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Appendix E

E1 Hedgerow Survey Plan



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Appendix F

F1 Badger Survey Plan

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Appendix G

G1 Badger Territory Mapping Plan

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Appendix H

H1 Bat Tree and Building Roost Potential Survey Plan



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Building Roost Assessment

- Confirmed
- Moderate
- Demolished in 2019 after earlier bat surveys

Tree Roost Assessment 2020

- Confirmed roost
- High
- Moderate
- Low

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Appendix I

I1 Bat Activity Survey Plan





Appendix J

J1 Bat/Site Evaluation System

J1.1.1 The valuation system used in this report is modified from Wray et al., (2007). Values are assigned using a geographic frame of reference as shown in Table J.1. The scores used to assign these values are calculated using Table J.2. 'National Rarity' values used in Table J.2 are based on the categorisation system shown in Table J.3.

Table J.1: Site/species Valuation System

Geographic Frame of Reference	Score
Not Important	1 - 10
District, Local or Parish	11 - 20
County	21 - 30
Regional	31 - 40
National/UK	41 - 50
International	> 50

Table J.2: Calculation of Foraging/Commuting Habitat Scores (shown in brackets)

National Rarity	Activity	Site/Nearby Roost Potential	Habitat Characteristics
Common (2)	Low (5)	None (1)	Industrial or other site without established vegetation. Absence of linear features (1)
-	-	Small number (3)	Suburban areas or intensive arable land. Un-vegetated fences and large field sizes (2)
Rarer (5)	Moderate (10)	Moderate number/note known (4)	Isolated woodland patches, less intensive arable (moderate field sizes) and/or small towns and villages (3)
-	-	Large number of roosts, or close to a SSSI for the species (5)	Large or connected woodland blocks, mixed agriculture (small field sizes with well- grown, well-connected hedgerows) and small villages/hamlets (4)
Rarest (20)	High (20)	Close to or within a SAC for the species (20)	Mosaic of pasture (small fields), woodlands and wetland areas with complex network of

National Rarity	Activity	Site/Nearby Potential	Roost	Habitat Characteristics
				mature well-established hedgerows (5).

Table J.3: Categorisation of Bats by National Rarity

Rarity within Range	England	Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland
Common (population. over 100,000)	Common Pipistrelle Soprano Pipistrelle Brown Long- eared	Common Pipistrelle Soprano Pipistrelle	Common Pipistrelle Soprano Pipistrelle	Common Pipistrelle Soprano Pipistrelle
Rarer (population. 10,000 – 100,000)	Lesser Horseshoe Whiskered Brandt's Daubenton's Natterer's Leisler's Noctule Nathusius' Pipistrelle Serotine	Lesser Horseshoe Daubenton's Natterer's Brown Long- eared	Daubenton's Natterer's Brown Long- eared	Daubenton's Natterer's Leisler's Nathusius' Pipistrelle Brown Long- eared
Rarest (population. under 10,000)	Greater Horseshoe Bechstein's Alcathoe Greater Mouse- eared Barbastelle Grey Long- eared	Greater Horseshoe Whiskered Brandt's Bechstein's Alcathoe Noctule Nathusius' Pipistrelle Serotine Barbastelle	Whiskered Brandt's Alcathoe Noctule Nathusius' Pipistrelle Leisler's	Whiskered

Appendix K

K1 Dormouse Survey Plan



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Appendix L

L1 Riparian Mammal Survey Area Plan



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M1 Riparian Mammal Habitat Assessment Plan



Appendix N

N1 Otter Survey Plan





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O1 Bird Survey Area Plan



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P1 Breeding Bird Survey Plan



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Appendix Q

Q1 Wintering Bird Survey Plan



Appendix R

R1 Wintering Bird Survey Data 2018/2019

Common name	Scientific name	Monthly counts					
		26/10/2018	06/12/2018	19/12/2018	21/01/2019	15/02/2019	22/03/2019
Red-legged Partridge	Alectoris rufa	106	52	39	33	17	27
Grey Partridge	Perdix	0	2	0	0	0	0
Pheasant	Phasianus colchicus	22	19	3	7	5	12
Sparrowhawk	Accipter nisus	0	0	0	0	1	1
Red Kite	Milvus	8	4	4	3	4	9
Buzzard	Buteo	2	6	3	2	6	6
Golden Plover	Pluvialis apricaria	0	2	0	0	0	0
Black-headed Gull	Chroicocephalus ridibundus	<i>c</i> .330	3	20	28	40	0
Common Gull	Larus canus	0	0	0	2	2	0
Herring Gull	Larus argentatus	1	0	0	0	0	0
Feral pigeon	Columba livia ssp. domestica	<i>c.</i> 60	<i>c.</i> 60	<i>c</i> .60	c .60	<i>c.</i> 60	<i>c</i> .60
Stock Dove	Columba oenas	0	0	0	0	2	6
Woodpigeon	Columba palumbus	38	c.400	130	209	62	<i>c</i> .400
Collared Dove	Streptopelia decaocto	2	4	1	0	0	2
Great Spotted Woodpecker	Dendrocopus major	1	3	1	1	0	2

Common name	Scientific name	Monthly counts					
		26/10/2018	06/12/2018	19/12/2018	21/01/2019	15/02/2019	22/03/2019
Green Woodpecker	Picus viridis	0	0	0	1	0	0
Kestrel	Falco tinnunculus	1	1	0	0	0	0
Jay	Garrulus glandarius	1	5	1	2	3	1
Magpie	Pica	7	7	6	8	11	6
Jackdaw	Corvus monedula	42	0	0	20	4	2
Rook	Corvus frugilegus	11	0	0	0	0	0
Carrion Crow	Corvus corone	21	11	3	8	11	14
Coal Tit	Periparus ater	0	2	0	1	0	2
Blue Tit	Cyanistes caeruleus	10	9	10	12	12	16
Great Tit	Parus major	1	1	5	5	5	5
Skylark	Alauda arvensis	17	3	13	21	23	24
Long-tailed Tit	Aegithalos caudatus	12	16	1	14	4	4
Goldcrest	Regulus	1	4	1	4	1	
Wren	Troglodytes	2	8	2	3	3	14
Starling	Sturnus vulgaris	59	0	20	7	3	
Blackbird	Turdus merula	2	16	14	7	10	20
Fieldfare	Turdus pilaris	65	37	6	7	12	3
Redwing	Turdus iliacus	4	28	9	69	0	0
Song Thrush	Turdus philomelos	0	1	1	0	3	1
Mistle Thrush	Turdus viscivorus	0	0	0	1	0	0
Robin	Erithacus rubecula	6	5	8	4	18	11
Dunnock	Prunella modularis	10	2	5	8	5	10
Common name	Scientific name	Monthly counts					
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		26/10/2018	06/12/2018	19/12/2018	21/01/2019	15/02/2019	22/03/2019
Pied Wagtail	Motacilla alba	6	21	5	0	13	1
Meadow Pipit	Anthus pratensis	3	1	1	0	0	2
Chaffinch	Fringilla coelebs	5	3	6	3	5	12
Bullfinch	Pyrrhula	1	1	1	0	1	1
Greenfinch	Chloris	0	0	0	0	0	1
Linnet	Linaria cannabina	3	0	0	163	c.220	<i>c</i> .200

Appendix S

S1 Wintering Bird Survey data 2017/2018

Common name Scientific name			Monthly counts			
		20/12/2017	17/01/2017	22/02/2018		
Red-legged Partridge	Alectoris rufa	44	20	21		
Grey Partridge	Perdix	0	0	1		
Pheasant	Phasianus colchicus	1	6	6		
Sparrowhawk	Accipter nisus	0	2	0		
Red Kite	Milvus	1	9	13		
Buzzard	Buteo	4	4	1		
Black-headed Gull	Chroicocephalus ridibundus	22	20	12		
Common Gull	Larus canus	1	5	0		
Herring Gull	Larus argentatus	0	2	0		
Yellow-legged Gull	Larus michahellis	0	1	0		
Lesser Black-backed Gull	Larus fuscus	1	1	0		
Stock Dove	Columba oenas	1	0	0		
Woodpigeon	Columba palumbus	20	27	127		
Green Woodpecker	Picus viridis	0	0	1		
Kestrel	Falco tinnunculus	1	0	0		
Jay	Garrulus glandarius	1	0	0		
Magpie	Pica	5	1	19		
Jackdaw	Corvus monedula	0	0	29		
Carrion Crow	Corvus corone	18	9	22		

Common name	Common name Scientific name		Monthly counts			
		20/12/2017	17/01/2017	22/02/2018		
Coal Tit	Periparus ater	1	2	3		
Blue Tit	Cyanistes caeruleus	11	12	13		
Great Tit	Parus major	3	3	11		
Skylark	Alauda arvensis	1	0	31		
Long-tailed Tit	Aegithalos caudatus	3	32	9		
Goldcrest	Regulus	3	0	0		
Wren	Troglodytes	4	6	6		
Starling	Sturnus vulgaris	14	10	68		
Blackbird	Turdus merula	14	16	15		
Fieldfare	Turdus pilaris	0	0	108		
Redwing	Turdus iliacus	7	4	5		
Song Thrush	Turdus philomelos	1	4	0		
Robin	Erithacus rubecula	8	10	12		
House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	5	0	0		
Dunnock	Prunella modularis	3	5	5		
Pied Wagtail	Motacilla alba	3	0	12		
Meadow Pipit	Anthus pratensis	4	7	0		
Chaffinch	Fringilla coelebs	4	8	7		
Bullfinch	Pyrrhula	2	1	0		
Greenfinch	Chloris	1	0	4		
Linnet	Linaria cannabina	1	0	0		
Goldfinch	Carduelis	73	13	8		

Common name	Scientific name		Monthly counts	
		20/12/2017	17/01/2017	22/02/2018
Yellowhammer	Emberiza citrinella	1	9	15

Appendix T

T1 Wintering Bird Survey data 2021/2022

Common name	Scientific name	Monthly counts				
		16/11/2021	14/12/2021	19/01/2022	16/02/2022	
Red-legged partridge	Alectoris rufa	30	21	7	5	
Pheasant	Phasianus colchicus	7	7	22	24	
Sparrowhawk	Accipter nisus	1	1	1	0	
Red Kite	Milvus milvus	5	11	3	13	
Buzzard	Buteo buteo	3	1	1	1	
Black-headed Gull	Chroicocephalus ridibundus	25	48	26	10	
Common Gull	Larus canus	0	0	2	2	
Lesser black- backed gull	Larus fuscus	0	0	0	1	
Feral pigeon	Columba livia ssp. Domestica	0	0	5	0	
Stock Dove	Columba oenas	1	0	0	1	
Woodpigeon	Columba palumbus	230	534	189	80	
Collared Dove	Streptopelia decaocto	0	1	1	0	
Great spotted woodpecker	Dendrocopus major	1	0	1	1	
Jay	Garrulus glandarius	2	2	0	0	
Magpie	Pica pica	9	8	11	4	

Common name	Scientific name	Monthly counts			
		16/11/2021	14/12/2021	19/01/2022	16/02/2022
Carrion Crow	Corvus corone	4	8	2	3
Coal Tit	Periparus ater	1	0	2	1
Blue Tit	Cyanistes caeruleus	22	24	26	20
Great Tit	Parus major	1	1	2	5
Skylark	Alauda arvensis	8	3	1	9
Long-tailed Tit	Aegithalos caudatus	8	7	14	3
Goldcrest	Regulus regulus	1	1	0	1
Wren	Troglodytes	4	3	3	9
Starling	Sturnus vulgaris	10	2	0	0
Blackbird	Turdus merula	20	17	13	11
Fieldfare	Turdus pilaris	2	3	0	0
Redwing	Turdus iliacus	67	29	5	2
Song Thrush	Turdus philomelos	2	4	4	8
Robin	Erithacus rubecula	10	16	8	18
Stonechat	Saxicola rubicola	0	0	0	1
Dunnock	Prunella modularis	4	5	7	5
Pied Wagtail	Motacilla alba yarelli	2	1	2	1
Meadow Pipit	Anthus pratensis	0	1	0	0
Chaffinch	Fringilla coelebs	16	13	5	10
Brambling	Fringilla montifringilla	1	0	0	0
Greenfinch	Chloris chloris	0	1	1	0
Linnet	Linaria cannabina	3	0	0	2

Common name	Scientific name	Monthly counts					
		16/11/2021	14/12/2021	19/01/2022	16/02/2022		
Lesser redpoll	Acanthis cabaret	0	1	0	0		
Goldfinch	Carduelis carduelis	61	33	45	13		
Siskin	Spinus spinus	0	8	6	3		
Yellowhammer	Emberiza citrinella	51	48	2	49		
Reed bunting	Emberiza schoeniclus	0	0	0	1		

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Appendix V

V1 Reptile Survey Area Plan



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Order Limits



Low Density Slow-worm Population

No Reptiles Identified

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W1 Reptile Survey Results Plan



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Order Limits

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Appendix X

X1 Pond Location Plan



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Legend

- Order Limits
- District Borough Unitary Region
- 500m Buffer Ponds

Ponds

- Dry
- Wet

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Appendix Y

Y1 Amphibian Survey Results

Pond 1: TL1202	221	Torching				Refuge search						
Date of survey	Surveyors	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ			
26/04/2018	Jenny Singh + Livvy Cropper	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
03/05/2018	Alys Black + Steven Mills	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
08/05/2018	Steven Mills + Livvy Cropper	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
15/05/2018	Alys Black + Zak Newman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
22/05/2018	Alys Black + Zak Newman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			

Pond 2: TL122	221	Torching				Refuge sea	irch		
Date of survey	Surveyors	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ
26/04/2018	Jenny Singh + Livvy Cropper	0	0 0		0	0	0	0	0
03/05/2018	Alys Black + Steven Mills	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
08/05/2018	Steven Mills + Livvy Cropper	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Pond 2: TL122	221	Torching				Refuge sea	ırch			
15/05/2018	Alys Black + Zak Newman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
22/05/2018	Alys Black + Zak Newman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Pond 5: TL127	215	Torching				Refuge search						
Date of survey	Surveyors	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ			
26/04/2018	Jenny Singh + Livvy Cropper	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
03/05/2018	Alys Black + Steven Mills	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
08/05/2018	Steven Mills + Livvy Cropper	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
15/05/2018	Alys Black + Zak Newman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
22/05/2018	Alys Black + Zak Newman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			

Pond 6: TL128	215	Torching				Refuge sea	irch		
Date of survey	Surveyors	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ
26/04/2018	Jenny Singh + Livvy Cropper	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Pond 6: TL128	215	Torching				Refuge sea	arch		
03/05/2018	Alys Black + Steven Mills	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
08/05/2018	Steven Mills + Livvy Cropper	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15/05/2018	Alys Black + Zak Newman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22/05/2018	Alys Black + Zak Newman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Pond 8: TL132	212	Torching				Refuge search					
Date of survey	Surveyors	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ		
26/04/2018	Jenny Singh + Livvy Cropper	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0		
03/05/2018	Alys Black + Steven Mills	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
08/05/2018	Steven Mills + Livvy Cropper	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
15/05/2018	Alys Black + Zak Newman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
22/05/2018	Alys Black + Zak Newman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		

Pond 12: TL12	5218	Torching				Refuge search						
Date of survey	Surveyors	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ			

Pond 12: TL12	5218	Torching				Refuge sea	ırch					
15/05/2018	Alys Black + Zak Newman	0	0	0	0	0 0 0 0 0						
22/05/2018	Alys Black + Zak Newman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			

Pond 1 TL1	20221	Torching		Refuge search			Bottle trapping				Sweep netting				Egg search						
Date of survey	Surveyors	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ
23/04/2020	Rebecca English + Livvy Cropper	0	0	0	0													0	0	0	0
30/04/2020	Tom Wright + Rob Randall	0	31	1	0					0	0	0	0					0	0	0	0
06/05/2020	Jacob Haddon + Rob Randall	0	0	0	0					0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
14/05/2020	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0	0	0	0
19/05/2020	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	0	1	0	0					0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				

Pond 2 TL	122221	Torch	ning			Refu	ge se	arch		Bottle	e trap	oping]	Swee	p net	tting		Egg	j sea	rch	
Date of survey	Surveyor s	GC N	S N	C F	C T	GC N	S N	C F	C T	GC N	S N	C F	С Т	GC N	S N	C F	C T	GC N	S N	C F	С Т
23/04/202 0	Rebecca English + Livvy Cropper	0	0	0	0																
30/04/202 0	Tom Wright + Rob Randall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0	0	0	0
14/05/202 0	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0								
19/05/202 0	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0	0	0	0				

Pond 5: TL127215		Torch	ing			Refuge	e searc	h	
Date of survey	Surveyors	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ
30/04/2020	Tom Wright + Rob Randall	0	8	3	0	0	7	0	6
06/05/2020	Jacob Haddon + Rob Randall	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
14/05/2020	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	0
19/05/2020	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	0	6	1	0	0	0	0	0

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Pond 6: TL128215		Torch	ing			Refuge	searc	h	
Date of survey	Surveyors	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ
30/04/2020	Tom Wright + Rob Randall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
06/05/2020	Jacob Haddon + Rob Randall	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
14/05/2020	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
19/05/2020	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	0	3	0	6	0	0	0	0

Note: GCN = Great Crested Newt, SN =

Smooth Newt, CF = Common Frog, CT = Common Toad

Pond 8: TL	.132212	Torcl	ning			Refu	ge se	arch	1	Bottl	e traj	opinę	9	Swee	p ne	tting		Egg s	searc	h	
Date of survey	Surveyor s	GC N	S N	C F	C T	GC N	S N	C F	С Т												
30/04/202 0	Tom Wright + Rob Randall	0	1	4	0					0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1				
06/05/202 0	Jacob Haddon + Rob Randall	0	8	1	1					0	0	0	0					0	0	0	0
14/05/202 0	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0								
19/05/202 0	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	0	1	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0								

Pond 12: TL1	125216	Torch	ning			Refuç	je se	arch		Swee	p net	ting		Egg	searc	ch	
Date of survey	Surveyors	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ
30/04/2020	Tom Wright + Rob Randall					0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
06/05/2020	Jacob Haddon + Rob Randall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0	0	0	0
14/05/2020	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	Pond	dry						·		·	-	·		·	-	

