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### 1 Phase 1 habitat survey

### 1.1 Target notes

1.1.1 During the Phase 1 Habitat Survey between April and June 2017, features of potential significance regarding habitat and protected species were recorded as Target Notes as shown in the table below. Target notes are also shown on the Phase 1 Habitat Map ES figure 8.3 (Document Reference 6.3).



# **Target Notes**

| Target note number: | Notes  |
|---------------------|--|
| 1.                  | Calcareous grassland with scattered bramble scrub and scattered broadleaved trees; Lime <i>Tilia</i> species, Wild Cherry <i>Prunus Avuim</i> , Ash <i>Fraximus excelsior</i> , Hawthorn <i>Crataegus Monogyna</i> , Oak <i>Quercus robur</i> .  Verge along the A417 – raised bank with semi-improved calcareous grassland Cowslip <i>Primula Veris</i> , Rock rose <i>Helianthemum nummularium</i> , Salad burnet <i>Sanguisorba minor</i> , Carnation Sedge <i>carex panicea</i> , Wooley thistle <i>cirsium eriophorum</i> , Common knapweed <i>Centtaurea nigra</i> , Common Spotted Orchid <i>Dactylorhiza fuchsia</i> .     |
| 2.                  | Excellent reptile habitat. Potential for notable botanical species.  Plantation Broadleaved Woodland – semi mature planted trees and shrubs including Ash Fraximus excelsior, Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna, Hazel Corylus avellana and Wild Cherry Prunus Avuim.  Moderate dormouse potential. Moderate bat foraging habitat.   |
| 3.                  | Broadleaved woodland with mature Ash Fraximus excelsior, Birch Betula pendula and Grey Willow Salix cinerea, with an under story of Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna, Hazel Corylus avellana and Sycamore Acer pseudoplatanus.  Moderate dormouse potential and moderate bat foraging potential.  |
| 4.                  | Patches of Semi-improved Calcareous grassland along path with common knapweed, common spotted Orchid <i>Dactylorhiza fuchsia</i> , Perforate St Johns wort <i>Hypericum perforatum</i> , Cowslip <i>Primula Veris</i> and false morel <i>Gyromitre esculenta</i> . High potential reptile habitat.   |
| 5.                  | Semi Improved / rough Semi-improved calcareous grassland in field next to the Air Balloon pub including: Upright brome <i>Cytisus scoparius</i> , Cowslip <i>Primula Veris</i> , and Common knapweed <i>Centtaurea nigra</i> . The majority of the field is dominated by rough grasses, but areas are more diverse.  Evidence of anthills found in the field suggests that the field is unmanaged.  Small reed bed located in the northern end of the field with common reed <i>Phragmites australis</i> and common nettle <i>Urtica dioica</i> .  The area has good reptile potential, along with good barn owl foraging habitat. |
| 6.                  | Air Balloon Pub The building consists of Cotswold stone wall with pitched roof with clay tiles. There are missing tiles on the roof and gaps in the mortar. Building has high bat potential.   |
| 7.                  | Mature Broadleaved woodland – secondary woodland Canopy with the following species present: Sycamore Acer pseudoplatans, Ash Fraximus excelsior, hornbeam Carpinu betulus and European larch Larix europaea Understorey of Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna, Elder Sambucus nigra Field layer – wild garlic Allium oleraceum, Lords and ladies Arum maculatum, lesser Celandine Ranunculus pencillatus, moschatel Adoxa moschatellina, harts tongue   |



|     | fern Asplenium scolopendrium, male fern Dryopteris filix-mas, and dogs mercury                   |
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|     | Mercurialis perennis.  |
|     | Within woodland is a small glade of semi-improved calcareous grassland with                      |
|     | common spotted orchid <i>Dactylorhiza fuchsia</i> , brome <i>Bromus hordeaceus</i> , salad       |
|     | burnet Sanguisorba minor at the base of an exposed limestone cliff face.                         |
|     | burner Sanguisorba militor at the base of an exposed limestone clin face.                        |
|     | Woodland incudes trees with high bat roosting potential and provides high potential              |
|     | bat foraging habitat. Woodland has moderate dormouse potential.                                  |
| 8.  | Unimproved Calcareous Grassland with upright brome <i>Bromopsis erecta</i> , common              |
|     | rock rose Helianthemum nummularium , sage Salvia officinalis, salad burnet                       |
|     | Sanguisorba minor, carnation sedge Carex Panicea, common dog violet Viola                        |
|     | riviniana and meadow vetchling Lathyrus pratensis.   |
|     | Scattered scrub and shrubs include: Hawthorn <i>Crataegus Monogyna</i> , holly <i>Ilex</i> , and |
|     | honeysuckle <i>Lonicera periclymenum</i> . Frequent anthills indicate lack of improvement.       |
|     | Excellent reptile habitat. Potential to support notable invertebrates and notable                |
|     | botanical species.   |
| 9.  | Two mature English Oaks <i>Quercus robur</i> with high bat potential with multiple splits,       |
|     | rot holes and branch drops.  |
| 10. | Semi-improved species poor grassland – locally diverse and species rich.                         |
|     | Species of grass found here; sweet vernal Anthoxanthum odoratum, red fuscue                      |
|     | festuca rubra, Yorkshire fog Holcus lanatus, and cocks foot Dactylis glomerate.                  |
