



Invertebrates

Although not always obvious, insects and other invertebrates abound on Fylingdales Moor. They are a vital food source for many other creatures, and their variety and abundance are important indicators of the quality of the environment.

The Moor is home to several butterflies and moths, which are endangered, rare, or are totally reliant on the special habitats that exist on the Moor. These include the

- Large heath butterfly
- Small pearl-bordered fritillary
- Emperor moth.

The heather and other moorland plants provide food and nectar for these and other insects such as bumblebees.

The Moor also harbours many types of beetle, numerous fly species, solitary wasps, dragonflies, and a range of other invertebrates including some extremely rare snails.