Pond 13: T	L128212	Torch	ning			Refuç	ge se	arch		Bottle	e trap	oping]	Swee	p ne	tting		Egg	j sea	rch	
Date of survey	Surveyor s	GC N	S N	C F	С Т	GC N	S N	C F	С Т	GC N	S N	C F	С Т	GC N	S N	C F	C T	GC N	S N	C F	C T
23/04/202 0	Rebecca English + Livvy Cropper	0	0	0	0													0	0	0	0
30/04/202 0	Tom Wright + Rob Randall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0									0	0	0	0
06/05/202 0	Jacob Haddon + Rob Randall					0	0	0	0					0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14/05/202 0	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0									0	0	0	0
19/05/202 0	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				

Pond 14: T	L127212	Torch	ning			Refuç	ge se	arch		Bottle	e trap	oping]	Swee	p ne	tting		Egg	j sea	rch	
Date of survey	Surveyor s	GC N	S N	C F	C T	GC N	S N	C F	С Т	GC N	S N	C F	С Т	GC N	S N	C F	C T	GC N	S N	C F	C T
23/04/202 0	Rebecca English + Livvy Cropper	0	0	0	1													0	0	0	0
30/04/202 0	Tom Wright + Rob Randall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0									0	0	0	0
06/05/202 0	Jacob Haddon + Rob Randall					0	0	0	0					0	0	0	0				
14/05/202 0	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0	0	0	0
19/05/202 0	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	0	1	0	3					0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0				

Pond 15: TL1262	12	Torch	ning			Refuç	je se	arch		Bottle	e trap	ping		Swee	p net	ting	
Date of survey	Surveyors	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ
30/04/2020	Tom Wright + Rob Randall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
06/05/2020	Jacob Haddon + Rob Randall					0	0	0	0					0	0	0	0
14/05/2020	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0	0	0	0
19/05/2020	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0								

Pond 16: TL146223		Torchi	ng			Refuge	e sear	ch		Egg se	arch		
Date of survey	Surveyors	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ
23/04/2020	Tom Wright + Jacob Haddon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30/04/2020	Tom Wright + Rob Randall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
06/05/2020	Jacob Haddon + Rob Randall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14/05/2020	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	Pond d	ry										

Pond 19: TL105203		Torchi	ng			Refuge	e sear	ch		Egg se	arch		
Date of survey	Surveyors	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ	GCN	SN	CF	СТ
23/04/2020	Tom Wright + Jacob Haddon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30/04/2020	Tom Wright + Rob Randall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
06/05/2020	Jacob Haddon + Rob Randall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14/05/2020	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19/05/2020	Rebecca English + Rob Randall	Pond d	ry										

Appendix Z

Z1 Roman Snail Survey Plan

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Appendix AA

AA1 National Vegetation Classification (NVC) Report



VEGETATION SURVEY & ASSESSMENT

LUTON AIRPORT EXPANSION

BOTANICAL ASSESSMENTS

First issued October 2018 Revised and re-issued June 2019



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I. INTRODUCTION

This report brings together the results of a number of botanical surveys undertaken in 2018 and 2019 to provide a baseline of information about vegetation communities and plant species within land with potential to be directly or indirectly affected by the proposed expansion of Luton Airport.

The work included the following elements:

- National Vegetation Classification surveys of semi-natural woodlands and neutral grassland on farmland adjacent to the airport;
- A National Vegetation Classification survey of Wigmore Park County Wildlife Site; and
- Surveys of arable plant communities in farmland adjacent to the airport.

2. METHODS

2.1 Personnel

All fieldwork, analysis and interpretation of vegetation data was undertaken by Sharon Pilkington CEnv MCIEEM, a botanist, bryologist and vegetation ecologist with 19 years' experience of professional assessment.

2.2 Grassland and Woodland

Identification of habitat parcels where National Vegetation Classification (NVC) survey would be undertaken was partly driven by the results of a Phase I Habitat survey undertaken in 2015 (May, 2015). In addition, an initial walkover of the whole survey area was undertaken on 11 June 2018 to confirm appropriate areas for woodland and grassland sampling.

Some of the grasslands that were surveyed were wide strips of arable headland that appeared to have been sown and managed under an environmental stewardship scheme. Whilst such grassland would not normally be included in an NVC survey, some of these areas appeared to be well-established and relatively diverse, so a precautionary approach was taken.

8 stands of grassland and 4 stands of semi-natural woodland were sampled with a total of 56 quadrats from 12 - 15 June 2018 during good weather conditions. At this time of year both lowland grassland and woodland vegetation is in optimal floristic and structural condition for NVC sampling.

Standard NVC sampling methodology (Rodwell 2006) was employed for the grasslands. None of the woodland stands was sufficiently large to be sampled by standard means and so the minimalistic NVC woodland sampling approach set out by Hall, Kirby & Whitbread (2004) was employed instead. Five quadrats were sampled in all but the smallest stands of vegetation, where a single quadrat was sampled.

MATCH¹ software was employed to analyse the quadrat data and to highlight potential affinities with published NVC communities/sub-communities. Surveyor experience and detailed descriptions of vegetation communities provided by Rodwell (1991, 1992 and 2000) were subsequently used to confirm the classification of each stand in NVC terms where appropriate.

2.3 Wigmore Park CWS

Vegetation communities within Wigmore Park CWS were mapped and assessed between 20 and 24 May 2019. Wherever possible, the same NVC sampling approach used for grassland and woodland communities in 2018 was employed to collect floristic data and map vegetation and 29 quadrats were

¹ Vegetation analysis software developed by scientists from the University of Lancaster for NVC classification.

sampled and analysed. However, the secondary origins of much of the vegetation there combined with the effects of high levels of trampling and other public disturbance meant that a more pragmatic approach had to be employed when interpreting sample data. Vegetation was therefore only classified as an NVC community or sub-community where its floristic character (through field evaluation and/or analysis of quadrat samples) was convincing.

2.4 Evaluation of Vegetation Communities

Following analysis and interpretation of the NVC data, each vegetation community was accorded a relative intrinsic botanical value by considering the following criteria, among others:

- Whether it would be classified as a NERC Act Section 41 priority habitat;
- Whether it would be considered a scarce or rare example of that vegetation type in the area;
- Its 'naturalness' i.e. its resemblance to type NVC community/sub-community, age and condition;
- Its species diversity; and
- Whether it supports populations of any plants of recognised conservation importance.

Table 2.1 lists the criteria used to define plants of national or regional conservation importance.

Conservation Category	Status	Definition	Reference
Extent	Nationally Rare (NR) Nationally Scarce (NS)	A taxon present in 1-15 10km Ordnance Survey grid squares in Britain post-1950 A taxon present in 16-100 10km Ordnance Survey grid squares in Britain post-1950	New Atlas of the British and Irish Flora (2002) by C.D Preston, D.A. Pearman and T.D. Dines.
	Locally Rare or Scarce	A species listed as Rare or Scarce in Bedfordshire or Hertfordshire.	Hertfordshire Plant Red Data List. In the Flora of Hertfordshire (2009) by T.J. James.
			Bedfordshire Rare Plant Register (extract provided by the Bedfordshire and Luton Biodiversity Recording and Monitoring Centre)
Threat (IUCN Red List)	Critically Endangered (CR)	A taxon facing an extremely high risk of regional extinction in the wild in the near future.	The Vascular Plant Red Data List for Great Britain (2005) by JNCC (Eds.
	Endangered (EN)	A taxon that is not CR but facing a very high risk of regional extinction in the wild in the immediate future.	C.M Cheffings and L. Farrell).
	Vulnerable (VU)	A taxon that is not CR or EN, but facing a high risk of regional extinction in the medium-term future.	Also: A Vascular Plant Red List for England (2014) by BSBI (Eds. P.A. Stroh et al)
Conservation	NERC Act Section 41	A taxon identified by the Secretary of State as being of principle importance for the purpose of conserving biodiversity in England.	Section 41 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities (NERC) Act 2006

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2.5 Arable Plants

Surveys for arable plants were mainly undertaken during the period 16 - 20 July 2018, the timing of which is optimal for identification of the majority of species in this group. A number of earlier-flowering species were also recorded in some of the fields during the grassland and woodland surveys in June.

14 arable fields were surveyed; several of these (Fields 1, 5 and 6) were fallow at the time of survey and were surveyed by searching for species along margins as well as the interior. All other fields had maturing crops of wheat and were surveyed by searching the margins of each field.

A repeat survey of two fields (5 and 6) was undertaken between 20 and 25 May 2019. These fields had been sown with a grassland seed mixture in 2017 or 2018, but not subsequently cultivated.

Plantlife has developed a methodology for determining sites of importance for arable plant conservation (Byfield & Wilson, 2005). Although it is aimed principally at identifying nationally important sites, known as Important Arable Plant Areas, the approach works equally well on a smaller scale.

It works on the premise that certain rare and declining plants indicative of arable habitats are assigned a numerical score of between I and 9 (Table 2.2). When assessing the arable plant assemblage of a site (at farm, field or field margin level), the individual species scores are summated to give an overall score which allows an evaluation of conservation importance (Table 2.3).

Score	Species Status		
9	Threatened: Critically Endangered (CR)		
8	Threatened: Endangered (EN)		
7	Threatened: Vulnerable		
6	Near Threatened (NT)		
5	Additional Nationally Scarce, in 16-100 10km squares; change index < -1.0		
4	Additional Nationally Scarce: in 51-100 10km squares, change index > -1.0		
3	Species of local concern: in 101 to 500 10km squares		
2	Species of local concern: in 501 to 1000 10km squares		
	Species of local concern: in 1001 to 1500 10km squares, change index < 0.0 i.e. negative		

Table 2.2. Scoring categories for arable plant species

Table 2.3. Provisional threshold scores for assessing the conservation importance of arable plant sites

	Chalk and limestone-derived soils (excluding clays)	Clays	Sands and freely draining acidic soils
European importance	90+	70+	70+
National importance	45-89	30-69	35-69
County importance	30-44	20-29	20-34

The fields within the survey area lie over chalk bedrock (Lewes Nodular Chalk, Seaford Chalk, Holywell Nodular Chalk and New Pit Chalk Formations). This outcrops at the surface in many fields, but locally there are also superficial deposits of clay-with flints producing soils derived from clay, silt, sand and gravel.

2.6 Limitations

All surveys were undertaken at an optimal time of year and in reasonable weather conditions and no significant constraints were encountered in the grassland or woodland of the farmland.

Recent scrub clearance across extensive areas of Wigmore Park presented challenges classifying the resultant regenerating vegetation. Elsewhere, heavy trampling pressure by recreational users, disturbance and, more locally, high levels of rabbit grazing had produced a spectrum of short grassland communities that defied attempts to place in NVC communities.
3. **RESULTS**

Figure I shows the distribution of grassland and woodland communities classified in the 2018 surveys and tabulated NVC data collected from these sites is given in Appendix I. Figure 2 is an equivalent vegetation map of Wigmore Park CWS and Appendix II gives the tabulated field data. A list of all species recorded in all NVC surveys is provided as Appendix III.

Botanical nomenclature used in this report follows Stace (2010) for vascular plants and Blockeel *et al* (2014) for bryophytes.

3.1 Woodland

Semi-natural woodland was quite scarce in the area and the stands that were present were small and showed evidence of having been managed in traditional ways in the past, followed by a long period of neglect. Two different kinds of broad woodland community were classified from the stands on site but the floristic differences between them were relatively subtle and blurred by the effects of a lack of recent silvicultural management.

Mature woodland was characterised by a closed canopy of deciduous trees, most notably Pedunculate Oak Quercus robur, Ash Fraxinus excelsior, locally dominant Hornbeam Carpinus betulus and Wild Cherry Prunus avium. Where an understory was present, Holly *llex aquifolium*, Hawthorn Crataegus monogyna and Elder Sambucus nigra were frequent.

In stands classified as **W8 Fraxinus excelsior – Acer campestre – Mercurialis perennis** woodland, Pedunculate Oak was subordinate to Ash in the canopy and Field Maple Acer campestre was a common understory/sub-canopy tree. Bluebell *Hyacinthoides non-scripta* was vernally dominant, where frequent field layer associates included several other ancient woodland indicators (AWI) e.g. Wood Millet *Milium effusum*, Yellow Archangel *Lamiastrum galeobdolon* subsp. *montanum* and Threenerved Sandwort *Moehringia trinervia*. High cover of Bramble *Rubus fruticosus* agg. in the field layer suggested nutrient enrichment of the woodland floor whilst Common Ivy Hedera helix was also very common on deeply shaded ground below the trees.

Fraxinus – Acer – Mercurialis woodland is ubiquitous in lowland districts on well-drained, base-rich soils and it includes ancient, secondary and some replanted broad-leaved stands. The floristic composition of the sampled stands was insufficient to place them in any of the seven sub-communities of W8.

Secondary clay-with-flints woodland in the southern half of Winch Hill County Wildlife Site was acidic in character and was classified as an undifferentiated form of **W10 Quercus robur – Pteridium aquilinum – Rubus fruticosus woodland**. This kind of woodland is characteristic of base-poor brown earths mainly in the lowlands of southern Britain.

In this community, sub-mature Pedunculate Oak and birch (Silver Birch Betula pendula, Downy Birch B. pubescens and probable B. x aurata) dominated the 15m high canopy. Most of the trees were maidens but some had been coppiced in the distant past. A poorly-developed understory included Elder, Hawthorn, Hazel Corylus avellana and Honeysuckle Lonicera periclymenum. Bracken Pteridium aquilinum, Bramble, Honeysuckle, Bluebell and Yorkshire-fog Holcus lanatus were all prominent in the field layer. The floristics of this woodland could not place it with any confidence into any of the sub-communities of Quercus – Pteridium – Rubus woodland.

This woodland adjoined a visually striking and apparently older copse of near-pure mature Hornbeam, where the trees had been coppiced historically, although not in recent times. Apart from sparse Ash, Field Maple and birch, there were no other canopy species and only sparse Hawthorn and Elder below. Bluebell was abundant but had few field layer associates. Fallen dead wood was very common but it was very dry and consequently supported only sparse populations of very common mosses and liverworts. This woodland did not fit well into the NVC framework scope and was regarded as W8-W10 intermediate.

Vegetation	Botanical Value	Rationale
community	Vulue	
W8	Low to moderate	 Not an S41 priority habitat; W8 is a very common and widespread kind of lowland woodland on base-rich soils; Both stands of W8 are small and the larger one has been modified by localised in-planting of exotic conifers and other non-native trees and shrubs. Canopy closure due to lack of recent management and eutrophication of the woodland floor have also degraded it and it cannot be assigned to a sub-community. The smaller stand is little more than an outgrown hedgerow; It supports no populations of plants of recognised conservation importance; the larger stand does support several ancient woodland indicator species so may be relatively old; Ancient/old semi-natural woodland is scarce in the area; Both stands have relatively low diversity.
W10	Low	 Not an S41 priority habitat; W10 is a very common and widespread kind of lowland woodland on acid soils; The majority of this stand (part of Winch Hill Wood CWS) is still developing/maturing. It is not currently a good example of W10 and cannot be referred to a sub-community; It supports no populations of plants of recognised conservation importance; it does support several ancient woodland indicator species which may have colonised from the older part of the CWS.
W8-W10 intermediate	Low to moderate	 Not an S41 priority habitat; Ancient woodland – but it has been greatly modified by traditional intensive management as Hornbeam coppice and has poorly developed understory and field layers. It supports no populations of plants of recognised conservation importance but there is a large population of Bluebell and other AVVI are present in low numbers; Ancient semi-natural woodland is scarce in the area; It lacks diversity in all structural layers.

Table 3.1. Evaluation of woodland communities

3.2 Grassland

Grasslands within the survey area were typically of two kinds; long-established and unmanaged stands on banks and in fenced-off enclosures between arable fields and wide uncultivated headlands in intensively cultivated fields managed (presumably) under an agri-environment agreement as grassland.

All stands were found to be examples of mesotrophic grassland and the majority were classified as **MGI** Arrhenatherum elatius grassland or **MG6** Lolium perenne – Cynosurus cristatus grassland.

Stands of Arrhenatherum grassland were variable but in every one False Oat-grass Arrhenatherum elatius was frequent to abundant and usually constant, alongside a range of associates which differentiated the stands into sub-communities. MGI is a very widespread kind of grassland which is characteristically associated with unmanaged (or very lightly managed) habitats on fertile, well-drained but moist soils in the lowlands.

The **Festuca rubra sub-community (MGIa)** formed part of a wide arable field headland. This stand was grass-dominated with few forbs, although it did support a small population of Common Spotted-orchid *Dactylorhiza fuchsii*. Red Fescue *Festuca rubra*, Rough Meadow-grass *Poa trivialis* and Yorkshire-fog were all constant and abundant along with False Oat-grass. Hogweed *Heracleum sphondylium* was the most abundant forb, although Meadow Buttercup *Ranunculus acris* and Smooth Tare *Vicia tetrasperma* were also frequent. Numerous other species were present but only in small quantity. MGIa is one of the least diverse and most widespread of the five *Arrhenatherum* grassland sub-communities and is commonly associated with fertile, circumneutral soils.

Examples of the **Urtica dioica sub-community (MGIb)** were found on ungrazed banks and in rough scrubby grassland between cultivated fields. In this sub-community Common Nettle *Urtica dioica* was usually prominent, alongside several other nutrient-demanding forbs e.g. Hogweed, Creeping Thistle *Cirsium arvense* and Cleavers *Galium aparine*. Patches of tall perennial forbs such as Rosebay Willowherb *Chamerion angustifolium* and Great Willowherb *Epilobium hirsutum* were developing in certain stands. Analysis of the quadrat data collected in these stands suggested that the grassland was moving toward **OV24 Urtica dioica – Galium aparine community**, a very common kind of weedy vegetation in which robust herbaceous species replace grasses.

MG1b is a very common and usually poor sub-community and is most common in areas of intensive arable agriculture, where it benefits from enrichment caused by fertiliser run-off and spray drift. The *Urtica* – *Galium* community is typical of eutrophic, moist but well-aerated soils in the lowlands and is especially frequent in open situation where there has been some kind of disturbance.