|     | Other species of the plants include field wood rush Luzula campestris, common                    |
|     | sorrel Rumex acetosa, cuckoo flower Cardamine pratensis, lesser celandine Ficaria                |
|     | verna, meadow vetchling Lathyrus pratensis, ribwort plantain Plantago lanceolate,                |
|     | selfheal <i>Prunella</i> , Barren strawberry <i>Potentilla sterilis</i> , ,Marsh thistle Cirsium |
|     | palustre, and cowslip <i>Primula Veris</i> .   |
| 11. | evidence suggests that it is well used with fresh  |
|     | spoil and entrance free of debris.   |
| 12. | Semi-improved calcareous grassland at the base of the steep slope up to the view                 |
|     | point. The grassland is less diverse but still features interesting grasses with; upright        |
|     | brome, cowslip Primula Veris, common Knappweed Centtaurea nigra, carnation                       |
|     | sedge Carex glauca, hawk bit Leontodon species, common spotted orchid                            |
|     | Dactylorhiza fuchsia, salad burnett Sanguisorba minor, meadow vetch ling Lathyrus                |
|     | pratensis and cocks foot Dactylis glomerata, Yorkshire fog Holcus lanatus, and                   |
|     | dandelion <i>Taraxacum</i> . There is also scattered bramble and hawthorn scrub present,         |
|     | with ant hills and solitary bees.  |
|     | Good terrestrial invertebrate potential. Moderate reptile potential.                             |
| 13. | Unimproved Calcareous Grassland on steep slope within SSSI – see SSSI                            |
|     | designation for detailed species list.   |
| 14. | Sheep grazed on Semi improved species poor / improved grassland. Shallow soils                   |
|     | with exposed limestone rocks. Good potential for calcareous grassland creation.                  |
|     |  |
| 15. | Broadleaved woodland with occasional planted coniferous trees. Canopy features                   |
| 15. | Ash Fraximus excelsior , Beech Fagus sylvatica, Western red cedar Thuja plicata,                 |
| 15. | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·  |
| 15. | Ash Fraximus excelsior , Beech Fagus sylvatica, Western red cedar Thuja plicata,                 |



|     | e field layer feature species including dogs mercury Mercurialis perennis, Spurge laurel Daphne laureola, Woodruff Galium odoratum, Sanicle Sanicula europaea.  There are steep slopes along the edge of the featuring scrub with Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna and Ash Fraximus excelsior.  Some of the trees have high potential roosting features. The scrub margins offer   |
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|     | good habitat for potential dormice.   |
| 16. | Broad-leafed Woodland – secondary woodland with a canopy of semi mature English Oak Quercus robur and Ash Fraxinus excelsior. The understorey consists of Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna and Bramble Rubus fruticosus agg. with a poor understorey including dog's mercury Mercurialis perennis.   |
| 17. | Semi improved species-poor grassland and occasional scrub patches containing Hawthorn <i>Crataegus Monogyna</i> and bramble <i>Rubus</i> , with a stone wall to the east of track. Reptile potential here is moderate. Grassland species inlcude cowslip <i>Primula Veris</i> common knappweed <i>Centtaurea nigra</i> , creeping cinqefoil <i>Potentilla reptans</i> , sedge <i>Carex</i> species, tufted hair grass <i>Deschampsia cespitosa</i> and crosswort <i>Cruciata laevipes</i> .  To the west of the track in the corner of the grassland there is an area of dense Blackthorn <i>Prunus spinosa</i> . |
| 18. | Hedge banks along the access track to the kennels features the following species; Brambles Rubus, Dog rose Rosa canina, HawthornCrataegus Monogyna and Ash Fraximus excelsior.  The rough semi improved poor grassland with scrub and trees with high suitability for reptiles.   |
| 19. | Dense scrub with semi mature native trees, featuring; Bramble <i>Rubus fruticosus</i> agg. Hawthorn <i>Crataegus Monogyna</i> , Elder <i>Sambucus nigra</i> , Travellers joy <i>Clematis vitalba</i> , Ash <i>Fraximus excelsior</i> , Sycamore <i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i> . Moderate Dormouse potential.   |
| 20. | Set- aside in between managed arable land and hedgerow. Rough ground with ruderal and arable weeds. There is potential for good Barn owl foraging, and moderate reptile potential.  |
| 21. | Plantation mixed woodland, featuring the following species; Ash <i>Fraximus excelsior</i> , Beech <i>Fagus</i> , Guelder Rose <i>Viburnum opulus</i> , Hawthorn <i>Crataegus Monogyna</i> , Blackthorn <i>Prunus spinose</i> , Lime <i>Tilia</i> , Wild Privet <i>Ligustrum vulgare</i> , Dogwood <i>Cornus</i> , Spruce <i>Picea</i> , Field Maple <i>Acer campestre</i> , Cedar <i>Cedrus</i> , Hazel <i>Corylus avellana</i> and Cherry <i>Prunus Avuim</i> .  High potential for dormouse and reptiles.   |
| 22. | Semi Improved species poor grassland with a tussocky structure. Good Barn owl foraging along with high reptile potential. Species found in the grassland include; Yorkshire fog <i>Holcus lanatus</i> , false oat grass <i>Arrhenatherum elatius</i> , Creeping bent <i>Agrostis stolonifera</i> , common vetch <i>Vicia sativa</i> , and crosswort <i>Cruciata laevipes</i> .  |
| 23. | Ash featuring numerous rot and wood pecker holes, high bat roost potential.   |
