

It was a day for an afternoon off. A lot has been done this week, and the blog has been a little demanding for the last twenty-four hours. So time was taken to go to Welney bird reserve.

It was cold:



The aim was to see short-eared owls, and this is the best photo I managed against a

background of power lines:



They are lovely birds, but they really do not have ears.

A better photo was this goldfinch on their bird feeders:



And the best was this:



That is a female stonechat, sitting on a wire fence and obligingly waiting for me to take its picture.

Also seen, out of the ordinary, were cranes and a snipe. But it was nearly dark by then and time to come home.

Now, I will get back to operating this afternoon's comments.