Two stands of unmanaged scrubby Arrhenatherum grassland (**MGI undifferentiated**) could not be placed with confidence in any sub-community. In these False Oat-grass was very dominant and there was a thick layer of thatch at tiller level. Certain of the associated species were calcicoles, including Traveller's-joy *Clematis vitalba*, Wild Basil *Clinopodium vulgare* and Carrot *Daucus carota* and the stands seemed to be associated with thinner soils where chalk was close to the surface.

Two small stands of **MG6 Lolium perenne – Cynosurus cristatus grassland** were also present. Most, but not all examples of *Lolium – Cynosurus* grassland originate as sown agricultural swards and the community is characteristic of a range of grazed pastures.

In the **Typical sub-community (MG6a)**, the stand was part of a wide grass headland in an arable field. Despite being dominated by such grasses as Crested Dog's-tail *Cynosurus cristatus*, Red Fescue, Rough Meadow-grass and Yorkshire-fog, the community was relatively diverse and supported many different common forbs. Meadow Buttercup, Red Clover *Trifolium pratense*, Carrot and Hoary Ragwort *Senecio erucifolius* were all prominent and there was also a large population of Common Spotted-orchid. The Typical sub-community is very common but rather variable and includes a range of older re-seeded grasslands on freely draining brown earths.

In the **Trisetum flavescens sub-community (MG6c)**, the vegetation had a distinctly calcareous flavour. This grassland, though unmanaged, was hard-grazed by rabbits on a small chalk bank and small/rosette-forming species were very common. It was also moderately rich in forbs, including a number of calcicoles: Fairy Flax *Linum catharticum*, Hoary Plantain *Plantago media* and Mouse-ear Hawkweed *Pilosella officinarum*. Populations of Spreading Meadow-grass *Poa humilis* and Narrow-leaved Meadow-grass *P. angustifolia*, both of which are relatively uncommon, were also supported by this community.

Constant and frequent species included Yellow Oat-grass Trisetum flavescens, Red Fescue, Smaller Cat's-tail Phleum bertolonii, Common Knapweed Centaurea nigra, Ribwort Plantain Plantago lanceolata, Yarrow Achillea millefolium and Black Medick Medicago lupulina.

The *Trisetum flavescens* sub-community of *Lolium-Cynosurus* grassland is less widespread than the other two sub-communities of MG6 and is characteristically associated with more calcareous and nutrient-deficient brown earths.

Other grass headlands in arable fields could not be classified as any particular NVC community and were instead mapped as **Neutral grassland – unclassified** (referred to as MG in Appendix I). These typically included quite diverse mixtures of species that had almost certainly been sown (Italian Ryegrass *Lolium multiflorum*, Cock's-foot *Dactylis glomerata*, Rough Meadow-grass) along with many that had probably already been present in the seedbank e.g. Soft-brome *Bromus hordeaceus*, Bristly Oxtongue *Helminthotheca echioides* and Cut-leaved Crane's-bill *Geranium dissectum*. Locally abundant False Oat-grass suggests that given more time such swards are likely to develop into forms of *Arrhenatherum* grassland.

Vegetation Community/sub-	Botanical Value	Rationale							
community									
MGIa, MGIb,	Low	 Not S41 priority habitat; 							
MGI		• Very common and widespread unmanaged neutral grassland types;							
Neutral grassland -		• Examples in arable headlands have sown origins;							
unclassified		 Only common species are present; 							
		 All stands have low species diversity. 							
MG6a	Low	 Not S41 priority habitat; Very common and widespread kind of neutral grassland; Sown origin as an arable headland; Moderately diverse and supports a large population of Common Spotted-orchid, which is rare in the survey area. 							
MG6c	Moderate	 Not S41 priority habitat; Relatively uncommon sub-community, restricted to more calcareous soils; Maintained only by rabbits but threatened by scrub encroachment; Only grassland in survey area to support populations of a number of grassland calcicoles; Moderately diverse. 							

 Table 3.2. Evaluation of grassland communities

3.3 Wigmore Park CWS

3.3.1 Grassland

Across the CWS the majority of grassland was considered to be neutral (or mesotrophic) grassland and included a complete spectrum of diversity (from species-rich to species-poor) and structure (tall, rank vegetation to heavily trampled grassland). The edges of much of the grassland often did not form clear transitions to other vegetation types and Bramble was a frequent successional colonist, leading to a number of indeterminate communities.

Where trampling and grazing pressure was light, most neutral grassland could be classified as **MGI Arrhenatherum elatius grassland**, normally characterised by prominent False Oat-grass and other common mesotrophic grasses as described in Section 3.2. Four sub-communities were found to be present, along with a variable kind of *Arrhenatherum* grassland that could not be allocated to any sub-community. In this undifferentiated MGI, other species typically replaced some of the False Oat-grass, including, locally, Narrow-leaved Meadow-grass *Poa angustifolia*, Cut-leaved Crane's-bill *Geranium dissectum* and various legumes.

Of the four sub-communities, the floristic characteristics of two - the Festuca rubra subcommunity (MGIa) and the Urtica dioica sub-community (MGIb) were broadly similar to those seen on land nearby (Section 3.2). Small areas of species-poor rank Arrhenatherum grassland with abundant Wild Parsnip Pastinaca sativa subsp. sylvestris replacing Hogweed were loosely referable to the Pastinaca sativa sub-community (MGId) which is typical of brown earth soils of higher pH caused by underlying base-rich bedrock, rubble or other superficial material. High cover of Common Knapweed and/or Common Bird's-foot-trefoil Lotus corniculatus within a matrix of False Oat-grass and other coarse grasses was indicative of a sward with affinity to the Centaurea nigra sub-community (MGIe). In the south of the CWS, extensive stands of a closely related herb-rich neutral grassland were present and were differentiated from MGIe by very low frequency and cover of grasses and particularly high cover of Common Bird's-foot-trefoil and/or Common Knapweed, a result of high levels of rabbit grazing. This community could not be placed in any NVC community but was relatively diverse locally, supporting populations of Common Spotted-orchid, Black Medick, Cock's-foot and Red Fescue. Much of it was degraded by the invasion of Bramble and large, well-established dense patches of a Michaelmas-daisy Aster sp. and Wood Small-reed Calamagrostis epigejos. A grassier version of the same community (herb-rich grassland - trampled) was frequent in and by some of the paths across the site, with trample-resistant species as Creeping Bent Agrostis stolonifera and plantains Plantago spp. becoming prominent.

Two small stands of rabbit-grazed **herb-rich calcareous grassland** were found but lacked the majority of indicators of any recognised NVC CG community. Floristically this community was quite diverse and shared the majority of species with its neutral counterpart including high cover of Common Bird's-foot-trefoil, Red Fescue and Ribwort Plantain. It differed primarily in the presence of two mainly calcicolous species – Glaucous Sedge *Carex flacca* and Fairy Flax. Small Scabious *Scabiosa columbaria* was locally abundant but typical lowland calcareous grassland grasses were almost entirely absent.

Well-used walker's paths across the site supported closed, trampled turf referable to the **OV23** Lolium perenne – Dactylis glomerata community which is a species-poor kind of vegetation characteristic of recreational areas where there may be continuous disturbance. It supported a range of species able to withstand frequent trampling, including Perennial Rye-grass, Cock's-foot, Ribwort Plantain, White Clover, Daisy *Bellis perennis* and Annual Meadow-grass *Poa annua*.

Small depressions on the upper part of the CWS held no water at the time of survey but clearly had impeded drainage and supported several forms of damp grassland. Two of these were characterised by a densely stoloniferous carpet of Creeping Bent with various associates but only one had weak affinities to an NVC community. Examples of the **OV28** Agrostis stolonifera – Ranunculus repens community were uniformly dominated by Creeping Bent alongside Creeping Buttercup Ranunculus

repens, Ribwort Plantain, Hairy Sedge Carex hirta and a scattering of small grassland forbs. The presence of the semi-aquatic moss Drepanocladus aduncus was an indicator of seasonally fluctuating water levels. Similar but more diverse vegetation (Agrostis stolonifera – Potentilla reptans grassland) with abundant Creeping Cinquefoil Potentilla reptans could not be classified in the NVC. Finally, Sedge-rich neutral grassland in another seasonally damp depression proved to be equally unclassifiable. Here, numerous tussocks of Grey Sedge Carex divulsa grew within a matrix of Common Bird's-foot-trefoil, Cut-leaved Crane's-bill Geranium dissectum and Creeping Cinquefoil.

3.3.2 Woodland and scrub

Large stands of dense Bramble scrub were present on the site, especially over mounds of rich and fertile soil and on the lower flanks of the site. Where well-grown, this scrub had weak affinities to **Rubus fruticosus – Holcus lanatus underscrub (W24)**, the frequency of thistles placing it most closely to the **Cirsium arvense – Cirsium vulgare sub-community (W24a)**. This is a very species-poor type which is characteristic of disturbed places where brambles have invaded open ground. The community represents succession toward tall scrub and woodland and many of the stands were punctuated by immature trees and large bushes of Hawthorn and other scrub species.

Although Hawthorn was frequent as scattered bushes, only in a few places was it dense enough to be classified as **W21** Crataegus monogyna – Hedera helix scrub. Such stands were typically dominated by tall Hawthorn, often with some Elder or Blackthorn *Prunus spinosa* below. Its field layer species included Common Nettle, Ground-ivy *Glechoma hederacea* and Rough Meadow-grass.

An old and long-outgrown field hedgerow marking the eastern boundary of the CWS had widened and matured sufficiently to be classified as **W8 Fraxinus excelsior – Acer campestre – Mercurialis perennis woodland**. Some in-planting of species such as Scots Pine *Pinus sylvestris* had taken place but essentially the woodland had a similar floristic composition and physiognomy to other stands of W8 nearby (Section 3.1). The oldest trees were mature Pedunculate Oak, with some Ash and formerly coppiced Hazel below. The frequency of calcicolous understory and field layer species, especially Field Maple and Dog's Mercury confirmed this as a woodland of base-rich soils closest to the *Hedera helix* sub-community (W8d), typical of situations where lack of management has caused long-term canopy closure. Locally, large numbers of Bluebell were also present.

Several stands of **planted trees and shrubs** were also present, especially along the western (airport) and northern boundary banks. Here, dense plantings of native and introduced species were not yet mature and included Italian Alder *Alnus cordata*, Field Maple, Wild Cherry and Swedish Whitebeam *Sorbus intermedia*. Locally, numerous suckers were advancing out into adjacent ground where Aspen *Populus tremula* had been planted on the bank.

Various willows had also been planted in places, with mature examples of Goat Willow Salix caprea especially prominent and usually part of a mosaic with nettle or bramble-dominated vegetation. In a site not noted for its bryophyte interest, these trees supported significant populations of epiphytic moss and liverwort, including a few locally uncommon mosses (*Orthotrichum stramineum*, *O. striatum*).

Other **dense native mixed scrub** could not be assigned to any NVC community. Typically stands of this included much Elder, together with a little Hawthorn, Blackthorn, some Bramble and Pedunculate Oak, Ash and Sycamore Acer pseudoplatanus saplings.

3.3.3 Tall herb and ruderal

Nettle beds were frequent and were particularly characteristic of spoil heaps and less disturbed areas and in mosaics of bramble and longer grassland. The majority had the floristic characteristics of the **OV24** Urtica dioica – Galium aparine community and particularly the **Typical sub-**community (OV24a). This kind of vegetation tended to be dominated by tall patches of Common Nettle, growing over variable amounts of Cleavers. Most of the stands were very species poor but some had a few scattered associates e.g. Rough Meadow-grass and Hemlock Conium maculatum.

Small areas of recently disturbed or heavily trampled semi-open vegetation characterised by a number of low-growing pioneering species could not be classified as an NVC type and were instead mapped as **ephemeral and disturbed** vegetation. These areas, whilst small, were highly variable but were characterised by such species as Sticky Mouse-ear *Cerastium glomeratum*, Wall Speedwell *Veronica arvensis*, Parsley-piert *Aphanes arvensis*, Annual Meadow-grass, Slender Sandwort *Arenaria leptoclados* and Slender Pearlwort *Sagina filicaulis*.

3.3.4 Mosaics

The vegetation of the CWS was very complex and much of it was represented by mosaics of two or more of the vegetation types described in Section 3. An estimate of the respective percentage cover of different types of vegetation in mosaics is given in the key to Figure 2.

Vegetation Community/sub-	Botanical Value	Kationale
community		
MGIa, MGIb, MGId, MGI, OV23, OV28, Agrostis stolonifera – Potentilla reptans grassland OV24, W21, W24, Dense Clematis vitalba, Dense mixed native scrub, Planted trees and shrubs All mosaics	Low	 Common and widespread unmanaged / lightly managed communities; Only common species are present; All stands have low species diversity. Includes some deliberately planted stands of trees and scrub; Mosaics predominantly include significant elements of species-poor tall herb and bramble-dominated vegetation. Open vegetation is locally degraded and threatened by scrub encroachment and trampling.
MG1e, Herb-rich neutral grassland (trampled), Sedge-rich neutral grassland, W8d, Ephemeral and disturbed	Low- moderate	 Range of grassland communities with some semi- natural character or diversity but lacking formal conservation status e.g. S41 priority habitat; Grasslands have no populations of notable species and locally show some degradation by scrub invasion; W8 is a very common and widespread kind of lowland woodland on base-rich soils. This example is not ancient but has some botanical interest being derived from an old hedge boundary; Ephemeral and disturbed vegetation supports a diverse community of pioneering plants, some of which are likely to be uncommon in the wider area.
Herb-rich calcareous grassland Herb-rich neutral grassland	Moderate	 Locally uncommon grassland communities though not referable to NVC or S41 priority habitat; Moderately diverse; Only grasslands in survey area to support populations of a number of grassland calcicoles (Herb-rich calcareous grassland only); Sward integrity is locally degraded and threatened by scrub encroachment and trampling.

 Table 3.3. Evaluation of Wigmore Park Vegetation Communities

3.4 Arable Plants

Figure 2 ranks each field according to its arable plant score in 2018, with results provided on a fieldby-field basis in Table 3.4 and Figure 3 ranks each field accordingly. Following the resurvey of Fields 1 and 6 in 2019, Table 3.5 provides updated results for those fields and Figure 4 ranks each field accordingly. Appendix IV provides a record of all plants recorded in these fields in the course of both years of the fieldwork.

Species	S	S Field Number													
	ore	I	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Black-grass Alopecurus myosuroides	2	Х	Х		Х	Х	Х	Х		Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Stinking Chamomile Anthemis cotula	7														Х
Rye Brome Bromus secalinus	7		Х	Х	X	Х		Х	Х	Х		Х	Х	Х	Х
Cornflower Centaurea cyanus	8	X					Х								
Dwarf Spurge Euphorbia exigua	6	X				Х	Х		Х					Х	Х
Common Cudweed Filago vulgaris	6						Х								
Few-flowered Fumitory Fumaria vaillantii	7						Х								
Corn Marigold Glebionis segetum	7	Х					Х								
Round-leaved Fluellen Kickxia spuria	3							Х	Х					Х	
Dwarf Mallow Malva neglecta	2			Х											
Wild Radish Raphanus raphanistrum subsp. raphanistrum	I	X	X												
Field Madder Sherardia arvensis	Ι		Х						Х					Х	
Smooth Tare Vicia tetrasperma	2						Х	Х							
Field assemblage score		24	П	9	9	15	38	14	17	9	2	9	9	19	23

Table 3.4. Field scores (2018)

Table 3.5. Field scores (2019)

Species	Score	Field Number			
		I	6		
Black-grass Alopecurus myosuroides	2	Х	Х		
Lesser Quaking-grass Briza minor	5	Х			
Cornflower Centaurea cyanus	8	Х	Х		
Wild Radish Raphanus raphanistrum subsp. raphanistrum	I	Х			
Field assemblage score		16	10		

In 2018 Field 6 scored most highly (38) and supported 7 species of interest. These included a single small population of Few-flowered Fumitory *Fumaria vaillantii* (a Nationally Scarce species) on the eastern margin at TL 1334 2174 (Plate I), scattered plants of Cornflower *Centaurea cyanus* which if of native (archaeophyte) origin is a Nationally Rare species, Corn Marigold *Glebionis segetum* and a large population of Dwarf Spurge *Euphorbia exigua*. The latter two species are listed on the Bedfordshire Rare Plant Register.

Although this score suggested Field 6 (which lies both on clay and chalk) could be of county importance (chalk and limestone-derived soils) or even national importance (clay soils) other species present in the field indicated that it had been sown with wildflower seed in the recent past. For example, Austrian Chamomile *Anthemis austriaca* was occasional in the field. This non-native species is frequently introduced as a contaminant of grass or wildflower seed. Other species more characteristic of grassland than cultivated ground were also frequent in Field 6, again suggesting that some recent seeding has taken place. At the southern end of Field 6 a field corner where very thin, stony soils predominated supported a small population of Common Cudweed *Filago vulgaris* (a Bedfordshire Rare Plant Register species); it was not seen in any of the other fields.

In 2019 the floristic character of Field 6 was found to have changed significantly, reflecting (i) the establishment of many of the perennial grassland species sown previously and (ii) lack of cultivation, allowing perennial or biennial species to colonise and replace annual arable-associated plants. Though certain arable weeds such as Black-grass remained frequent, there was high frequency and cover of e.g. Common Knapweed, Oxeye Daisy *Leucanthemum vulgare*, Spear Thistle *Cirsium vulgare*, Hedge Mustard *Sisymbrium officinale* and Red Fescue. Only 2 arable indicator species were found – including Lesser Quaking-grass Briza minor, a plant not found in any of the 2018 surveys - giving Field 6 a field assemblage score of 10 (38 in 2018).

In 2018 Fields I and I4 scored highly enough to be considered to be of county importance (for clay soils – both fields straddle the chalk and clay). Field I also supported a strong population of Dwarf Spurge and was the only field other than Field 6 to support small populations of Cornflower and Corn Marigold. By 2019 however, Field I supported a vegetation community similar to that in Field 6 and its field assemblage score dropped to 16 (24 in 2018).