| 24. | Semi improved calcareous grassland featuring: upright Brome <i>Bromus erectus</i> ,  Burnett Saxiflage <i>Pimpinella saxifrage</i> , Crosswort <i>Cruciata laevipes</i> , Greater  Knappweed <i>Centaurea scabiosa</i> , yellow wort <i>Blackstonia perfoliate</i> .  |



|     | The south facing slope has good reptile potential. Dry stone wall at the bottom of the  |
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|     | slope, featuring areas of Hawthorn <i>Crataegus Monogyna</i> , Bramble <i>Rubus</i> and |
|     | travellers Joy Clematis vitalba.  |
| 25. | Pond - dry and in the process of scrubbing over.  |
| 26. | Native Broadleaved woodland featuring the following species; Mature Beech Fagus,        |
|     | Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna, Dog rose Rosa canina and a Laurel hedgerow to              |
|     | one edge. Potential for bat roosting features in trees – not visible from footpath.     |
| 27. | Tall ruderal in arable set aside, dominated by nettle, which is bounded by a dry stone  |
|     | wall on one side. High reptile potential.   |
| 28. | Avenue of mature Lime trees adjacent to the road. A number of the trees have rot        |
|     | holes and other features with moderate to high bat potential.                           |
| 29. | Spring – dry no signs of standing water.  |
| 30. | Marshy grassland featuring the following species: cuckoo flower Cardamine               |
|     | pratensis, soft rush Juncus effusus, common spotted orchid Dactylor fichsii, Willow     |
|     | herb Epilobium, Marsh thistle Cirsium palustre, and Lesser celandine Ficaria verna.     |
| 31. | The buildings here are made out of old Cotswold stone with roosting potential for       |
|     | both bat and barn owls.   |
| 32. | Poor Semi improved grassland and scrub offering good reptile habitat                    |
| 33. | Semi improved cancerous grassland offers good reptile habitat with the following        |
|     | species present; upright brome Bromus, Cowslip Primula veris, knapweed Centaurea        |
|     | nigra, Ladies Bedstraw Galium verum and Forget-me-not Myosotis arvensis                 |
| 34. | Marshy grassland featuring hard rush Juncus inflexus, soft rush Juncus effuses, and     |
|     | bulrush Typha latifolia.  |
| 35. | Broad leaved Woodland featuring; Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna, Blackthorn                |
|     | Prunus spinose, , Hazel Corylus avellana, Bramble Rubus fruiticosus, Elder              |
|     | Sambucus, , Lesser celandine Ficaria verna, Bluebells Hyacinthoids non -scripta,        |
|     | Dogs mercury Mercurialis pernnis, Lords and Ladies Arum maculatum, Dog rose             |
|     | Rosa canina, Guelder Rose Viburnum opulus.  |
|     | High dormouse potential. High bat roosting potential. High foraging potential.          |
| 36. | Breeding Skylark.   |
| 37. | Broadleaved woodland containing; Beech Fagus sylvatica, wild garlic Allium ursinum,     |
|     | Bluebell Hyacinthoids non -scripta, Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna, Elder                  |
|     | Sambucus, Rowan Sorbus aucuparia. Some of the trees in the wood have high bat           |
|     | potential.  |
|     | Green wood pecker seen in the woodland during the survey.                               |
| 38. | Broadleaved woodland - Beech Fagus sylvatica, Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna,              |
|     | Ash Fraximus excelsior, Oak Bluebell Hyacinthoids non -scripta, Dogs mercury            |
|     | Mercurialis pernnis, Lords and Ladies Arum maculatum, Enchanters nightshade, Dog        |
|     | violet Violia riviniana, Wayfairing Viburnum lantana, Horse Chesnutt Aesculus           |
|     | hippocastanum and Hornbeam Carpinus betulus.  |
|     | There is also evidence of a pond that is now dried up.                                  |
| 39. | Avenue of mature trees along the road some of them have bat roosting potential.         |
|     | High bat commuting potential, Beech Fagus sylvatica, Elm Ulmus species and              |
|     | Sycamore Acer pseudoplatanus.   |
|     | Rough semi improved grass verge and dry stone wall provides good reptile and            |
|     | invertebrate habitat.   |



|     | Small plantation broadleaved woodland including; Ash <i>Fraximus excelsior, Lime Tilia</i> , Sycamore <i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i> Cow parsley <i>Anthriscue sylvestris</i> , Nettle <i>Urtica dioica</i> , Elde <i>r Sambucus nigra</i> , and Blackthorn <i>Prunus spinose</i> .   |
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| 41. | Hedgerow featuring Blackthorn <i>Prunus spinose</i> , Hawthorn <i>Crataegus Monogyna</i> , Ash <i>Fraximus excelsior</i> , Bramble <i>Rubus</i> , Holly <i>Ilex aquifolium</i> , Field Maple, Apple <i>Malus domestica</i> , Beech <i>Fagus sylvatica</i> , Elder <i>Sambucus nigra</i> , Hazel <i>Corylus avellana</i> . This is a potentially important hedgerow as it is displaying evidence of a dry-stone wall. There is evidence of heaving grazing from sheep.   |
| 42. | Old veteran Beech Fagus sylvatica, with large cavities and dense Ivy Hedera helix1.5 DBH with bat potential.  |
| 43. | Rough Grassland along the field margin that has reptile potential. Species featured; Red canary grass, Cocks foot <i>Dactylis glomerate</i> , Red fescue Festuca rubra, Barren brome <i>Anisantha sterlis</i> , Common Vetch, Creeping thistle <i>Circium spp</i> , cowslip <i>Primula veris</i> , dock <i>Rumex obtusifolius</i> , nettle <i>Urtica dioica</i>   |
