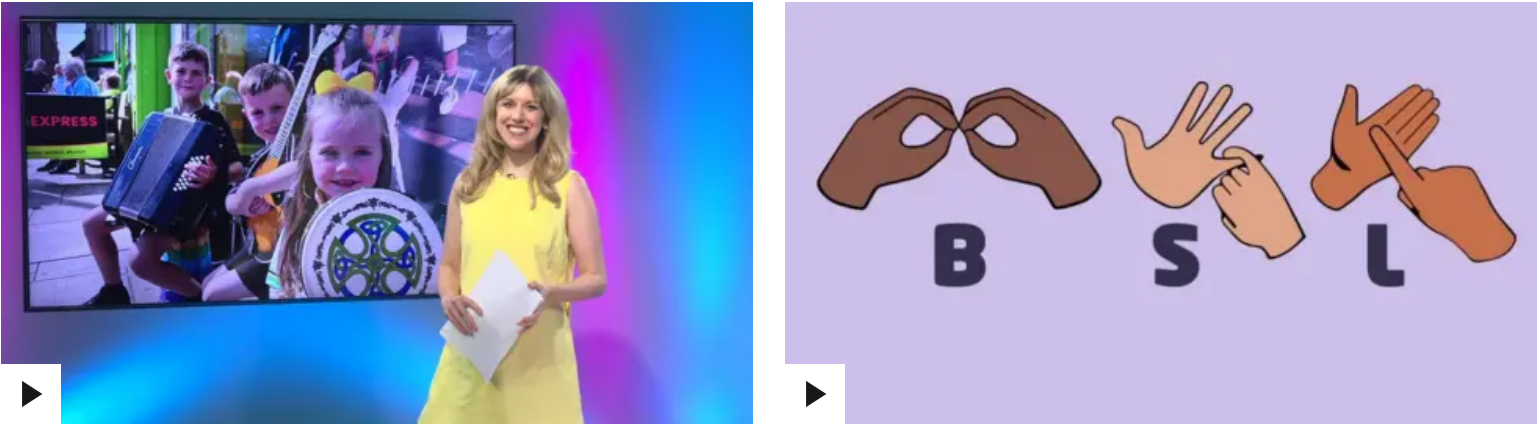
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