Plate 1. Few-flowered Fumitory in Field 6 in 2018

The margins of a wheat crop in Field 14 also supported a small population of Dwarf Spurge as well as numerous plants of the Nationally Scarce² Rye Brome *Bromus secalinus* (Plate 2). Field 14 was also the only one to support a small population of Stinking Chamomile Anthemis cotula.



Plate 2. Rye Brome growing in wheat in Field 7 in 2018

All of the other fields (surveyed only in 2018) had limited arable plant interest, other than populations of Rye Brome and Black-grass *Alopecurus myosuroides*. Rye Brome was recorded in 11 of the 14 fields surveyed i.e. all those cultivating wheat, whilst Black-grass was seen in 12 and appears to be regarded as a troublesome weed in the area. In the majority of fields intensive cultivation techniques had confined arable plant interest to one or two chalky field corners that had escaped the herbicides, whilst the majority of margins were devoid of all but the most common arable plants.

Table 3.6 summarises the value of each of the 14 fields, based on the most recent survey results available. Numbers given in brackets refer to older / superseded values. Using the most recent survey results, only Field 14 would currently be considered to be of (county) importance for arable plants.

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Field Score	Value	Field Number	No. of fields
31-40	High	(6)	0(1)
21-30	Moderate	(1), 14	I (2)
11-20	Low	1, 2, 5, 7, 8, 13	6 (5)
1-10	Negligible	3, 4, 6, 9-12	6 (5)

Table 3.6.	Evaluation	of arable	plant	communities
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 $^{^{2}}$ Currently regarded as a Nationally Scarce species and one whose past decline merited inclusion on the Red List as Vulnerable. However, in the past two decades it has returned as a common seed contaminant of wheat crops in Britain and in the author's opinion it no longer merits any conservation status.

4. CONCLUSIONS

The LLAL landholding to the east of the existing airport comprises mainly intensively cultivated fields with small associated areas of unmanaged grassland and semi-natural woodland.

Grasslands in this area are of two main types. Those of apparently semi-natural origin on banks and between fields are predominantly coarsely structured and of low or negligible botanical interest. Other younger swards sown as wide grassy headlands within intensively cultivated fields were less rank and a little more diverse but were considered to represent a very common and widespread kind of neutral grassland. Only one semi-natural grassland stand, on a chalky bank, was considered to have moderate value. However, without scrub control it is likely that this small stand will be lost within a few years.

Woodlands represented typical stands of base-rich and base-poor communities in southern England and although small, at least two appeared to be of considerable age. Lack of recent silvicultural management and enrichment of the field layer has left them in relatively poor condition.

Wigmore Park CWS has diverse vegetation communities, the majority of which it is not possible to place within the framework of the NVC. This is a commonplace occurrence when vegetation is (i) relatively young, (ii) overlies very variable substrate and (iii) is overgrazed or subject to high levels of disturbance. All of the above are relevant to Wigmore Park, which is heavily used by dog walkers and other recreational users and which appears to have a large population of rabbits.

As such, the most diverse/interesting vegetation communities cannot be classified in a standard way (for example as Section 41 priority habitat). However, their local value should still be recognised. Unfortunately the lack of regular livestock grazing at Wigmore Park means that Bramble and expanding rhizomatous patches of introduced Michaelmas-daisy are, and will continue to be, a threat to the extent and quality of herb-rich neutral and calcareous vegetation.

Arable land in the area is mostly managed in a very intensive way and in many fields the regular application of fertiliser and herbicide means that arable plant communities are poorly developed and favour certain species tolerant of such treatment.

The withdrawal of such management allowed certain fields (I and 6 especially) to develop diverse arable plant communities of county importance or greater in 2018. However, a year later the lack of cultivation (creating the bare ground needed for the germination of many annual 'weeds') and the growth of many grassland species sown in 2017 or 2018 had greatly reduced the visible arable plant interest of these two fields to low levels. On this basis, only Field 14 would be considered to be of county importance for arable plant species in 2019.

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FIGURES

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- 3 Arable Plant Field Scores (2018)
- 4 Arable Plant Field Scores (2019)









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	2183	2207	1796	1688	1750	2126	2126	2118	2128	2134
NVC community	MG1b	MG1b	MG1b	MG1b	MG1b	MG6c	MG6c	MG6c	MG6c	MG6c
Agrostis capillaris						3			1	1
Arrhenatherum elatius	9	9	5	6	7	2	1	1	1	
Bellis perennis						1	1	1		2
Centaurea nigra						6	4	5	5	4
Cerastium fontanum							3	3	2	3
Cirsium arvense	3	2	1		2					
Crataegus monogyna										1
Crepis capillaris						1				
Cynosurus cristatus								2	2	3
Dactylis glomerata				4		1				2
Dactylorhiza fuchsii										
Daucus carota									2	4
Epilobium tetragonum						2				
Festuca rubra				4	3	3	3	4	3	4
Galium aparine	3	5	7	2	2					
Geranium dissectum			2	4	1	3			1	
Heracleum sphondylium	4	4		4	5	1				
Holcus lanatus				5	-	2				
Hypericum perforatum				-			4	5	2	1
Lamium album	5			2	3		•		_	_
Linum catharticum				_		2			2	2
Medicago lupulina						4	7	5	6	7
Myosotis arvensis						3		3	0	,
Odontites vernus		1				5		1		1
Phleum bertolonii		_				3	3	2	3	4
Pilosella officinarum								4	6	7
Plantago lanceolata						5	6	3	2	2
Plantago media							4	5	1	1
Poa angustifolia							•	2	2	_
Poa humilis						2		_	1	2
Poatrivialis	3	3	5	3	3		3			
Prunella vulgaris	-	-				4	-	4	3	
Ranunculus acris						4	2	4	1	
Rosa sp. (seedling)							1			
Rumex obtusifolius	1						-			
Scorzoneroides autumnalis						1				
Senecio jacobaea						4	3	2	1	1
Taraxacum agg.							1	_	-	_
Trifolium pratense							-		1	2
Trifolium repens							4	3	2	
Trisetum flavescens						4	3	3	3	4
Urtica dioica	2	4	7	6	4				<u> </u>	
Veronica arvensis	-		,			2				
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	1783	1780	1760	1761	1744	1637	1625	1590	1470	1454
NVC community	MG1	MG1	MG1	MG1	MG1	MG1b	MG1b	MG1b	MG1b	MG1b
Anisantha sterilis				1	2				1	
Arrhenatherum elatius	8	9	9	8	9	9	9	5	4	6
Artemisia vulgaris								1		
Brachythecium rutabulum					2					
Bromus hordeaceus			2	3					3	
Cerastium fontanum					1					
Chaerophyllum temulum				5					1	
Chamerion angustifolium						5			8	7
Cirsium arvense	1		2		3	1	1		2	4
Clematis vitalba	4	4	4	1	5					
Clinopodium vulgare	3			4						
Conium maculatum										4
Crataegus monogyna					1					
Daucus carota	4		4	2	3					
Epilobium hirsutum								8		
Epilobium parviflorum	2			2	1					
Epilobium tetragonum	2		1		2		2		2	
Galium aparine		2		1	1		2	2	2	4
Geranium dissectum	4	4	3	1	1		1			
Geranium molle			1	1						
Helminthotheca echioides	4			2	2					
Heracleum sphondylium									2	
Holcus lanatus	2	1							5	1
Medicago lupulina	1				2					
Myosotis arvensis	1			1	1			2	3	
Oxyrrhynchium hians	4	3	3	2	3					
Plantago lanceolata					1					
Poatrivialis	4	3	3	4	3		2	4	4	2
Prunus spinosa									4	
Rubus fruticosus agg.				2				4		
Rumex crispus									4	
Rumex obtusifolius					1					
Sambucus nigra			1							
Senecio erucifolius					2		2	4	4	
Senecio jacobaea	2	1	3	3						
Taraxacum agg.	1									
Torilis japonica					1					
Urtica dioica			1		1	1	4	4	3	5
Veronica arvensis	1									
Veronica persica	1									
Vicia sativa	1		1	1						
Vicia tetrasperma		2	2							
LITTER	5	5	5	6	4	4	4	4		

Quadrat number	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
Grid reference	TL138622	TL138932	TL139392	TL140662	TL141232	TL142702	TL142482	TL142362	TL142082	TL141842
	1580	1558	1547	1539	1565	1705	1717	1726	1746	1764
NVC community	MG									
Agrostic stalanifora	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
Apicantha storilic	2	2			2	2	1		2	1
Arrhonathorum alatius		2	4	7	2		1	1		
Prochythocium rutabulum		2	4	/	Z	5	4 E	4	1	3
Brachythecium rutabulum				2	2	1	2	4 F	4 F	4
Bromus hordeaceus	4		4	2	5	4	4	5	5	4
	4		4						1	
Cerastium fontanum	-						1	1		-
Cirsium arvense	5	4	6	4	4	4	4	5	6	5
Cirsium vulgare	1		4		2	4				1
Clematis vitalba				1	4					
Clinopodium vulgare			1	2						
Conium maculatum				1						
Convolvulus arvensis										4
Corylus avellana							4			1
Crataegus monogyna	1			1						
Dactylis glomerata	8	7			8	4		4	4	
Epilobium parviflorum								1	1	2
Epilobium sp. (seedling)	1				1					
Epilobium tetragonum			1			1	1	2		2
Erigeron acris						2				
Galium aparine	1		1	2	1				1	1
Geranium dissectum	1	3	3	3	4	3	4	3	4	3
Geranium molle										
Helminthotheca echioides		1	1	2		4		5	1	5
Heracleum sphondylium						1			1	1
Holcus lanatus	6	4	7	5	5		5			
Hypochaeris radicata						1				
Inula conyzae						4				
Lolium multiflorum								5	6	
Lolium perenne										3
Mvosotis arvensis			1	1	1	3	2	3	2	
Odontites vernus				3			1			
Plantago major				-				1		
Poatrivialis	4	6	4	4	4	6	5	6	5	6
Prunella vulgaris				1						-
Prunus spinosa			1	4			1		4	1
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Banunculus repens						4		4	_	
Rosa sn (seedling)				1						
Rubus fruticosus agg	1	5		1	1					
Rumey crispus	-	J		-	-	1			1	1
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Rumox conquinous	-	-	-	-	-		2			
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Taraxacum agg.				1		1	1	1	1	1
Iragopogon pratensis				1	-					
Irifolium pratense			-		1				1	
Urtica dioica	1	3	4	1	2			-		
Vicia tetrasperma	3	4	5	5	4		1	4	3	
LITTER								4		2
BARE GROUND		4		4	4	4	4			

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NVC community	Structurar unit	000	VVO	VVO	000	000	0100	0100	0100	0100	0100
Acer campestre	Understory	4		8	5	4					
Arrhenatherum elatius											1
Betula pubescens	Canopy						7	7	8	8	8
Betula sp.	Canopy	4									
Betula sp.	Field layer						2	1	2	2	
Brachythecium rutabulum			2					3	4		3
Carpinus betulus	Canopy	5	7		8	7					
Carpinus betulus	Field layer									1	1
Carpinus betulus	Understory						4			4	
Chaerophyllum temulum					1	4					
Conopodium majus						4					
Corylus avellana	Understory	5		5		1	4	4	4	5	4
Crataegus monogyna	Field layer						2	2	2	3	
Crataegus monogyna	Understory	2		4		4		1	4		
Dactylis glomerata					1						
Deschampsia cespitosa											4
Dicranella heteromalla				3							
Fraxinus excelsior	Canopy		4	4	4	5					
Fraxinus excelsior	Field laver				2		2	2	2	2	
Fraxinus excelsion	Understory								4	1	
Galium anarine	onderstory	4	2	4		5	3	3		2	4
Geranium robertianum		4	5			5	5	5		-	
Glachoma badaracea			5						2		6
Hodora boliy	Canony		1	1	E	1			5		U
Hedera helix	Eigld Javor	2	4	4	3	4					
Holeus Japatus	Field layer	5	2	4	4	4	2	4	2		2
Huseinthoides non scripta		1	2	7	1	1	6	4	3	1	2 E
Hyperine supressiferme age		4	5	/	4	4	0	2	4	4	5
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llex aquifolium	Canopy	4	5	4	-	-	4		4	4	1
liex aquifolium	Understory	4	5		5	5	1		1	1	1
						2	1	2	-	1	2
Kindbergia praetonga		4	4	4		2	3	- 3	5	2	3
Lamiastrum galeobdolon		8	8	4	0	-	2		0	2	4
	Et al de la caraci	4	5		ð	5	0	4	6	0	5
Lonicera periciymenum	Field layer						/	4		4	6
Lonicera periciymenum	Understory						1	4		2	1
Lophocolea bidentata			-		-			2			
Milium effusum		4	5	6	2	4					
Mnium hornum			2				2				
Moehringia trinervia		2	4			4	1	4	4	4	
Poatrivialis					4	2	3	4	2	1	4
Prunus avium	Canopy	7	7		4	5					
Prunus avium	Field layer					1					
Prunus avium	Understory			4		1					
Prunus laurocerasus	Understory					4					
Prunus spinosa	Field layer							2		2	
Prunus spinosa	Understory					2	4	5	6	4	1
Pteridium aquilinum								7	4	5	2
Quercus robur	Canopy	6	4	7		4	8	6	4	5	6
Rosa canina	Understory							1			
Rubus fruticosus agg.		5	4	5		1	2	6	5	4	6
Rumex sanguineus					1						
Salix caprea	Canopy							5		4	
Sambucus nigra	Field layer		1								
Sambucus nigra	Understory	4	5	4	2		2	4		2	1
Schedonorus giganteus											1
Stachys sylvatica										1	
Stellaria holostea											4
Stellaria media						5					
Taraxacum agg.					1						
Ulex europaeus	Understorv								1		
Urtica dioica			1		4						

Quadrat number		51	52	53	54	55	56
Grid reference		TL134622	TL135122	TL135412	TL136182	TL135922	TL142782
		1369	1377	1381	1357	1371	1684
NVC community	Structural unit	W8-W10	W8-W10	W8-W10	W8-W10	W8-W10	W8
Acer campestre	Canopy		5			1	
Acer campestre	Field layer	1	1		1		
Acer campestre	Understory						5
Anthriscus sylvestris							1
BARE GROUND		8	7				7
Betula pendula	Canopy			5	5	1	
Betula pendula	Field layer				1		
Brachythecium rutabulum					2	2	2
Bryonia dioica							1
Carpinus betulus	Canopy	10	9	9	7	8	
Carpinus betulus	Field layer	1	4		3	4	
Corylus avellana	Understory		4		4		5
Crataegus monogyna	Field layer		1		1	1	
Crataegus monogyna	Understory	4		5	4	4	
Dactylis glomerata							1
Dicranum montanum						3	
Elvmus caninus							2
Fraxinus excelsior	Canopy		4		5	6	7
Fraxinus excelsior	Field laver					2	
Galium aparine	/		1		1		
Geranium robertianum					1		
Holcus lanatus		2					
Hyacinthoides non-scripta		6	8	9	9	9	3
Hypnum cupressiforme agg.							3
Hypnum cupressiforme var. cu	pressiforme	2	2	2	3	3	
llex aquifolium	Field laver				1		
Isothecium myosuroides						3	
Kindbergia praelonga		4		3	2	2	3
Lamium album		· · ·					1
LITTER				5	6	5	
Mercurialis perennis							5
Metzgeria furcata						2	
Mnium hornum						2	
Moehringia trinervia		1	2				
Orthotrichum affine		-				2	2
Orthotrichum dianhanum						<u> </u>	3
Oxvrrhvnchium hians							3
Poa trivialis		2	2				2
Prunus avium	Canopy	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	Δ			
Prunus sninosa	Understory			-7			5
Auercus robur	Canony				1		7
Rubus fruticosus aga	Canopy		1	1	-+		/
			-				2
Sambucus pigra	Underston	Л	Л		Л	2	1
	Understory	4	4		4	۷	1

APPENDIX II. NVC FIELD DATA – WIGMORE PARK CWS

Quadrat number	1	2	2	4	5	6	7	8	٩	10
Grid reference	- TI 42640	- TI 42646	TI 42640	TI 40744	J 40705	TI 40747	TI 40007	TI 42000	J 40047	10 TI 43505
Ghulelelelle	IL 12648	TL 12646	IL 12648	IL 12/14	TL 12/05	IL 12/1/	IL 1268/	TL 12669	IL 12617	TL 12595
	21/10	21699	21693	21623	21631	21652	21644	21583	21541	21510
NVC community/ vegetation	Herb-rich	Herb-rich	Herb-rich	Herb-rich	Herb-rich	Herb-rich	Herb-rich	Herb-rich	Herb-rich	Herb-rich
name	CG	CG	CG	CG	CG	NG	NG	NG	NG	NG
Achillea millefolium		1		6					4	
Agrimonia eupatoria							2	2		
Agrostis capillaris	2						3	3		
Agrostis stolonifera	3	2	2	3		3			4	4
Anthriscus sylvestris								1		
Bellis perennis				2		1				
Brachythecium rutabulum		3	4							
Bromopsis erecta				2						
Calliergonella cuspidata	4	3	3							
Carex flacca	4	5	3	5						
Centaurea nigra			1				6	6		5
Cerastium fontanum	1	1				2			1	
Cirsium arvense	1		1	4					1	1
Clinopodium vulgare									1	
Crataegus monogyna	1	1	2			3		2		
Dactylis glomerata	2	1	1	5	4	6	4	4	5	2
Dactylorhiza fuchsii				1	4			1		
Daucus carota				5		3	4	4	2	1
Festuca rubra	4	6	5	4	5	4	4	3	3	4
Geranium dissectum									1	4
Helminthotheca echioides						1			4	3
Heracleum sphondylium	2	1	2	1			2			
Holcus lanatus	3	4	2	2		2	1	2	2	
Hypericum perforatum				4	4		1	2		
Lathryus pratensis						1				
Linum catharticum	3	3	3	2			1			
Lotus corniculatus	8	5	9	2	7	8	7	8	6	8
Medicago lupulina		1		5		4	4	4	5	5
Odontites vernus									1	
Pastinaca sativa ssp. sylvestris								2	7	1
Phleum bertolonii		2		3						
Plantago lanceolata	2	2	1	4	4	3	4	2	4	4
Poa angustifolia					2					
Poa humilis						2	2			
Poa trivialis				2	3	3		3	3	2
Potentilla reptans				3					3	
Prunella vulgaris	2	3	1		2	1				
Quercus robur		1								
Ranunculus bulbosus		1	4	2		2	4		1	
Ranunculus repens		1				_			_	
Rosa sp. (seedling)	1	2					1	2		
Rubus fruticosus age	1	1	3		4	4	4	4	4	
Scabiosa columbaria				2	6					
Scorzoneroides autumnalis				2						
Senecio erucifolius		1		_		3	1	2	3	1
Senecio iacobaea	2	1			1	3	-	-	1	-
Sonchus asper	<u> </u>	-			-				-	1
				Д	2	Д		2	1	2
Tragonogon pratensis					5	-		~	-	-
Trifolium pratense				1						
Trifolium ronons	2	E	2	1						
	۷.	5	1			1				
Voronica sornyllifolia	1		T			T				
Viburnum onulus	1	1								
Vicio cativa		1				Δ		2	1	2
						4		2	1	2
vicia tetrasperma									5	4