| 44. | Mixed Plantation containing species including: Alder Alnus glutinosa, Lime Tilia sp. Field Maple, Apple Malus domestica, Privet Ligustrum ovalifolium, Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna, Oak Quercus robur, Sycamore Acer pseudoplatanus, Spruce Norway Picea abies, Ash Fraximus excelsior  |
| 45. | A dry-stone wall with scrub and rough grassland round the verge that is suitable habitat for reptiles. With species present including; bramble <i>Rubus</i> , nettle <i>Urtica dioica</i> , Red fescue Festuca rubra, Cocks foot <i>Dactylis glomerate</i> , creeping buttercup <i>Ranunculus repens</i> , dandelion <i>Taraxacum spp</i> , hedge woodwort, creeping thistle, hogweed, cow parsley, tufted vetch <i>Vicia cracca</i> , cross wort, knapweed <i>Centaurea nigra</i> , sedge, meadow vetchling <i>Lathyrus pratensis</i> , cinquefoil, tufted hair grass <i>Deschampsia cespitosa</i> , rib wort plantain <i>Plantago lanceolate</i> , dog rose <i>Rosa canina</i> , Agrimony <i>Agrimonia eupatoria</i> , White dead nettle <i>Lamium album</i> , Salade burnette <i>Sanguisorba minor</i> , Brome <i>Bromus</i> , Red champion <i>Silene dioica</i> , Rough hawkbit <i>Leontodon hispidus</i> |
| 46. | Small corpse with species including; Forget me not <i>Myosotic arvensis</i> , Dogs mercury <i>Mercurialis</i> , Ivy <i>Hedra helix</i> , Lords and ladies <i>Arum maculatum</i> , nettle, hart tongue fern <i>Asplenium scolopendrium</i> , male fern <i>Dryopteris filix-mas</i> , Ground ivy <i>Glechoma hederacea</i> , Wood speedwell Veronica montan, Willow herb <i>Chamerion angustifolium</i> and Orchid.  The broad-leafed woodland found at the quarry contains the following species; Elder <i>Sambucus nigra</i> , Ash <i>Fraximus excelsio</i> , Hawthorn <i>Crataegus Monogyna</i> , Sycamore <i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i> and Hazel <i>Corylus avellana</i> .  |
| 47. | Keepers Cottage appears to be from distance (viewed from footpath) to be of high bat roost potential.   |
| 48. | Mature Ash that has multiple deep holes with high bat potential.  |
| 49. | Semi improved grassland that features soft rush, creeping buttercup, Ox Eye Daisy, Vetch, Red fescue, meadow foxtail. The area has reptile potential and barn owl forging   |
| 50. | 2 old Ash <i>Fraximus excelsior</i> that features large rot holes with high bat potential.  |
| 51. | Old Quarry with a bike track, leading on to a semi improved grassland with scattered scrub, containing species such as; crosswort <i>Cruciata laevipes</i> , Segde <i>Cyperaceae</i> , Rib wort plantain <i>Plantago lanceolate</i> , Common vetch <i>Vicia sativa</i> , Nettle <i>Urtica</i>   |



|         | dioica, Bramble Rubus fruticosus, Cow parsley Anthriscus sylvestris. There is                    |
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|         | potential for good reptile habitat and barn owl foraging.  |
|         | It is possible species rich but due to lack of access could not survey further.                  |
| 52.     | Rough grassland with abundant Reed canary grass, sedges with makes good                          |
| <u></u> | potential habitat for reptiles and foraging habitat for barn owls.                               |
| 53.     |  |
|         | Broad leafed woodland with mature Beech trees <i>Fagus sylvatica</i> with high bat potential.    |
| 54.     | Old Ash <i>Fraximus excelsior</i> with bat roost potential surrounded by tall ruderal,           |
|         | scattered scrub and improved grassland with potential for reptiles.                              |
| 55.     | Old bank with exposed rock suitable for reptiles.  |
| 56.     | Farm with extensive various barns and farm buildings suitable for bats and barn                  |
|         | owls.  |
| 57.     | Hedgerow with semi improved grassland strips either side, species found; Ash                     |
|         | Fraximus excelsior, Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna, Field Maple, Apple Malus                        |
|         | domestica, Hazel Corylus avellana, Blackthorn Prunus spinose.                                    |
| 58.     | Strip of rough grassland that extends round the field margin adjacent to the                     |
|         | woodland and hedgerows between the dry-stone wall. Species found here are; nettle                |
|         | Urtica dioica, Meadow foxtail Alopecurus pratensis, Cow parsley, Nettle, Hedge                   |
|         | wound wort, Herb robert Geranuim robertianum, Creeping buttercup Ranunculus                      |
|         | repens, Cocks foot Dactylis glomerate, Chick weed Stellaria media, Creeping thistle              |
|         | Circium arvense.   |
| 59.     | Pond recently enhanced with shading tree removed and log piles/ wood chip created.               |
|         | Species found here include; silver grass, Creeping buttercup Ranunculus repens,                  |
|         | aquatic mint <i>Mentha citrate</i> . Line of grassland glade in woodland and dried up            |
|         | stream.  |
|         | The pond has GCN potential, the woodland has potential of dormice and bats                       |
|         | roosting potential in the large oak with rot holes.  |
| 60.     | Old Ash <i>Fraximus excelsior</i> with high bat potential in hedgerow, species include           |
