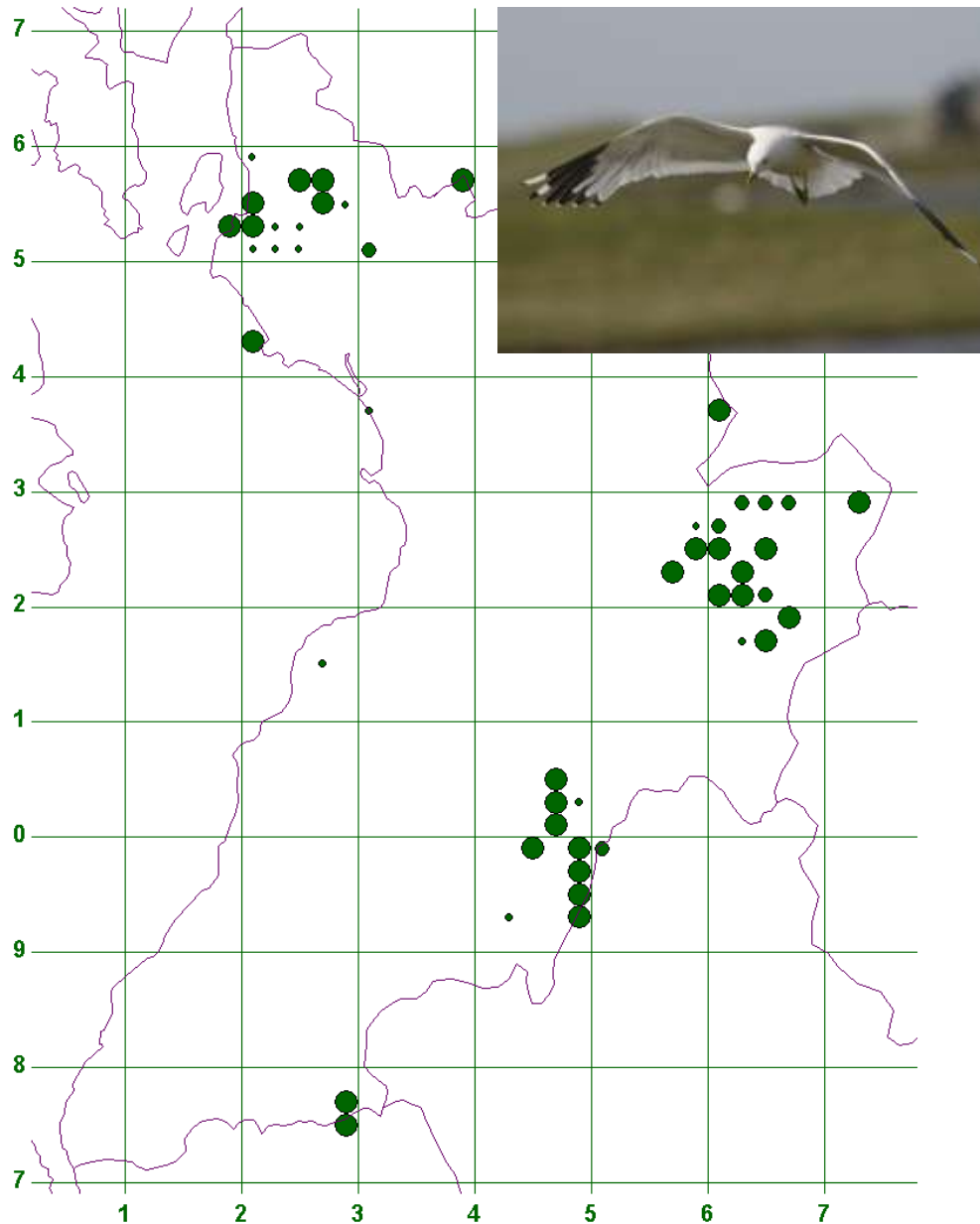


Common Gull (*Larus canus*)



Status: Uncommon breeder.

Current trend: Found at upland hill lochs, and temporary workings associated with human activity, Common Gulls have maintained a breeding population which, although small, appears fairly stable. Fluctuating water levels at some nest locations, along with the risks from predation at these sites, pose a constant problem, and the prospect of it ever becoming a widespread breeding species is remote.

Follow up: Breeding numbers should be monitored annually if possible.