Quadrat number	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Grid reference	TI 12557	TI 12415	TI 12449	TI 12825	TI 12512	TI 12449	TI 12350	TI 12446	TI 12401	TI 12518
	21730	21813	21802	21690	21814	21742	21919	21777	21829	21632
	21/50	21015		21050	21014	21/42	21515	21///	21025	21052
NVC community/ vegetation		N CAL	Herb-rich	Herb-rich		Agr stol - Pot			14/24	
name	IVIG10	MG1D	NG	NG	IVIG1a	rept gsid	IVIG1a	MG1	W24a	MG1e
Acer campestre	2	1		-			2			
Achillea millefolium	3			5	2		2	1		
Agrostis capillaris					2					
Agrostis stoionitera	4					8		•		5
Anthriscus sylvestris	_	_		•				2		
Arrhenatherum elatius	/	/	2	2	8		8	8		4
Bellis perennis			1	-						
Brachythecium rutabulum			-	2	3					
Bromus hordeaceus			4					-		
Calliergonella cuspidata		-				4		3	-	
Cardamine hirsuta		3							3	
Centaurea nigra						4				7
Cerastium fontanum				1						
Chaerophyllum temulum									4	
Cirsium arvense	4	1			5		4		4	4
Convolvulus arvensis							4			
Cornus sanguinea							1			
Crataegus monogyna				1						
Dactylis glomerata	4	4		6	4			4		4
Daucus carota			4	5		1		2		1
Festuca rubra			2				5	2		4
Ficaria verna								3		
Galium aparine		4						2	4	4
Geranium dissectum	3		4			3	4	2		
Helminthotheca echioides							2	2		
Heracleum sphondylium		1	2		5			4		
Holcus lanatus	3			4		5	3			4
Lamium album		1								
Lathyrus nissolia			1			3		3		
Lathryus pratensis							3			5
Leucanthemum vulgare			7					5		
Medicago lupulina			3	5						4
Odontites vernus				1		3				1
Pastinaca sativa ssp. sylvestris	7			1			4			2
Plantago lanceolata			4		4	2	1	4		4
Poa angustifolia			5		4					
Poa humilis						4				
Poa trivialis	3						4	3	4	
Potentilla reptans						6	2			
Pseudoscleropodium purum				2						
Ranunculus repens						2	1			
Rosa sp. (seedling)			1				1			
Rubus fruticosus agg.				4	1				9	
Schedonorus arundinaceus				6						
Senecio erucifolius					1	3		1		4
Senecio jacobaea			1							
Sonchus arvensis										2
Stellaria holostea								2		
Taraxacum agg.							1			
Trifolium dubium			4							
Trifolium repens						4				
Urtica dioica		8								
Veronica hederifolia									2	
Vicia cracca							4	2		
Vicia hirsuta			2			3				
Vicia sativa			5	4	1	3	4	5		

Quadrat number		21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Grid reference		TL 12544	TL 12778	TL 12796	TL 12772	TL 12781	TL 12710	TL 12517	TL 12619	TL 12485
		21628	21848	21855	21629	21577	21679	21657	21479	21674
NVC community/ vegetation	Structural unit	OV28	W21	W8d	W24	MG1b	OV23	OV24	OV24	MG1e
name										
Acer campestre	Understory			4						
Achillea millefolium	onderstory				1		6			
Agrostis stolonifera		10			-		5			
Alliaria petiolata						1				
Amblystegium serpens			2							
Anthriscus sylvestris						5				
Arrhenatherum elatius						7		3		4
Artemisia vulgaris					6					
Arum maculatum			1	4						
Bellis perennis							4			
Brachythecium rutabulum		4	4	4				3		4
Calystegia sepium					4					
Cardamine hirsuta								3		
Centaurea nigra							1			
Cerastium fontanum		1								
Cirsium arvense					4	4		4		
Clinopodium vulgare					2					
Cololejeunea minutissima			3							
Conium maculatum								5		
Corylus avellana	Understory			7						
Crataegus monogyna	Canopy		9							
Crataegus monogyna	Understory			6						
Cryphaea heteromalla			2							
Dactylis glomerata							4			2
Daucus carota										2
Drepanocladus aduncus		2								
Epilobium hirsutum								4		
Epilobium sp. (seedling)		1								
Festuca rubra							5			5
Ficaria verna				2						
Fraxinus excelsior	Canopy			5						
Fraxinus excelsior	Understory			4						
Frullania dilatata			1							
Galium aparine			3	4		3		2	5	
Geranium dissectum		4								
Glechoma hederacaea									2	
Helminthotheca echioides					2					
Heracleum sphondylium						6		1		4
Holcus lanatus							2			
Hyacinthoides non-scripta			1	6						
Hypericum perforatum										4
Hypnum cupressiforme agg.			3							
Kindbergia praelonga			5	5				4	5	
Lamium album						5				
Lepidium draba					7					
Lolium perenne							4			
Lotus corniculatus										8
Medicago lupulina							4			
Mercurialis perennis		_	5	2						
Metzgeria furcata			2							
Myosotis arvensis			2	1					2	1
Odontites vernus		1								
Orthotrichum affine			3							
Pastinaca sativa ssp. sylvestris					4					
Phleum bertolonii							4			
Plantago lanceolata		4			2		4			4
Plantago major							1			
Poa angustifolia										2
Poa humilis										
Poa trivialis					4		3	2	2	
Potentilla reptans							4			
Prunus spinosa	Understory		5	4						

Quadrat number		21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Grid reference		TL 12544	TL 12778	TL 12796	TL 12772	TL 12781	TL 12710	TL 12517	TL 12619	TL 12485
		21628	21848	21855	21629	21577	21679	21657	21479	21674
NVC community/ vegetation name	Structural unit	OV28	W21	W8d	W24	MG1b	OV23	OV24	OV24	MG1e
Quercus robur	Canopy			7						
Ranunculus repens		4								
Rhynchostegium confertum			2							
Rubus fruticosus agg.					6				4	
Salix caprea	Canopy		5							
Sambucus nigra	Understory			1						
Scorzoneroides autumnalis							4			
Senecio jacobaea							1			
Senecio vulgaris				1						
Sinapis arvensis				2						
Sonchus asper				4	1					
Stachys sylvatica						4				
Taraxacum agg.							2			1
Tragopogon pratensis										3
Tussilago farfara										4
Ulota bruchii			2							
Urtica dioica			8		4	1		10	9	
Veronica arvensis							3			
Veronica chamaedrys					1					
Vicia sativa		1								1
Vicia tetrasperma					2	3				

APPENDIX III. ALL SPECIES RECORDED DURING NVC SURVEYS

Scientific name	English name
Higher plants	
Acer campestre	Field Maple
Achillea millefolium	Yarrow
Agrimonia eupatoria	Agrimony
Agrostis capillaris	Common Bent
Agrostis stolonifera	Creeping Bent
Alliaria petiolata	Garlic Mustard
Alopecurus pratensis	Meadow Foxtail
Anisantha sterilis	Barren Brome
Anthriscus sylvestris	Cow Parsley
Aphanes arvensis	Parsley-piert
Arrhenatherum elatius	False Oat-Grass
Artemisia vulgaris	Mugwort
Arum maculatum	Lords-and-Ladies
Bellis perennis	Daisy
Betula pendula	Silver Birch
Betula pendula x B. pubescens	a hybrid birch
Betula pubescens	Downy Birch
Brachypodium sylvaticum	False-brome
Bromopsis erecta	Upright Brome
Bromus hordeaceus	Soft-brome
Bryonia dioica	White Bryony
Calystegia sepium	Hedge Bindweed
Capsella bursa-pastoris	Shepherd's-purse
Cardamine hirsuta	Hairy Bitter-cress
Carex flacca	Glaucous Sedge
Carex sylvatica	Wood-sedge
Carpinus betulus	Hornbeam
Centaurea nigra	Common Knapweed
Centaurea scabiosa	Greater Knapweed
Cerastium fontanum	Common Mouse-ear
Chaerophyllum temulum	Rough Chervil
Chamerion angustifolium	Rosebay Willowherb
Cirsium arvense	Creeping Thistle
Cirsium vulgare	Spear Thistle
Clematis vitalba	Traveller's-joy
Clinopodium vulgare	Wild Basil
Conium maculatum	Hemlock
Conopodium majus	Pignut
Convolvulus arvensis	Field Bindweed
Cornus sanguinea	Dogwood
Corylus avellana	Hazel
Crataegus monogyna	Hawthorn
Crepis capillaris	Smooth Hawk's-beard
Cynosurus cristatus	Crested Dog's-tail
Dactylis glomerata	Cock's-foot
Dactylorhiza fuchsii	Common Spotted-orchid
Daucus carota	Carrot
Deschampsia cespitosa	Tufted Hair-grass
Elymus caninus	Bearded Couch
Epilobium hirsutum	Great Willowherb

Scientific name
Epilobium parviflorum
Epilobium tetragonum
Erigeron acris
Festuca rubra
Ficaria verna
Fraxinus excelsior
Galium aparine
Geranium dissectum
Geranium molle
Geranium robertianum
Glechoma hederacea
Hedera helix
Helminthotheca echioides
Heracleum sphondylium
Holcus lanatus
Hyacinthoides non-scripta
Hypericum perforatum
Hypochaeris radicata
llex aquifolium
Inula convzae
luncus conglomeratus
luncus effusus
Lamiastrum galeobdolon subsp. montanum
Lamium album
Lathyrus nissolia
Lathyrus pratensis
Lepidium draba
Leucanthemum vulgare
Linum catharticum
Lolium multiflorum
Lolium perenne
Lonicera periclymenum
Lotus corniculatus
Medicago lupulina
Mercurialis perennis
Milium effusum
Moehringia trinervia
Myosotis arvensis
Odontites vernus
Ophrys apifera
Pastinaca sativa subsp. sylvestris
Phleum bertolonii
Pilosella officinarum
Plantago lanceolata
Plantago major
Plantago media
Poa angustifolia
Poa humilis
Poa trivialis
Potentilla reptans
Prunella vulgaris
Prunus avium
Prunus laurocerasus

English name

Hoary Willowherb Square-stalked Willowherb Blue Fleabane Red Fescue Lesser Celandine Ash Cleavers Cut-leaved Crane's-bill Dove's-foot Crane's-bill Herb-Robert Ground-ivy Common Ivy **Bristly Oxtongue** Hogweed Yorkshire-fog Bluebell Perforate St John's-wort Cat's-ear Holly Ploughman's-spikenard Compact Rush Soft-rush Yellow Archangel White Dead-nettle Grass Vetchling Meadow Vetchling Hoary Cress Oxeye Daisy Fairy Flax Italian Rye-grass Perennial Rye-grass Honeysuckle Common Bird's-foot-trefoil Black Medick Dog's Mercury Wood Millet Three-nerved Sandwort Field Forget-me-not **Red Bartsia** Bee Orchid Wild Parsnip Smaller Cat's-tail Mouse-ear-hawkweed **Ribwort Plantain** Greater Plantain Hoary Plantain Narrow-leaved Meadow-grass Spreading Meadow-grass Rough Meadow-grass Creeping Cinquefoil Selfheal Wild Cherry Cherry Laurel

Scientific name	English name
Prunus spinosa	Blackthorn
Pteridium aquilinum	Bracken
Quercus robur	Pedunculate Oak
Ranunculus acris	Meadow Buttercup
Ranunculus bulbosus	Bulbous Buttercup
Ranunculus repens	Creeping Buttercup
Rosa canina	Dog-rose
Rubus fruticosus agg.	Bramble
Rumex crispus	Curled Dock
Rumex obtusifolius	Broad-leaved Dock
Rumex sanguineus	Wood Dock
Salix caprea	Goat Willow
Sambucus nigra	Elder
Scabiosa columbaria	Small Scabious
Schedonorus arundinaceus	Tall Fescue
Schedonorus giganteus	Giant Fescue
Scorzoneroides autumnalis	Autumn Hawkbit
Senecio erucifolius	Hoary Ragwort
Senecio jacobaea	Common Ragwort
Senecio vulgaris	Groundsel
Sherardia arvensis	Field Madder
Silene latifolia	White Campion
Sinapis arvensis	Charlock
Solanum dulcamara	Bittersweet
Sonchus arvensis	Perennial Sowthistle
Sonchus asper	Prickly Sowthistle
Stachys sylvatica	Hedge Woundwort
Stellaria holostea	Greater Stitchwort
Stellaria media	Common Chickweed
Symphytum x uplandicum	Russian Comfrey (S. asperum x
, , , , ,	officinale)
Taraxacum agg.	Dandelion
Torilis japonica	Upright Hedge-parsley
Tragopogon pratensis	Goat's-beard
Trifolium dubium	Lesser Trefoil
Trifolium pratense	Red Clover
Trifolium repens	White Clover
Trisetum flavescens	Yellow Oat-grass
Tussilago farfara	Colt's-foot
Ulex europaeus	Gorse
Urtica dioica	Common Nettle
Veronica arvensis	Wall Speedwell
Veronica chamaedrys	Germander Speedwell
Veronica hederifolia	lvy-leaved Speedwell
Veronica persica	Common Field-speedwell
Veronica serpyllifolia	Thyme-leaved Speedwell
Viburnum opulus	Guelder-rose
Vicia cracca	Tufted Vetch
Vicia hirsuta	Hairy Tare
Vicia sativa	Common Vetch
Vicia tetrasperma	Smooth Tare
Viola hirta	Hairy Violet
Mosses and liverworts	,

Scientific name

Amblystegium serpens Brachythecium rutabulum Calliergonella cuspidata Cololejeunea minutissima Cryphaea heteromalla Dicranella heteromalla Dicranum montanum Drepanocladus aduncus Frullania dilatata Hypnum cupressiforme Hypnum cupressiforme agg. Isothecium myosuroides Kindbergia praelonga Lophocolea bidentata Metzgeria furcata Mnium hornum Orthotrichum affine Orthotrichum diaphanum Oxyrrhynchium hians Pseudoscleropodium purum Rhynchostegium confertum Ulota bruchii

English name

Creeping Feather-moss Rough-stalked Feather-moss Pointed Spear-moss Minute Pouncewort Lateral Cryphaea Silky Forklet-moss Mountain Fork-moss Knieff's Hook-moss Dilated Scalewort Cypress-leaved Plait-moss

Slender Mouse-tail Moss Common Feather-moss Bifid Crestwort Forked Veilwort Swan's-neck Thyme-moss Wood Bristle-moss White-tipped Bristle-moss Swartz's Feather-moss Neat Feather-moss Clustered Feather-moss Bruch's Pincushion

APPENDIX IV. ALL SPECIES RECORDED IN ARABLE PLANT SURVEYS

Scientific name	English name
Achillea millefolium	Yarrow
Aethusa cynapium	Fool's Parsley
Agrostis capillaris	Common Bent
Agrostis gigantea	Black Bent
Agrostis stolonifera	Creeping Bent
Alliaria petiolata	Garlic Mustard
Alopecurus myosuroides	Black-grass
Anagallis arvensis	Scarlet Pimpernel
Anisantha diandra	Great Brome
Anisantha sterilis	Barren Brome
Anthemis austriaca	Austrian Chamomile
Anthemis cotula	Stinking Chamomile
Anthoxanthum odoratum	Sweet Vernal-grass
Anthriscus sylvestris	Cow Parsley
Anthyllis vulneraria	Kidney Vetch
Aphanes arvensis	Parsley-piert
Arabidopsis thaliana	Thale Cress
Arctium minus	Lesser Burdock
Arrhenatherum elatius	False Oat-Grass
Artemisia vulgaris	Mugwort
Atriplex patula	Common Orache
Atriplex prostrata	Spear-leaved Orache
Avena fatua	Wild-oat
Ballota nigra	Black Horehound
Barbarea intermedia	Medium-flowered Winter-cress
Bellis perennis	Daisy
Brachypodium sylvaticum	False-brome
Brassica napus subsp. oleifolia	Oil-seed Rape
Briza minor	Lesser Quaking-grass
Bromus hordeaceus	Soft-brome
Bromus hordeaceus subsp. hordeaceus	Soft-brome
Bromus hordeaceus subsp. longipedicellatus	Soft-brome
Bromus secalinus	Rye Brome
Bryonia dioica	White Bryony
Capsella bursa-pastoris	Shepherd's-purse
Cardamine hirsuta	Hairy Bitter-cress
Carduus crispus	Welted Thistle
Centaurea cyanus	Cornflower
Centaurea nigra	Common Knapweed
Centaurea scabiosa	Greater Knapweed
Cerastium fontanum	Common Mouse-ear
Chaerophyllum temulum	Rough Chervil
Chamerion angustifolium	Rosebay Willowherb
Chenopodium album	Fat-hen
Chenopodium polyspermum	Many-seeded Goosefoot
Cirsium arvense	Creeping Thistle
Cirsium vulgare	Spear I histle
Clematis vitalba	I raveller's-joy
Clinopodium vulgare	VVIId Basil
Conium maculatum	Hemlock
Convolvulus arvensis	Field Bindweed