|         | Hawthorn <i>Crataegus Monogyna</i> , Field Maple, Apple <i>Malus domestica</i> , Blackthorn      |
|         | Prunus spinose, Ash Fraximus excelsior   |
| 61.     | Rough Grassland semi improved featuring; Meadow Thistle Cirsium dissectum, Dock                  |
|         | Rumex, Brome Bromus erectus, Cocks foot Dactylis glomerate, Common Sorrel                        |
|         | Rumex acetosa, Common Vetch Vicia sativa, Red fescue Festuca rubra. The                          |
|         | grassland has reptile good potential.  |
| 62.     | Mixed woodland surrounds a small dried up stream that steams from the pond.                      |
| 63.     | Farm house that supports high potential roosting features for bats.                              |
| 64.     | Old Ash <i>Fraximus excelsior</i> with large split that has high roosting potential for bats.    |
| 65.     | Semi improved grassland with the following species; Cocks foot Dactylis glomerate,               |
|         | Creeping buttercup Ranunculus repens, False oat grass Arrhenatherum elatius,                     |
|         | Hogweed Heracleum sphondylium, White clover Trifolium repens, Dandelion                          |
|         | Taraxacum, Creeping Cinquefoil Potentilla reptans, Yorkshire fog Holcus lanatus,                 |
|         | Rib wort plantain <i>Plantago lanceolate</i> , Red clover <i>Trifolium pratense</i> , and Common |
|         | vetch Vicia sativa.  |
| 66.     | Large Sycamore Acer pseudoplatanus with bat potential covered in dense Ivy                       |
|         | Hedera and rot holes.  |
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|     | Species poor hedgerow featuring Sycamore <i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i> , Hawthorn  |
| 68. | Crataegus Monogyna, Ash Fraximus excelsior, Ivy, and wild privet  |
|     | Free standing Sycamore <i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i> with callas rolls that has high bat potential.                        |
| 69. | Line of trees free standing Sycamore Acer pseudoplatanus, Elder Sambucus nigr,  |
|     | Ash Fraximus excelsior  |
| 70. | Around the field margin species include Forget me not, Dove foot, Cranes Bill,  |
|     | Speedwell , Brome and Red clover <i>Trifolium pratense</i> and White clover <i>Trifolium</i>                            |
| 71. | repens  Hadgerow with trace appaies including Hazal Conduc avallance Spindle Evenumus                                   |
| ,   | Hedgerow with trees, species including Hazel Corylus avellana, Spindle Euonymus europaeus, Sycamore Acer pseudoplatanus |
| 72. | Corrugated barn which has features for Barn owl <i>Tyto alba</i> nesting potential.                                     |
| 73. | Hawthorn <i>Crataegus Monogyna</i> and Field Maple <i>Malus domestica</i> are evident here.                             |
| 74. | Barn building that has barn owl and roosting bat potential as well as nesting birds.                                    |
| 75. | Neutral grassland containing species such as false oat grass <i>Arrhenatherum elatius</i> ,                             |
|     | cleaver Galium aparine, Hog weed Heracleum sphondylium, Nettle Urtica dioica,   |
|     | Cocksfoot Dactylis glomerate, Cranesbill, False brome Anisantha sterlis, Speedwell                                      |
|     |   |
|     | Veronica, Forget me not <i>Myosotis arvensis</i> , Red fescue <i>Festuca rubra</i> , Yorkshire fog                      |
|     | Holcus lanatus, Shepard purses Capsella bursa-pastoris, Bed straw Galium aparine  |
| 76. | and Redshank. There is reptile habitat potential in this area.  |
| 70. | A plastic lined pond surrounded by tall ruderal, scrub and rubble. The area has good                                    |
| 77. | reptile and amphibian potential.  |
| 77. | Hedgerow featuring Damson, Bramble <i>Rubus</i> , Field Maple, <i>Malus domestica</i> ,                                 |
| 78. | Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna, Dog rose Rosa canina   |
| 70. | Cricket Clubhouse which has moderate potential for bats – cracks and holes in   |
| 79. | fascias and brickwork.  |
|     | Pond surrounded by amenity grassland with good amphibian potential.   |
| 80. | Hedgerow featuring Dogwood Cornus, Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna, Field Maple   |
|     | Malus domestica, Beech Fagus sylvatica, Guelder Rose Viburnum opulus,   |
| 0.4 | Blackthorn Prunus spinose, Hazel Corylus avellana, Apple Malus domestica  |
| 81. | Semi-improved grassland with potential for reptiles at the edges, containing the  |
|     | following species: Annual Meadow Grass poa annua, Yorkshire Fog Holcus lanatus,   |
|     | Perennial, White Clover Trifolium repens, Dovesfoot Cranesbill Geranium molle,  |
|     | Creeping Buttercup Ranunculus repens, Dock Rumex obtusifolius, Nettle Urtica  |
|     | dioica, Red Fescue festuca rubra, Hedge Woundwort Stachys sylvatica, Cock's foot  |
|     | Dactylis glomerate, Hair grass Deschampsia cespitosa.   |
| 82. | Mixed Woodland  |
| 83. | Ash Fraximus excelsior with dense ivy coverage that has bat roost potential.  |
| 84. | Hedgerow with potential for dormice containing Elder Sambucus nigra, Blackthorn   |
|     | Prunus spinose, Bramble Rubus, Hazel Corylus avellana, Dog rose Rosa canina,  |
|     | Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna and Clematis Clematis   |