	Scientific name	English name
-	Cornus sanguinea	Dogwood
	Crepis capillaris	Smooth Hawk's-beard
	Crepis vesicaria	Beaked Hawk's-beard
	Cynosurus cristatus	Crested Dog's-tail
	Dactylis glomerata	Cock's-foot
	Daucus carota	Carrot
	Dipsacus fullonum	Wild Teasel
	Elytrigia repens	Common Couch
	Epilobium ciliatum	American Willowherb
	Epilobium hirsutum	Great Willowherb
	Epilobium montanum	Broad-leaved Willowherb
	Epilobium parviflorum	Hoary Willowherb
	Epilobium tetragonum	Square-stalked Willowherb
	Epilobium x brevipilum	E. hirsutum x tetragonum
	Euphorbia exigua	Dwarf Spurge
	Fallopia convolvulus	Black-bindweed
	Festuca ovina	Sheep's-fescue
	Festuca rubra	Red Fescue
	Filago vulgaris	Common Cudweed
	Fraxinus excelsior	Ash
	Fumaria officinalis	Common Fumitory
	Fumaria vaillantii	Few-flowered Fumitory
	Galium album	Hedge Bedstraw
	Galium aparine	Cleavers
	Galium verum	Lady's Bedstraw
	Geranium dissectum	Cut-leaved Crane's-bill
	Geranium molle	Dove's-foot Crane's-bill
	Geranium pyrenaicum	Hedgerow Crane's-bill
	Geranium rotundifolium	Kound-leaved Crane s-Dill
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	Holeus Ionatus	Yorkshiro fog
	Hordeum secalinum	Meadow Barley
	Hypochaeris radicata	Cat's-ear
	Kickxia spuria	Round-leaved Fluellen
	Knautia arvensis	Field Scabious
	Lactuca serriola	Prickly Lettuce
	Lactuca virosa	Great Lettuce
	Lamium album	White Dead-nettle
	Lamium purpureum	Red Dead-nettle
	Lapsana communis	Nipplewort
	Lathyrus pratensis	Meadow Vetchling
	Leontodon hispidus	Rough Hawkbit
	Lepidium coronopus	Swine-cress
	Leucanthemum vulgare	Oxeye Daisy
	Lolium multiflorum	Italian Rye-grass
	Lolium perenne	Perennial Rye-grass
	Lotus corniculatus	Common Bird's-foot-trefoil
	Malva moschata	Musk-mallow
	Malva neglecta	Dwarf Mallow

Scientific name	English name
Malva setigera	Rough Marsh-mallow
Malva sylvestris	Common Mallow
Matricaria discoidea	Pineappleweed
Medicago lupulina	Black Medick
Myosotis arvensis	Field Forget-me-not
Odontites vernus	Red Bartsia
Papaver rhoeas	Common Poppy
Persicaria lapathifolia	Pale Persicaria
Persicaria maculosa	Redshank
Phleum bertolonii	Smaller Cat's-tail
Phleum pratense	Timothy
Plantago lanceolata	Ribwort Plantain
Plantago major	Greater Plantain
Plantago media	Hoary Plantain
Poa annua	Annual Meadow-grass
Poa trivialis	Rough Meadow-grass
Polygonum aviculare	Knotgrass
Primula veris	Cowslip
Prunella vulgaris	Selfheal
Prunus spinosa	Blackthorn
Pteridium aquilinum	Bracken
Quercus robur	Pedunculate Oak
Ranunculus acris	Meadow Buttercup
Ranunculus bulbosus	Bulbous Buttercup
Ranunculus repens	Creeping Buttercup
Raphanus raphanistrum subsp. raphanistrum	Wild Radish
Reseda lutea	Wild Mignonette
Reseda luteola	VVeld
Rhinanthus minor	I ellow-rattle
Rubus fruticosus agg.	Bramble Common Common
Rumex acetosa	Common Sorrel
Rumex crispus	Curied Dock
Rumex conquinous	Mood Dock
Scorzoporoidos autumpalis	
Senecio erucifolius	Hoary Ragwort
Senecio incolazen	Common Bagwort
Senecio squalidus	Oxford Bagwort
Senecio sulgaris	Groundsel
Sherardia arvensis	Field Madder
Silene dioica	Red Campion
Silene flos-cuculi	Ragged-Robin
Silene latifolia	White Campion
Sinapis arvensis	Charlock
Sisymbrium officinale	Hedge Mustard
Solanum dulcamara	Bittersweet
Sonchus arvensis	Perennial Sow-thistle
Sonchus asper	Prickly Sow-thistle
Sonchus oleraceus	Smooth Sow-thistle
Sonchus oleraceus	Smooth Sow-thistle
Stellaria media	Common Chickweed
Symphytum officinale	Common Comfrey
Taraxacum agg.	, Dandelion

Scientific name

Torilis japonica Tragopogon pratensis Trifolium campestre Trifolium dubium Trifolium pratense Tripleurospermum inodorum Trisetum flavescens Ulmus procera Urtica dioica Veronica arvensis Veronica chamaedrys Veronica persica Veronica serpyllifolia Vicia faba Vicia tetrasperma Viola arvensis Viola hirta Vulpia bromoides Vulpia myuros

English name

Upright Hedge-parsley Goat's-beard Hop Trefoil Lesser Trefoil Red Clover Scentless Mayweed Yellow Oat-grass English Elm Common Nettle Wall Speedwell Germander Speedwell Common Field-speedwell Thyme-leaved Speedwell Broad Bean Smooth Tare **Field Pansy** Hairy Violet Squirreltail Fescue Rat's-tail Fescue

Appendix BB

BB1 Terrestrial Invertebrate Survey Report
LONDON LUTON AIRPORT INVERTEBRATES: FURTHER SURVEY IN 2021



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Cover photograph: a view across a field (field F11) which has been taken out of arable cultivation and is developing a diverse, flower-rich sward, taken on 25th June 2021.

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1 Summary

- An invertebrate survey of an area at London Luton Airport had previously been carried out by the author during 2018 and 2019. In view of delays to the Development Consent Order application and changes to the survey area, further invertebrate survey was required in 2021.
- This report describes that further invertebrate survey at London Luton Airport, for which fieldwork was conducted on 8th, 9th and 25th June 2021.
- The survey recorded 331 species of invertebrate, covering a very wide range of taxonomic groups.
- 21 species from the species list of 331 are here regarded as 'Key Species' (i.e., with rare, scarce, threatened or near threatened conservation status).
- No Dingy Skipper butterflies *Erynnis tages* were observed during targeted survey in Wigmore Valley Park nor in the adjacent Fields F9/F11. The Dingy Skipper population in the southern part of Wigmore Valley Park appears to have died out since 2019, and the butterfly has not colonised the increasingly suitable habitat within fields F9/F11.
- Fields F9, F11 and F13 were found to be areas of conservation importance for invertebrates at the county level, notably for the assemblage of 'short sward & bare ground' species.
- The large compost heap in the south-eastern corner of field F11 was found to be a low quality habitat for invertebrates.
- The spoil banks at Winch Hill Farm were found to be an important habitat for 'short sward & bare ground' species, including the Vulnerable and Nationally Rare ground beetle *Scybalicus oblongiusculus*.
- The veteran Apple tree at Winch Hill Farm, along with the other younger and smaller Apple trees nearby, were assessed as of lesser importance for tree-associated invertebrates, relative to other trees, hedges and woodland in the eastern part of the survey area.
- The Luton Parkway Verges District Wildlife Site supports some habitat for 'short sward & bare ground' species but is a relatively low quality example of this habitat.
- Brief recommendations are made for each of the habitat areas and habitat features surveyed, to mitigate the impacts of proposed development on invertebrates.

2 Introduction

An invertebrate survey of the London Luton Airport survey area (delimited by the red line in Figure 1) had previously been carried out by the author during 2018 and 2019 (Telfer, 2019). This survey made an overall assessment that the survey area was a site of high importance for invertebrate conservation at the county level.

It is understood that subsequent progress towards applying for a Development Consent Order (DCO) has been delayed and that the application is now scheduled for submission in summer 2022. The DCO application will now also include the link road that was formerly part of a separate application.



Figure 1: The 2018-19 survey area is delimited by the red line. (The subdivisions of the survey area (Western Periphery, Wigmore Valley Park, Eastern Area and Plane-spotters' Triangle) were drawn up for the 2018-19 invertebrate survey). Contains Ordnance Survey data © Crown copyright and database right 2017.

In 2021, a scoping survey was carried out by the author with fieldwork during Monday 17th and Wednesday 19th May (Telfer, 2021a). This aimed (i) to carry out a rapid walkover assessment of the 2018-19 survey area (Figure 1), including the whole of the Dairyborn Scarp District Wildlife Site (DWS)¹, to assess visually whether the invertebrate habitats and habitat features present had substantially changed since they were sampled in 2018-19; and (ii) to carry out an invertebrate scoping survey of Luton Parkway Verges DWS.

The scoping survey made the following recommendations for invertebrate survey work in 2021, repeated here from Telfer (2021a) as Sections 2.1. and 2.2. The recommendations make reference to three invertebrates which are Species of Principal Importance (SPI), and which are discussed further in Section 2.5.

2.1 SURVEY RECOMMENDATIONS: THE 2018-19 SURVEY AREA

A survey for Dingy Skipper butterfly *Erynnis tages* (see Section 2.5) should be carried out, covering the known area for this species in the southern part of Wigmore Valley Park. The aim would be to establish the continued presence of the species, and to compare the numbers found to the baseline from 2019 (Telfer, 2019).

¹ Details of the Dairyborn Scarp District Wildlife Site are available by application to the Bedfordshire and Luton Biodiversity Recording and Monitoring Centre:

https://www.bedscape.org.uk/BRMC/newsite/index.php?c=sites_dws

The Dingy Skipper survey should be extended to cover a representative area of fields F9 and F11, in which suitable conditions for Dingy Skipper have been developing. The aim would be to establish whether Dingy Skipper has colonised this area, and if so to establish over what area the population may be found.

There should be further general invertebrate survey of the following:

- Fields F9 and F11, covering both the taller, uncut sward, and the shorter, cut sward. The aim here would be to survey for the presence of Set-aside Downy-back beetle *Ophonus laticollis* (see Section 2.5) and to assess the quality of the 'short sward & bare ground' invertebrate assemblage.
- Field F13, likewise aiming to survey for the presence of Set-aside Downy-back beetle *Ophonus laticollis* and to assess the quality of the 'short sward & bare ground' invertebrate assemblage.
- Compost heaps in the south-eastern corner of field F11, to make a general assessment of their invertebrate value.
- Spoil banks at Winch Hill Farm barns, to assess the quality of the 'short sward & bare ground' invertebrate assemblage.
- Veteran Apple tree at Winch Hill Farm, to survey for the presence of Noble Chafer beetle *Gnorimus nobilis* (see Section 2.5), and to assess the quality of the saproxylic invertebrate assemblage.

2.2 SURVEY RECOMMENDATIONS: LUTON PARKWAY VERGES DISTRICT WILDLIFE SITE

This DWS supports habitats of moderate potential to support invertebrate species and assemblages of conservation importance on the herb-rich grassland verges of the bus slipway, the herb-rich grassland verge of the Lower Harpenden Road, and within the scrub. These three habitat components should each be surveyed for invertebrates.

2.3 AIMS

This survey was commissioned in late May 2021 in order to carry out the recommendations of the scoping survey (Sections 2.1 and 2.2).

2.4 SURVEY AREAS IN 2021

2.4.1 Wigmore Valley Park

The approximate area of Dingy Skipper habitat at Wigmore Valley Park (WVP), as determined by the 2018-19 survey, is shown in Figure 2. The 2018-19 survey noted that a Key Habitat of the survey area generally was 'shorter, more flower-rich grassland swards', and that 'such grasslands occur in small patches in all parts of the survey area. The most important patch of this habitat was in the southern part of Wigmore Valley Park, where a population of Dingy Skipper was found.' Within this grassland area, there are numerous patches of Common Bird's-foot Trefoil *Lotus corniculatus*, the host plant of Dingy Skipper.



Figure 2: Dingy Skipper habitat in the south of WVP, indicated by the red outline. Map data ©2018 Google Imagery ©2018, DigitalGlobe, Getmapping plc, Infoterra Ltd & Bluesky, The GeoInformation Group.

2.4.2 Fields F9, F11 and F13

These field code names were defined by the 2018-19 survey report and are indicated in Figure 3. All three fields lie within the 'Eastern Area' of the 2018-19 survey area (see Figure 1).

The scoping survey of May 2021 found that each of these fields had been taken out of cultivation in recent years and all were developing a diverse, herb-rich, more-or-less ruderal flora. In the case of fields F9 and F11, they have been sown with a range of wildflowers, and perhaps also planted with certain species. In the case of field F13, it was less clear whether it had been sown with flower seeds or had assembled a rather diverse flora by natural colonisation.

Most of fields F9 and F11 appear to be under management by cutting, perhaps only on an annual basis. These cut areas show some contrast with a smaller area which appears to be left uncut, e.g., Figure 4.

There is a very large compost heap in the south-eastern corner of F11, at the position indicated in Figure 3 (grid reference TL134215). The heap is presumed to be formed from the arisings from cutting fields F9 and F11, which have been collected and heaped up in this corner (Figure 5).



Figure 3: Areas surveyed in 2021, shown in orange. Map data ©2018 Google Imagery ©2018 DigitalGlobe, Getmapping plc, Infoterra Ltd & Bluesky, The GeoInformation Group.



Figure 4: Longer, uncut sward on the left, contrasting with shorter, cut sward on the right.



Figure 5: Compost heap in the south-eastern corner of field F11.

2.4.3 Winch Hill Farm

Spoil banks

At Winch Hill Farm, on the east side of the road, several large spoil banks have been created around the two old barns, presumably to discourage unauthorised vehicular access to this area. They are centred around grid reference TL13792176, and their position is also indicated in Figure 3. They are perhaps two years old and have developed into a fairly herbrich habitat, typical of brownfield sites and areas of Open Mosaic Habitat, which can support rich and high quality invertebrate assemblages (Figure 6).



Figure 6: Spoil banks at Winch Hill Farm, with herb-rich ruderal vegetation.

Veteran Apple tree

West of the road, the old farmhouse and its periphery were securely fenced off during the 2018-19 survey while the house awaited demolition. The house has now been demolished and the area made safe and accessible. This enabled access to one veteran Apple tree stood within a small grove of elderly Elders (Figure 7), with extensive hollows within its trunk (Figure 8). The report of the 2018-19 survey noted the presence of this veteran Apple but was only able to survey several younger and smaller Apple trees, standing outside the security fence (Telfer, 2019).



Figure 7: The veteran Apple tree at Winch Hill Farm, surrounded by Elders.



Figure 8: One of several openings into the hollow trunk of the veteran Apple.

2.4.4 Luton Parkway Verges District Wildlife Site

The Luton Parkway Verges DWS is defined by a document and map from the Bedfordshire and Luton Biodiversity Recording and Monitoring Centre². It covers a 0.36 ha area of neutral and calcareous grassland, either side of the slipway from Parkway Road onto the eastbound A1081 (Airport Way) (Figure 9), and on the northern side of Lower Harpenden Road (B653). The DWS also includes extensive areas of scrub with a variety of tree and shrub species, mostly broad-leaved species but including pine *Pinus* sp. This area lies entirely outside the red line survey area covered in 2018-19.



Figure 9: Flower-rich grassland beside the slipway from Parkway Road onto the A1081.

2.5 SPECIES OF PRINCIPAL IMPORTANCE

The survey work in 2021 included some targeted survey for three invertebrate Species of Principal Importance (SPI): Dingy Skipper butterfly *Erynnis tages*, Set-aside Downy-back beetle *Ophonus laticollis* and Noble Chafer beetle *Gnorimus nobilis*.

Species of Principal Importance are species listed in Section 41 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 as being 'of principal importance for the purpose of conserving biodiversity'. They may also commonly be referred to as Section 41 species.

² https://www.bedscape.org.uk/BRMC/newsite/index.php?c=sites_dws

For each of the three SPI targeted by this survey, a brief account is given here outlining their ecology, distribution and conservation status, along with details of appropriate survey methodology.

2.5.1 Erynnis tages (Lepidoptera: Hesperiidae) Dingy Skipper, VU

The Dingy Skipper butterfly *Erynnis tages* (Figure 10) occurs in a wide range of habitats in Britain which support its usual foodplant, Common Bird's-foot-trefoil *Lotus corniculatus*. Habitats include downland, coastal cliffs and grassland, and disturbed sites such as verges, sidings and post-industrial sites. Ideal conditions occur where there is a good population of the host plant, growing in a sparse sward, often including some bare ground, and in a sunny, sheltered microclimate. Colonies tend to be small and very restricted (Asher *et al.*, 2001). Dingy Skipper was listed as Vulnerable (VU) in Britain by Fox *et al.* (2010), indicating that on the best available evidence it is facing a high risk of extinction in the wild.



Figure 10: Dingy Skipper butterfly photographed at Wigmore Valley Park in 2018-19.

Adult Dingy Skipper butterflies can be surveyed using a walkover approach, which may follow fixed transects or follow a more casual route between patches of suitable habitat. Survey should be within the peak flight period of the adults from mid-May to late June, and should ideally take place in conditions suitable for a Butterfly Monitoring Scheme transect (Hall, 1981), i.e., sunny conditions, with temperatures above 17 °C, and between the hours of 10.45 to 15.45.

2.5.2 Ophonus laticollis (Coleoptera: Carabidae) Set-aside Downy-back, NT, NS

The Set-aside Downy-back is a seed-feeding ground beetle (Figure 11) of arable field edges and margins and other disturbed ground on calcareous soils. Typically found adjacent to thick hedges with tussocks and accumulations of leaf litter. In the review of the Biodiversity Action Plan ground beetles carried out by the author in 2005, *Ophonus laticollis* was estimated to have declined by 74% over a 25-year period, contracting from a formerly wide scatter across southern England before 1970 to just the counties of Oxfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Norfolk and Suffolk since 1970 (Telfer, 2009). There have been subsequent records from South Hampshire, Buckinghamshire and Hertfordshire. There has thus been an apparent amelioration or reversal of the decline and this beetle is currently assessed as Near Threatened (Telfer, 2016).



Figure 11: Set-aside Downy-back Ophonus laticollis.