| 85. | Semi-improved neutral grassland with reptile potential, featuring the following   |
|     | species: Dock Rumex obtusifolius, Creeping buttercup Ranunculus repens, Red   |
|     | Clover Trifolium pratense, Chickweed Stellaria media, White Clover Trifolium repens,                                    |
|     | Greater Plantain Plantago Major, Daisy Bellis perennis, Creeping Thistle Circium  |
|     | spp, Annual Meadow Grass Poa Annus, Perennial Rye Grass Lolium perenne,   |



|               | Cock's-foot Dactylis glomerate, Yorkshire Fog Holcus lanatus, Black Medick                           |
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|               | Medicago lupulina, Crested Dogstail Cynosurus cristatus, Spear Thistle Cirsium                       |
|               | vulgare, Yellow Rattle Rhianthus Minor, Dovesfoot Cranesbill Geranium molle,                         |
|               | Meadowsweet Filipedula ulmaria, Mint Mentha, Meadow Foxtail Alopecurus                               |
|               | pratensis, Ribwort Plantain Plantago lanceolate, Sheep Sorrel Rumex acetosella and                   |
|               | Horsetail Equisetum.   |
| 86.           | Ash Fraximus excelsior with bat potential in the hedgerow.   |
| 87.           | Broad leaved woodland containing Ash Fraximus excelsior, Field Maple Acer                            |
|               | Campestre, Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna, Blackthorn Prunus spinose, Hazel                             |
|               | Corylus avellana and Crack Willow Salix fragilis, some of which have bat potential.                  |
|               | On the Forest floor are species such as Wood Melick Melica uniflora, Dog's Mercury                   |
|               | Mercurialis perennis, Red Campion Silene dioica, Ground Ivy Glechoma hederacea,                      |
|               | Hedge Woundwort Stachys sylvatica, Nettle Urtica dioica, Cleaver Galium aparine,                     |
|               | Lords and Ladies Arum maculatum and Bluebell Hyacinthoides non -scripta.                             |
| 88.           | Pond with potential for reptiles and amphibians surrounded by species such as Mint                   |
|               | Mentha, Soft Rush Juncus effusus, Meadow Vetch Lathyrus pratensis, Floating                          |
|               | Sweetgrass Glyceria fluitans, Dock Rumex obtusifolius, Meadowsweet Filipedula                        |
|               | ulmaria, Red Campion Silene dioica, Common Vetch Vicia sativa, Enchanter's                           |
|               | Nightshade Circaea lutetiana, Greater Willowherb Epilobium hirsutum, Crack Willow                    |
|               | Salix fragilis, Goat Willow Salix caprea and Cock's-foot Dactylis glomerate.                         |
| 89.           | Semi-improved grassland with scattered scrub featuring Yarrow Achillea millefolium,                  |
|               | Creeping Buttercup Ranunculus repens, Perrenial Rye Grass Lolium perenne, Daisy                      |
|               | Bellis perennis, Cock's-foot Dactylis glomerate, Spear Thistle Cirsium vulgare,                      |
|               | Greater Plantain <i>Plantago Major</i> , Annual Meadow Grass <i>Poa Annus</i> , Ribwort              |
|               | Plantain <i>Plantago lanceolate</i> , Dock <i>Rumex obtusifolius</i> , Meadow Thistle <i>Cirsium</i> |
|               | dissectum, White Clover Trifolium repens, Red Clover Trifolium pratense, Crested                     |
|               | Dogstail Cynosurus cristatus, Birdsfoot Trefoil Lotus corniculatus, Germander                        |
|               | Speedwell Veronica chamaedrys, Sweet Vernal Grass Anthoxanthum odoratum,                             |
|               | Chickweed Stellaria media, Dovesfoot Cranesbill Geranium molle, Creeping Thistle                     |
|               | Circium spp, Meadow Foxtail Alopecurus pratensis, Woolly Thistle Cirsium                             |
|               | eriophorum, Hard Rush Juncus inflexus and Silverweed Argentina anserine.                             |
| 90.           | Pond with a concrete base.   |
| 91.           | Conifer Plantation   |
| 92.           | Broadleaved plantation, mainly consisting of Poplar <i>Populus tremula</i> trees.                    |
| 93.           | Mixed Woodland on banks featuring Ash trees <i>Fraximus excelsior</i> with rot holes                 |
|               | suitable for bats.   |
| 94.           | Hedgerow containing Hazel Corylus avellana and Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna,                          |
|               | suitable for dormice.  |
| 95.           | Hedgerow with trees and a ditch, featuring Dogrose Rosa canina, Blackthorn Prunus                    |
|               | spinose, Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna, Field Maple Acer Campestre, Hazel                              |
|               | Corylus avellana, Bramble Rubus and Ash Fraximus excelsior. There is potential for                   |
|               | dormice here.  |
| 96.           | Barn with bat and barn owl potential. The barn is directly adjacent to a veteran                     |
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|               | sycamore <i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i> with rot holes and callus rolls. Tall ruderals and               |
|               | rough grassland also surround the barn, suitable for reptiles.                                       |



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| 97.  | Verge suitable for reptiles with semi-improved tussocky grassland, scattered scrub           |
|      | and tall ruderals. Species include: Red Fescue festuca rubra, Cow Parsley                    |
|      | Anthriscus sylvestris, Nettle Urtica dioica, Hawthorn Crataegus Monogyna, False              |
|      | Oatgrass Arrhenatherum elatius, Grasses Poa spp, Common Vetch Vicia sativa,                  |
|      | Bramble Rubus, Clover Trifolium spp, Blackthorn Prunus spinose, Creeping                     |
|      | Buttercup Ranunculus repens, Dovesfoot Cranesbill Geranium molle, False Brome                |
|      | Anisantha sterlis, Forget-me-not Myosotis arvensis, Chickweed Stellaria media,               |
|      | Yorkshire Fog Holcus lanatus and Ragwort Jacobea vulgaris.                                   |
| 98.  | SR semi-improved grassland containing species such as Yorkshire Fog Holcus                   |
|      | lanatus, Crested Dogstail Cynosurus cristatus, Red Fescue festuca rubra, Selfheal            |
|      | Prunella, Spear Thistle Cirsium vulgare, White Clover Trifolium repens, Red Clover           |
|      | Trifolium pratense, Ribwort Plantain Plantago lanceolate, Creeping Buttercup                 |
|      | Ranunculus repens, Chickweed Stellaria media, Yellow Rattle Rhianthus Minor,                 |
|      | Dandelion <i>Taraxacum</i> , False Oatgrass <i>Arrhenatherum elatius</i> , Smooth Hawksbeard |
|      | Crepis capillaris, Catsear Hypochaeris radica, Common Vetch Vicia sativa,                    |
|      | Chickweed Stellaria media, Pyramidal Orchid Anacamptis pyramidalis, Creeping                 |
|      | thistle Circium arvense, Greater Plantain Plantago Major and Ragwort Jacobea                 |
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| 99.  | vulgaris.  |
| 33.  | Hedgerow containing Elder Sambucus nigra, Ivy Hedera helix, Hawthorn Crataegus               |
|      | Monogyna, Hazel Corylus avellana, Field Maple Acer Campestre, Elm Ulmus rubra                |
| 100  | and Blackthorn Prunus spinose.   |
| 100. | Buildings with low bat potential   |
| 101. | Broadleaved woodland containing Beech Fagus sylvatica, Wych Elm Ulmus glabra,                |
|      | Ash Fraximus excelsior, Lime Tilia sp., Pedunculate Oak Quercus robur, Hazel                 |
|      | Corylus avellana and Holly Ilex aquifolium. Also contains Wood Melick Melica                 |
|      | uniflora, Woodruff Galium odoratum, Wood False Brome Brachypodium sylvaticum,                |
|      | Harts tongue fern Asplenium scolopendrium, Wild garlic Allium oleraceum, Tufted              |
|      | hair grass Deschampsia cespitosa and Hard Shield Fern Polystichum aculeatum.                 |
|      | A mature broadleaved woodland on a steep slope with limestone outcrops. A number             |
|      | of trees have high bat potential and excellent foraging and also good for dormice and        |
|      | nesting birds.   |
| 102. | Parkland type landscape of semi-improved grassland and scattered broadleaved                 |
|      | woodland.  |
|      | The grassland is poor semi-improved with patches of Common Nettle Urtica dioica              |
|      | and Bracken as well as Soft Rush Juncus effusus and Marsh Thistle Cirsium                    |
|      | palustre, which indicate damp grassland.   |
|      | There are a number of scattered trees including Pedunculate Oak Quercus robur and            |
|      | Ash Fraximus excelsior and a number of mature species with high bat potential and            |
|      | moderate bid nesting potential.  |
| 103. | Viewed from the woodland edge, possible semi-calcareous grassland with a diverse             |
|      | mix of grasses and herbs including Quaking Grass <i>Briza media</i> , Crested Dogstail       |
|      | Cynosurus cristatus, Cock's-foot Dactylis glomerate, Annual Meadow Grass Poa                 |
|      | Annua, Sedge Carex sp., Marsh thistle Cirsium palustre, Ladies Bedstraw Galium               |
|      | verum, Meadow Buttercup Ranunculus acris, Common Spotted Orchid Dactylorhiza                 |
|      | fuchsii, Birdsfoot Trefoil Lotus corniculatus, Pyramidal Orchid Anacamptis                   |
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|      | pyramidalis, Crosswort Cruciata laevipes, Yellow wort Blackstonia perfoliate and             |



|      | Milkwort Polygala vulgaris. There is moderate potential for reptile habitat in the                  |
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|      | margins.  |
| 104. | Exposed soil from a slump has left excellent habitat for invertebrates, particularly                |
|      | solitary bees and wasps.  |
|      | Mature Willow <i>Salix spp</i> with high potential for bats as there are a number of cavities       |
|      | and a hollow base. There is a tree bumblebee nest in the tree.                                      |
| 106. | Spring but no standing water.   |
| 107. | A mature Oak <i>Quercus spp.</i> with several cavities and high bat and barn owl                    |
|      | potential.  |
| 108. | Dead Oak with flaky bark and rot holes and a high bat and invertebrate potential.                   |