Pitfall-trapping is an effective method for surveying for this species, and it was by using pitfall traps that this species was discovered during fieldwork in 2018: two individuals were pitfall-trapped on the chalky edge of arable field F8 between 21st May and 18th June 2018.

2.5.3 Gnorimus nobilis (Coleoptera: Carabidae) Noble Chafer, VU, NS

Noble Chafer typically breeds in the decaying heartwood of hollowing fruit trees, occupying hollows in the trunk and boughs. In these situations, larvae live within accumulated 'wood mould' at the base of the hollow, and may also be found where wood mould accumulates under bark (Whitehead, 2003). Suitable trees are typically still alive. Cherry, Plum and Apple are especially favoured tree species, though Pear is also mentioned as a host tree by Alexander (2002). Larvae develop in tree hollows for two to three years. The adult beetles

have a comparatively short life-span of about four to six weeks, typically being active from late June into August though they have apparently been recorded in each month from April to September (Hyman and Parsons, 1992).

Noble Chafer was formerly listed as Vulnerable (Red Data Book category 2) in Britain by Hyman and Parsons (1992), indicating a species which is likely to move into the Endangered category in the near future if causal factors continue to operate. Lane and Mann (2016) assessed the conservation status of Noble Chafer as Vulnerable (VU), which recognises that this is a species threatened with extinction in Britain due to loss and deterioration of its orchard habitat.

Reliable survey for the presence of Noble Chafers is best targeted at searching for larvae in tree hollows, larval 'frass' (pellets of excrement) in tree hollows, or fragments of dead adults (also most likely to be encountered in tree hollows) (e.g., Figure 12).



Figure 12: The pronotum of an adult Noble Chafer, resting on heartwood debris containing many of the distinctive frass pellets excreted by the larvae. This photo was taken in a Buckinghamshire orchard.

2.6 A NOTE ABOUT THE INTERIM REPORT

An interim report was submitted on 7th July 2021 (Telfer, 2021b). At that time, a substantial part of the identification work on the samples remained to be done and only partial results were available. This final report completely replaces and supersedes the interim report.

3 Methods

3.1 FIELDWORK ACTIVITY

The recommended survey work was carried out by the author. Fieldwork was conducted on 8th, 9th and 25th June 2021. A summary of survey activity on each day is given in Table 1.

Table 1: Survey	dates and	activity o	n each day.
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Date	Survey activity
8 th June	Surveyed the veteran Apple at Wich Hill Farm, deployed a bottle trap and a Noble Chafer pheromone lure. Conducted two 30-minute walkovers targeting Dingy Skipper at Wigmore Valley Park, and another 30-minute walkover in fields F9/F11. Deployed a set of pitfall traps in field F13 and carried out some sampling. Deployed a set of pitfall traps in field F9 (uncut treatment) and carried out some sampling.
9 th June	Deployed a set of pitfall traps in field F11 (cut treatment) and carried out some sampling. Surveyed Luton Parkway Verges DWS by beating, sweeping and suction sampling. Surveyed both the cut and uncut treatments of fields F9/F11 by sweeping and direct observation. Surveyed the spoil banks at Winch Hill Farm by sweeping and ground-searching.
25 th June	Retrieved the bottle trap from the veteran Apple at Wich Hill Farm. Retrieved the pitfall traps from the cut and uncut treatments of fields F9/F11, and from field F13, and carried out further sampling of all fields by sweeping and ground- searching. Surveyed the compost heap in the south-eastern corner of F11 by sieving. Surveyed Luton Parkway Verges DWS by beating, sweeping and suction sampling.

3.2 SAMPLING METHODS

As noted in Table 1, a range of methods including beating, sweeping, sieving and groundsearching was used to sample for invertebrates, and further details of these are provided in Table 2.

Table 2: Methods employed on this survey to record invertebrates, and their target groupsand target habitats.

Method	Target groups	Target habitats
Sweeping (also known as sweep-netting), with a stout canvas net.	Beetles (Coleoptera) and bugs (Heteroptera) and many other insects.	All vegetated habitats, paying particular attention to potential food-plants and to nectar and pollen sources.

Method	Target groups	Target habitats	
Ground-searching: grubbing at ground level, turning over logs, stones, reptile felts, etc.	A wide range of ground-living invertebrates, particularly beetles, bugs, ants (Hymenoptera: Formicidae) woodlice (Isopoda) and molluscs.	Open, unshaded habitats such as grassland and bare ground.	
Suction sampling (also known as vacuum sampling).	A wide range of ground-living invertebrates, as above. Particularly effective for species which are too small, too well-camouflaged or too quick-running to be successfully captured by hand.	Grassland and sparsely- vegetated ground.	
Sieving.	Handfuls of material are sieved over a tray to reveal their inhabitants. A good technique for a very wide range of invertebrates.	Various substrates such as dead-wood, fungi, leaf- litter, wood-chip, compost, manure, dung, carrion, etc.	
Beating.	Beetles and bugs on the branches, flowers and foliage of shrubs and trees.	Hedges, woodland and trees.	
Direct observation.	Bees, wasps, flies, butterflies and moths (Lepidoptera), grasshoppers and crickets (Orthoptera), etc.	All habitats, paying particular attention to nectar and pollen sources.	

3.3 TRAPPING METHODS

3.3.1 Aerial Interception trapping: bottle trap

This design of aerial interception trap consists of a single 2 litre bottle (Figure 13). Two sections of nearly 180° are cut from opposite sides of the bottle and the resulting flaps joined together internally to present an interception surface (Figure 14). Any flying insects hitting this surface and dropping will end up in the diluted vehicle antifreeze in the bottom of the trap.

Hung against the trunks and major boughs of mature and veteran trees, these traps are excellent at targeting saproxylic invertebrates which fly around such trees, especially those flying into and out of hollows in trees, including many heartwood specialists.



Figure 13: The aerial interception trap design used by this project.



Figure 14: Detail of the aerial interception trap, showing the internal surface of the trap.

One bottle trap was deployed outside a hollow on the trunk of the veteran Apple at Winch Hill Farm (TL13707 21860), from 8th to 25th June 2021.

3.3.2 Pitfall trapping

Pitfall trapping was carried out using 50 cl disposable plastic tumblers, with an internal diameter at the mouth of 86 mm. These cups can be inserted neatly into holes cored with a gardeners' bulb planter, meaning minimal disturbance to the surrounding ground. Cups were set with the mouth flush with the ground surface, or slightly recessed. Each cup was filled to between a third and a half full with dilute vehicle antifreeze. Cups were covered with 12 mm square gauge galvanized wire mesh, pegged down at the edges, to inhibit access by vertebrates (Figure 15).

Three sets of pitfall traps were deployed (Table 3).

Location	Number of traps	Date span
Field F9 (an example of the uncut treatment): line from TL13393 21469 to TL13404 21455.	4 pitfall cups	8 th to 25 th June 2021
Field F11 (an example of the cut treatment): line from TL13299 21810 to TL13325 21824.	4 pitfall cups	9 th to 25 th June 2021
Field F13: line from TL13126 22194 to TL13132 22290.	4 pitfall cups	8 th to 25 th June 2021

Table 3: Details of the sets of pitfall traps.



Figure 15: Pitfall trap *in situ* in field F9.

3.3.3 Noble Chafer trapping

A live trap for Noble Chafer was set on the veteran Apple tree at Winch Hill Farm from 8th to 25th June 2021. This trap functions on a very similar principle to the aerial interception bottle trap described above (Section 3.3.1) but with a small vial of a specific Noble Chafer pheromone used as an attractant. This pheromone has been developed by Dr Deborah Harvey of Royal Holloway, University of London, and this trap and the pheromone were supplied and operated as part of her post-doctoral research on Noble Chafer.

3.4 IDENTIFICATION

Where practical, invertebrates were identified in the field but wherever the slightest doubt existed, one or more specimens were collected, or photographs taken, for more detailed scrutiny. To achieve rigorously accurate identifications, specimens were identified using the surveyor's own library and entomological collection. Selected specimens have been retained in the surveyor's personal collection as vouchers.

3.5 CONSTRAINTS

Invertebrate activity is significantly affected by the weather, which can seriously diminish the effectiveness of some sampling techniques. During fieldwork in 2021, weather conditions were very good throughout and did not hamper the invertebrate survey (Table 4).

From an entomologist's perspective, the 2021 field season was delayed by two to three weeks as a result of an unusually cold and dry spring, but caught up rapidly in the warmer, sunnier weather from late May into early June.

Date	Weather notes
8 th June	Forecast temperatures from 17 to 23 °C. Light breeze (F2) from the west. Sunny intervals. Dry.
9 th June	Similar to the preceding day but even warmer and sunnier under cloudless skies.
25 th June	Forecast temperatures from 15 to 19 °C. Gentle breeze (F3) from the west. Sunny intervals. Dry.

 Table 4: Weather conditions during survey visits in 2021.

3.6 ANALYSIS

3.6.1 Key Species

To assess the importance of a site for invertebrate conservation, the number and percentage of rare or scarce species found may be calculated. Sites of greater importance support higher percentages of rare or scarce species, and this percentage is a useful starting point for assessing the overall importance of a site, in comparison to other sites surveyed using similar techniques.

A standard definition of 'rare or scarce' is essential to allow a fair comparison to be made between sites. For the analyses in this report, species were only included which have been assigned an official rare or scarce conservation status as defined in the box below, and all such species are here called 'Key Species'.

Conservation status categories of invertebrates

A system of conservation statuses has been in use since the British Red Data Book for insects (Shirt, 1987), amended and supplemented by a series of JNCC Nature Conservation reviews. By this system, the rarest and most threatened British species are given one of the Red Data Book (RDB) statuses. Species which do not qualify as RDB but are nonetheless uncommon are given one of the Nationally Scarce statuses. The status categories and criteria of this first version are defined in Appendix 1.1.

A second version of British conservation statuses published in the Species Status series from Natural England and Natural Resources Wales is now gradually replacing the first version. For butterflies, dragonflies, water beetles and several other groups, the most upto-date British conservation statuses are based on the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Red List categories and criteria (IUCN, 2001). This system places less emphasis on rarity and more on factors which suggest a risk of extinction (such as severe declines in range or population). The status categories and criteria of this second version are defined in Appendix 1.2.

A third version of British conservation statuses operates in parallel with the second and is a very simplified version of the first, having just two categories: Nationally Rare or Nationally Scarce. This version is defined in Appendix 1.3.

Key Species are here defined as Red Data Book and Nationally Scarce species from version 1, Threatened, Near Threatened and Data Deficient species from version 2, and Nationally Rare or Nationally Scarce species from version 3.

The Key Species may be further divided into **Rare Key Species** (here defined as Red Data Book species from version 1, Threatened and Data Deficient species from version 2, and Nationally Rare species from version 3) and **Scarce Key Species** (the remainder).

There are frequent examples of invertebrates which have been given a conservation status and have subsequently been found to be more widespread and abundant. This may arise either as a result of an actual increase in range or population size, or as a result of improved understanding by entomologists of how to find or identify them. Where the author regards the official conservation status to be out of date, this is indicated in the appropriate text and is taken into account in the assessments.

3.6.2 Pantheon

Pantheon is an analytical tool developed by Natural England and the Centre for Ecology & Hydrology to assist invertebrate nature conservation in England. Users import lists of invertebrates into Pantheon, which can then be used to analyse the species, attaching associated habitats and resources, conservation statuses and other data against them. Pantheon has been available online since April 2018 at: <u>http://www.brc.ac.uk/pantheon/</u>.

Some of the most informative outputs of Pantheon are the calculations of Species Quality Index (SQI). Precisely how SQI is calculated is no longer transparent but in Natural England's ISIS application (the predecessor to Pantheon), each species had been allocated to one of six rarity scores (0, 1, 2, 4, 8, 16), with the commonest species scoring 0 and the rarest scoring 16. For an assemblage of species, the mean of their rarity scores, multiplied by 100, yielded an ISIS Rarity Score for the assemblage. For example, if a survey recorded 46 species from a particular assemblage, and the sum of their 46 species rarity scores was 106, the average of all the individual species rarity scores would be 2.30 (= 106/46) and the ISIS Rarity Score would be 230, derived by multiplying that average by 100. It is presumed that the online Pantheon system calculates SQI by a similar method.

3.6.3 Assessing the importance of the survey area

The assessments in this report take into account Natural England's pamphlet *Organising surveys to determine site quality for invertebrates: a framework guide for ecologists* (Anon., 2005) which advises that 'A survey should classify a site as one of the following:

- 1 Little/ no importance,
- 2 Local/ county importance,
- 3 Regional importance,
- 4 National importance,
- 5 European importance'.

4 Results and Assessments

4.1 **OVERALL RESULTS**

4.1.1 Species list

The survey in 2021 recorded 331 species of invertebrates (Appendix 2).

The survey identified invertebrates from a very wide range of taxonomic groups: woodlice, spiders, pseudoscorpions, millipedes, springtails, dragonflies, earwigs, bush-crickets, grasshoppers, barkflies, aphids, psyllids, froghoppers, leafhoppers, bugs, beetles, sawflies, ants, bees, wasps, scorpion-flies, flies, moths, butterflies, slugs and snails.

There was a focus of effort on beetles (Coleoptera) with 175 species recorded, forming 53% of the total species list.

4.1.2 Species of Principal Importance

For most SPI, such as those detailed in Section 2.5, their occurrence within the survey area would be an important consideration for developers and planners. However, the Section 41 list includes a number of moths and butterflies which are still widespread and common though declining, and were formerly regarded as 'research-only' Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) species. Though they have been added to Section 41, conservation action for these 'research only' species is focused on further research rather than protection of individual sites.

Two SPI were recorded during the survey in 2021 and both belong to the group of 'research only' species: *Coenonympha pamphilus* Small Heath butterfly and *Tyria jacobaeae* Cinnabar moth. Small Heath butterfly is also a Key Species with Near Threatened conservation status.

4.1.3 Key Species

Amongst the 331 species recorded by the 2021 survey, 21 species are here regarded as Key Species (using the criteria defined in Section 3.6.1), including two Rare Key Species (Table 5: see Appendix 3).

4.2 THE 2018-19 SURVEY AREA

4.2.1 Dingy Skipper surveys

No Dingy Skipper butterflies *Erynnis tages* were observed during the survey, either in Wigmore Valley Park or in Fields F9/F11. Fieldwork targeting Dingy Skipper consisted of two 30-minute walkovers at Wigmore Valley Park, and another 30-minute walkover in fields F9/F11 on 8th June. In addition to this targeted fieldwork, substantial time was spent in fields F9/F11 over the course of 8th, 9th and 25th June during which time a constant vigilance for Dingy Skippers was maintained.

All fieldwork was carried out in excellent weather conditions, at the right time of day and during the adult flight season, and so the absence of any Dingy Skipper sightings may be taken as rather strong evidence for the absence of the butterfly. This means that the Dingy Skipper population in the southern part of Wigmore Valley Park appears to have died out since they were recorded there in 2019 (Telfer, 2019), and the butterfly has not colonised the increasingly suitable habitat within fields F9/F11.

4.2.2 Fields F9, F11 and F13

These fields were surveyed by sweeping, ground-searching and direct observation during 8^{th} – 9^{th} June and 25^{th} June, and by pitfall trapping between these dates. The resulting samples yielded a list of 171 invertebrate species (Table 6) which indicates a rather rich habitat for invertebrates.

No individuals of the Set-aside Downy-back beetle *Ophonus laticollis* were found in 2021. With such a large area of former arable fields, it would not be safe to conclude that Setaside Downy-back is absent from this area without much more extensive sampling work. However, it seems reasonable to conclude that if Set-aside Downy-back is present within these fields it is probably restricted to field edges in close proximity to thick hedges or woodland edges with tussocks and accumulations of leaf litter, as has been previously found for this species (Telfer, 2009).

Amongst the 171 species recorded from fields F9, F11 and F13, 11 species are here regarded as Key Species (Table 6). These 11 species comprise 6.4% of the total species list of 171. However, of the 11 Key Species recorded, five are here regarded as having out of date and inaccurate statuses (as noted in Table 5). The remaining six Key Species should be regarded as having accurate conservation statuses, though for some of these also there is evidence of an upward trend in range and/or abundance. If the Key Species with out of date and inaccurate conservation statuses are taken into account by the analysis, this survey recorded 3.5% Key Species (6 out of 171) from fields F9, F11 and F13.

Pantheon identified that the only important assemblage within the species list was the assemblage of 'short sward & bare ground' species, with a rather high Species Quality Index of 153. This assemblage includes four of the six accurately-rated Key Species, the other two being also associated with open habitats but tending to favour taller swards.

The important assemblage of 'short sward & bare ground' species was found in both field F13 and in the cut areas of fields F9/F11. The extraordinary numbers of Bombardier Beetle *Brachinus crepitans* recorded by pitfall trapping from the cut areas of fields F9/F11 (422) and field F13 (1,316) indicate a very large population of this Nationally Scarce species which has an important stronghold here in both a Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire context.

The important assemblage of 'short sward & bare ground' species was also found in the uncut areas of fields F9/F11 but the reduced area of actual short sward and bare ground was reflected in lower numbers of Bombardier Beetle (256 individuals), while the availability of longer swards and tussocks allowed members of the 'tall sward & scrub' assemblage to occur, including the remaining two accurately-rated Key Species.

Key Species analysis and Pantheon analysis both indicate that fields F9, F11 and F13 are areas of conservation importance for invertebrates at the county level, notably for the assemblage of 'short sward & bare ground' species.

4.2.3 Compost heap in the south-eastern corner of field F11

The very large compost heap in the south-eastern corner of F11 was sampled on 25th June by sieving, which yielded a list of only 27 invertebrate species including two woodlice, a pseudoscorpion, several bugs and numerous beetles. Most of the recorded species belong to the surrounding grassland habitats and only nine of the species recorded are species which are frequently associated with compost heaps and other such heaps of decaying organic material; all are common species (Table 7).

The compost heap in the south-eastern corner of F11 was found to be supporting rather few species, and rather few compost heap specialists, and should be regarded as low quality habitat for invertebrates.

4.2.4 Spoil banks at Winch Hill Farm

Sampling of the spoil banks yielded a list of 60 invertebrate species, indicating a rather rich habitat for invertebrates (Table 8).