| 109. | Plantation Broadleaved Woodland featuring Ash <i>Fraximus excelsior</i> , Wild Cherry               |
|      | Prunus Avuim, Pedunculate Oak Quercus robur, Field Maple Acer Campestre and                         |
|      | Lime <i>Tilia sp.</i> . The trees are mainly semi-mature planted trees with remnant mature          |
|      | and over-mature standards, some with high bat potential. The understory is generally                |
|      | sparse, except amid the margins. Species present include Wood Dock <i>Rumex</i>                     |
|      | sanguineus, Wood speedwell Veronica montan, Wood Avens Geum urbanum. There                          |
|      | is moderate dormouse potential although there is a poor understory.                                 |
| 110. | No access although likely a pond a distance from the path with bulrushes <i>Typha</i>               |
|      | gracilis visible. A Semi-improved poor grassland field with moderate reptile potential.             |
| 111. | Species rich hedge along the track containing the following species: Wild Privet                    |
|      | Ligustrum vulgare, Hazel Corylus avellana, Field Maple Acer Campestre, Hawthorn                     |
|      | Crataegus Monogyna, Holly Ilex aquifolium, Wych Elm Ulmus glabra, Dog rose Rosa                     |
|      | canina, Bush Vetch Vicia sepium, Wood Dock Rumex sanguineus, Herb robert                            |
|      | Geranuim robertianum, Black Bryony Dioscorea communis, Horse Chestnut                               |
|      | Aesculus hippocastanum and Sycamore Acer pseudoplatanus.  |
| 112. | An oval pond with an island, viewed from footpath. It has good water quality, no                    |
|      | ducks or fish, 10% shading and 60% vegetation cover. There is excellent terrestrial                 |
|      | habitat and a high potential for great crested newts.   |
| 113. | One mature and three smaller pollarded black poplars on hedge.                                      |
| 114. | A dry ditch next to a hedge with trees featuring Crack Willow Salix fragilis, Ash                   |
|      | Fraximus excelsior, Bramble Rubus, Elder Sambucus nigra, Hawthorn Crataegus                         |
| 445  | Monogyna, Elm Ulmus rubra and Common Nettle Urtica dioica.  |
| 115. | Verge of the A417, planted with trees and shrubs including Aspen <i>Populus tremula</i> ,           |
|      | Dog rose Rosa canina, Dogwood Cornus sanguinea, Wayfaring Viburnum lantana,                         |
|      | Damson <i>Prunus domestica</i> and Ash <i>Fraximus excelsior</i> and Pyramidal Orchid               |
|      | Anacamptis pyramidalis. There are patches of good reptile habitat on the grassy                     |
| 116. | verges and good dormouse habitat, although there is some loss of connectivity.                      |
|      | Small broadleaved woodland containing actively managed hazel coppice with mature                    |
|      | Hazel <i>Corylus avellana</i> . There is good dormouse potential with good connectivity to          |
| 117. | the hedgerow network.  A network of fields which appear to be semi-improved poor with areas of tall |
|      | A network of fields which appear to be semi-improved poor with areas of tall                        |
|      | ruderals. There is no access and two inaccessible footpaths. It is used as a mountain               |
| 118. | bike park and looks to have moderate reptile potential.   |
|      | Rough semi-improved poor grassland featuring Cock's-foot Dactylis glomerate,                        |
|      | Yorkshire fog Holcus lanatus, False oat grass Arrhenatherum elatius, Nettle Urtica                  |
|      | dioica, Wood Dock Rumex sanguineus, Creeping Thistle Circium arvense and                            |

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|      | Broad-leaved Dock Rumex obtusifolius. There is moderate reptile potential and good     |
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|      | Barn Owl foraging potential.   |
| 119. | Pedunculate Oak Quercus robur with numerous deep rot hole and fissures, creating       |
|      | a high bat potential.  |
| 120. | Mature Ash Fraximus excelsior with a high bat potential. There is a large split down   |
|      | the stem at the base with multiple deep rot holes.                                     |
| 121. | Semi-improved/semi-calcareous grassland. The area is mostly semi-improved but is       |
|      | locally herb rich in all three fields. Species include: Yellow Rattle Rhianthus Minor, |
|      | Crosswort Cruciata laevipes, Ribwort plantain Plantago lanceolate, Meadow              |
|      | Buttercup Ranunculus acris, Cock's-foot Dactylis glomerate, False oat grass            |
|      | Arrhenatherum elatius, Red fescue festuca rubra, Crested Dogstail Cynosurus            |
|      | cristatus, Cranesbill Geranium maculatum, Pyramidal Orchid Anacamptis                  |
|      | pyramidalis, Common vetch Vicia sativa, Ladies Bedstraw Galium verum, Red clover       |
|      | Trifolium pratense and Germander Speedwell Veronica chamaedrys. There is               |
|      | moderate reptile potential around the margins.   |
| 122. | A 3m x 2m pond with no shade, ducks or fish. There is 10% aquatic vegetation           |
|      | coverage of Floating Sweetgrass Glyceria fluitans. There is moderate potential for     |
|      | great crested newts, but perhaps a bit small. Only 10 bottle traps needed.             |