Four of the species recorded (6.7% of the list of 60 species) are here regarded as Key Species (Table 8). However, one of the four (the weevil *Rhinocyllus conicus*, Nationally Scarce (Nb)) has an out-of-date and inaccurate conservation status and should now be regarded as common. Its status is bracketed ('[Nb]') in Pantheon indicating that this is also Natural England's view. Taking *R. conicus* into account, the three accurately-rated Key Species make up 5.0% of the species list of 60.

Pantheon analysis assigned 18 species to the 'short sward & bare ground' assemblage, which is a subset of the 'open habitats' biotope, including all four of the Key Species. Pantheon calculated a Species Quality Index of 200 for the 'short sward & bare ground' assemblage, which is a very high score.

The ground beetle *Scybalicus oblongiusculus* was discovered at the spoil banks. This is a Vulnerable (VU) and Nationally Rare (NR) species which had not been recorded during the 2018-19 survey work. It is a beetle of open habitats, favouring well-drained soils and well-insolated situations, typically provided by early-successional habitats on brownfield sites. It was recorded from a stretch of Dorset coastline between 1878 and 1951, covering at least four hectads but then appeared to go extinct in Britain before being rediscovered at Cuxton, East Kent, in 2000 and in South Essex in 2002 (Telfer, 2016). In South Essex, the number of

known sites has been increasing slowly but steadily and it appears to have been expanding its range beyond Kent and Essex, with the first Hertfordshire record in 2019.

The 2018-19 assessment found that 'short sward & bare ground' was a Key Habitat for invertebrates within the survey area, particularly including 'disturbed areas with much bare ground, and sparsely developed ruderal vegetation' (Telfer, 2019). The 2021 survey has shown that the spoil banks at Winch Hill Farm are another important area of this Key Habitat.

4.2.5 Veteran Apple at Winch Hill Farm

This individual tree was surveyed by beating, bark-sweeping and interception trapping. A pheromone lure for Noble Chafer beetle *Gnorimus nobilis* was also deployed. Samples of debris from within the hollow trunk were examined for Noble Chafer larval frass pellets and other signs.

No Noble Chafer adults or larvae were recorded, nor were any other signs of Noble Chafer presence recorded. Survey work in 2018-19 also targeted Noble Chafer, including with the use of pheromone lures, but without recording any individuals or other signs. Noble Chafer can be regarded as absent from the Winch Hill Farm orchard with a high degree of certainty.

Samples from the veteran Apple tree yielded only 10 invertebrate species which are 'saproxylic', i.e., dependent to some extent on the decay process of the heartwood and other woody parts of the tree (Table 9). One of the 10 saproxylic species, the beetle *Enicmus rugosus*, was given Nationally Scarce status by Hyman and Parsons (1994) but it has been expanding its range and should no longer be regarded as a Nationally Scarce species (Telfer and Hammond, 2007). The remaining species are common.

The 2018-19 survey found that the Luton Airport survey area supported an important assemblage of 'tree-associated' invertebrates, and was particularly important for saproxylic invertebrates. The Key Habitats for tree-associated invertebrates at the Luton Airport survey area were found to be the broad-leaved woods, hedges and field boundary trees of the Eastern Area and Wigmore Valley Park. The derelict orchard at Winch Hill Farm was not regarded as an area of Key Habitat by Telfer (2019). The further survey work in 2021 confirmed that the veteran Apple tree at Winch Hill Farm, along with the other younger and smaller Apple trees nearby, are of lesser importance for invertebrates than the Key Habitats.

4.3 LUTON PARKWAY VERGES DISTRICT WILDLIFE SITE

Luton Parkway Verges was surveyed over two visits using beating to sample from shrubs and trees, and sweep-netting and suction-sampling to sample from the grassland, as well as direct observations.

The samples taken from Luton Parkway Verges DWS yielded a list of 133 invertebrate species (Table 10). Taking into account the amount of survey effort, a list of 133 species suggests a fairly rich site for invertebrates.

Amongst the 133 species recorded from Luton Parkway Verges, eight species are here regarded as Key Species (Table 10). These eight species comprise 6.0% of the total species list of 133. However, of the eight Key Species recorded, four are here regarded as having out of date and inaccurate statuses (as noted in Table 5). The remaining four Key Species should be regarded as having accurate conservation statuses, though for some of these also there

is evidence of an upward trend in range and/or abundance. If the Key Species with out of date and inaccurate conservation statuses are taken into account by the analysis, this survey recorded 3.0% Key Species (4 out of 133) from Luton Parkway Verges.

Pantheon analysis indicated that the species list from Luton Parkway Verges was notable only for including an assemblage of 'short sward & bare ground' species with a fairly high Species Quality Index of 141. This assemblage includes two of the accurately-rated Key Species, the other two being also associated with open habitats but tending to favour taller swards.

Both the Key Species analysis and Pantheon analysis suggest that the Luton Parkway Verges DWS is of local importance for invertebrates of 'short sward & bare ground', and specifically of shorter, more flower-rich grassland swards.

The 2018-19 assessment found that 'short sward & bare ground' was a Key Habitat for invertebrates within the survey area, particularly including such 'shorter, more flower-rich grassland swards' (Telfer, 2019). The 2021 survey has shown that the Luton Parkway Verges DWS is another example of this Key Habitat. However, it is a relatively low quality example, and does not match the habitat quality of the much larger area of such habitat in the southern part of Wigmore Valley Park (Figure 2).

5 Recommendations

In view of the Luton Airport survey area's importance for invertebrate conservation in a county context, the following recommendations are made to supplement those made in the report of the 2018-19 survey (Telfer, 2019).

5.1 THE 2018-19 SURVEY AREA

5.1.1 Fields F9, F11 and F13

The 2021 survey has shown that fields F9, F11 and F13 are an important area of one of the Key Habitats for invertebrates within the survey area: 'short sward & bare ground'. Though these fields are no longer in arable production, they support an invertebrate assemblage analogous to that found by the 2018-19 survey in arable margins, field edges and field corners (Telfer, 2019).

It is recommended here, as also by Telfer (2019), that unavoidable losses of such habitat be minimised.

It should be noted that the invertebrate habitats supported by fields F9, F11 and F13 in 2021 have largely been created within the last few years, and thus clearly demonstrate that further areas of habitat could be created on areas of land that are currently used for arable production on chalky soils. To maintain habitat for the 'short sward & bare ground' invertebrate assemblage, such areas should be managed by soil disturbance such as annual cultivation, and not solely by cutting.

5.1.2 Compost heap in the south-eastern corner of field F11

Although the large compost heap in the south-eastern corner of F11 was found to be a low quality habitat for invertebrates, it should be noted that the practice of collecting the arisings from cutting fields F9/F11 and creating a compost heap is an excellent management practice. Cutting and leaving the arisings is the more frequent management practice but is

detrimental to the botanical and entomological value of a habitat by smothering bare ground and low-growing plants. The cut-and-collect management of fields F9/F11, along with the creation of a large compost heap, should be continued.

5.1.3 Spoil banks at Winch Hill Farm

The 2021 survey has shown that the spoil banks at Winch Hill Farm are another important area of one of the Key Habitats for invertebrates within the survey area: 'short sward & bare ground', particularly 'disturbed areas with much bare ground, and sparsely developed ruderal vegetation' (Telfer, 2019).

It is recommended that unavoidable losses of such habitat be minimised, as also recommended by Telfer (2019).

In the context of potentially creating compensatory habitat for 'short sward & bare ground' invertebrates, it should be noted that the spoil banks at Winch Hill Farm have inadvertently demonstrated that high-quality habitat for these invertebrates can be created quite easily within about two years and within a fairly small land area.

5.1.4 Veteran Apple at Winch Hill Farm

The further survey work in 2021 confirmed that the veteran Apple tree at Winch Hill Farm, along with the other younger and smaller Apple trees nearby, are of lesser importance for invertebrates than the Key Habitats.

Thus, with regard to trees, hedges and woodland, no amendments are required to the recommendation of Telfer (2019), which was for retention of, or minimisation of impact to, the broad-leaved woods, hedges and field boundary trees of the Eastern Area and Wigmore Valley Park.

5.2 LUTON PARKWAY VERGES DISTRICT WILDLIFE SITE

The 2021 survey has found that the open habitats within the Luton Parkway Verges DWS support an example of one of the Key Habitats for invertebrates within the survey area: 'short sward & bare ground', particularly shorter, more flower-rich grassland swards. Although the grassland area at Luton Parkway Verges is a relatively low quality example of this invertebrate habitat, it would nevertheless be desirable to follow the recommendation of Telfer (2019) 'to avoid or minimise impacts on these patches of habitat'.

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Appendix 1: British Conservation Status Categories – Definitions.

1.1 Status Categories and Criteria Version 1 (Shirt, 1987)

These status categories and criteria were introduced for British insects by Shirt (1987) and received some modifications by later authors (e.g., Hyman and Parsons (1992, 1994)).

Red Data Book category EXTINCT (RDB Extinct)

Definition Species which were formerly native to Britain but have not been recorded since 1900.

Red Data Book category 1, Endangered (RDB1)

Definition Species in danger of extinction and whose survival is unlikely if causal factors continue to operate. Endangered species either (a) occur as only a single population within one 10-km square, or (b) only occur in especially vulnerable habitats, or (c) have been declining rapidly or continuously for twenty years or more to the point where they occur in five or fewer 10-km squares, or (d) may already have become extinct.

Red Data Book category 2, Vulnerable (RDB2)

Definition Species which are likely to move into the Endangered category in the near future if causal factors continue to operate. Vulnerable species are declining throughout their range or occupy vulnerable habitats.

Red Data Book category 3, Rare (RDB3)

Definition Species which occur in small populations and although not currently either Endangered or Vulnerable are at risk. Rare species exist in 15 or fewer 10-km squares, or are more widespread than this but dependent on small areas of especially vulnerable habitat.

Red Data Book category I, Indeterminate (RDBi)

- Note: Best written as 'RDBi' rather than 'RDBI' as the latter is easily confused with 'RDB1' (Endangered).
- Definition Species considered to be either Endangered, Vulnerable or Rare but with insufficient information to say which.

Red Data Book category K, Insufficiently Known (RDBK)

Definition Species suspected to merit either Endangered, Vulnerable, Rare or Indeterminate status but lacking sufficient information. Species included in this category may have only recently been discovered in Britain, or may be very poorly recorded for a variety of reasons.

Nationally Scarce Category A (Na)

Definition Species which do not fall within Red Data Book categories but which are nonetheless uncommon in Great Britain and thought to occur in 30 or fewer (typically between 16 and 30) 10-km squares of the National Grid, or for less wellrecorded groups, in seven or fewer vice-counties.

Nationally Scarce Category B (Nb)

Definition Species which do not fall within Red Data Book categories but which are nonetheless uncommon in Great Britain and thought to occur in between 31 and 100 10-km squares of the National Grid, or for less well-recorded groups, between eight and twenty vice-counties.

Nationally Scarce (N)

- Definition Species which do not fall within Red Data Book categories but which are nonetheless uncommon in Great Britain. This status category has been used where information has not been sufficient to allocate a species to either Na or Nb. These species are thought to occur in between 16 and 100 10-km squares of the National Grid.
- **Note**: the terms 'Nationally Scarce' and 'Nationally Notable' are synonymous. For consistency in this report, the term 'Nationally Scarce' is preferred, even where the original source used 'Nationally Notable'.

1.2 Status Categories and Criteria Version 2 (IUCN, 2001)

These later status categories and criteria are based on IUCN Red List Categories and Criteria version 3.1 (IUCN, 2001) and have been applied to British butterflies, dragonflies, water beetles and several other invertebrate groups.

Critically Endangered (CR)

A taxon is Critically Endangered when the best available evidence indicates that it is facing an **extremely high** risk of extinction in the wild.

Endangered (EN)

A taxon is Endangered when the best available evidence indicates that it is facing a **very high** risk of extinction in the wild.

Vulnerable (VU)

- A taxon is Vulnerable when the best available evidence indicates that it is facing a **high** risk of extinction in the wild.
- **N.B.:** Species belonging to the above three categories may be collectively referred to as **Threatened**.

Data Deficient (DD)

- A taxon is Data Deficient when there is inadequate information to make a direct, or indirect, assessment of its risk of extinction based on its distribution and/or population status. A taxon in this category may be well studied, and its biology well known, but appropriate data on abundance and/or distribution are lacking. Data Deficient is therefore not a category of threat. Listing of taxa in this category indicates that more information is required and acknowledges the possibility that future research will show that threatened classification is appropriate.
- The DD category effectively replaces the Indeterminate (RDBi) and Insufficiently Known (RDBK) categories of the earlier version.

Near Threatened (NT)

A taxon is Near Threatened when it has been evaluated against the criteria but does not qualify for Critically Endangered, Endangered or Vulnerable now, but is close to qualifying for or is likely to qualify for a threatened category in the near future.

Least Concern (LC)

A taxon is Least Concern when it has been evaluated against the criteria and does not qualify for Critically Endangered, Endangered, Vulnerable or Near Threatened. Widespread and abundant taxa are included in this category.

Not Applicable (NA)

A taxon is Not Applicable when it is either regarded as a non-native in Britain or occurs solely as a natural vagrant.

1.3 Status Categories and Criteria Version 3 (GB Rarity Status)

These status categories and criteria operate in parallel with version 2 and are defined specifically for use in Britain where they provide some continuity with version 1, allowing the continued use of "rare and scarce" species for site assessment purposes.

Nationally Rare (NR)

Native species which have not been recorded from more than 15 British hectads in recent decades and where there is reasonable confidence that exhaustive recording would not find them in more than 15 hectads. This category includes species which are probably extinct.

Nationally Scarce (NS)

Native species which are not regarded as Nationally Rare AND which have not been recorded from more than 100 British hectads in recent decades and where there is reasonable confidence that exhaustive recording would not find them in more than 100 hectads.

Appendix 2: List of invertebrates recorded at Luton Airport in 2021

Key Species and Section 41 species are listed in red text. The table is in taxonomic sequence. Full details of all records generated by the survey are held in a computer database by the author that may be consulted if required to provide further information such as precise localities, grid references, quantity, sex and life-stage.

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation Status
					(refer to Appendix 1)
Malacostraca	Isopoda	Philosciidae	Philoscia muscorum sens. str.	a common striped woodlouse	LC
Malacostraca	Isopoda	Oniscidae	Oniscus asellus	Common Shiny Woodlouse	LC
Malacostraca	Isopoda	Armadillidiidae	Armadillidium vulgare	Common Pill-woodlouse	LC
Malacostraca	Isopoda	Porcellionidae	Porcellio scaber	Common Rough Woodlouse	LC
Malacostraca	Isopoda	Trachelipidae	Trachelipus rathkii	a woodlouse	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Dysderidae	Dysdera erythrina	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Linyphiidae	Oedothorax retusus	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Linyphiidae	Oedothorax apicatus	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Linyphiidae	Erigone dentipalpis	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Linyphiidae	Erigone atra	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Linyphiidae	Tenuiphantes tenuis	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Tetragnathidae	Pachygnatha degeeri	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Araneidae	Araniella cucurbitina sens. str.	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Araneidae	Mangora acalypha	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Dictynidae	Dictyna uncinata	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Clubionidae	Clubiona comta	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Gnaphosidae	Drassyllus pusillus	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Philodromidae	Tibellus oblongus	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Thomisidae	Misumena vatia	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Salticidae	Salticus scenicus	a jumping spider	LC
Arachnida	Pseudoscorpiones	Chernetidae	Lamprochernes savignyi	Savigny's Shining Claw	None
Diplopoda	Polyxenida	Polyxenidae	Polyxenus lagurus	Bristly Millipede	LC

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Diplopoda	Glomerida	Glomeridae	Glomeris marginata	Pill Millipede	LC
Diplopoda	Julida	Julidae	Tachypodoiulus niger	White-legged Millipede	LC
Diplopoda	Julida	Julidae	Cylindroiulus caeruleocinctus	a millipede	LC
Diplopoda	Julida	Julidae	Brachyiulus pusillus	a millipede	LC
Diplopoda	Polydesmida	Polydesmidae	Polydesmus coriaceus	a flat-backed millipede	LC
Collembola	Entomobryomorpha	Entomobryidae	Orchesella cincta	a springtail	None
Insecta	Odonata	Libellulidae	Libellula depressa	Broad-bodied Chaser	LC
Insecta	Dermaptera	Forficulidae	Forficula auricularia	Common Earwig	LC
Insecta	Orthoptera	Tettigoniidae	Pholidoptera griseoaptera	Dark Bush-cricket	LC
Insecta	Orthoptera	Tettigoniidae	Metrioptera roeselii	Roesel's Bush-cricket	LC
Insecta	Orthoptera	Acrididae	Omocestus viridulus	Common Green Grasshopper	LC
Insecta	Psocoptera	Ectopsocidae	Ectopsocus briggsi	a barkfly	None
Insecta	Psocoptera	Stenopsocidae	Graphopsocus cruciatus	a barkfly	None
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Aphididae	Anoecia corni	Dogwood Aphid	None
Incocto	Hemintera	Devillidae	Crachadalanta narvasa	a paullid	Nono
IIISecta	Sternorrhyncha	Psyllidae		a psylliu	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Sternorrhyncha	Psyllidae	Psylla alni	Alder Psyllid	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Auchenorrhyncha	Aphrophoridae	Aphrophora alni	a froghopper	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Auchenorrhyncha	Aphrophoridae	Philaenus spumarius	a froghopper	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Auchenorrhyncha	Cicadellidae	Oncopsis alni	a leafhopper	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Auchenorrhyncha	Cicadellidae	Eupelix cuspidata	a leafhopper	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Auchenorrhyncha	Cicadellidae	Eupteryx aurata	a leafhopper	None

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Insecta	Hemiptera:	Cicadellidae	Eupteryx vittata	a leafhopper	None
	Auchenorrhyncha				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Tingidae	Acalypta carinata	a lacebug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Tingidae	Tingis cardui	a lacebug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Dicyphus errans	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Deraeocoris flavilinea	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Closterotomus norwegicus	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Grypocoris stysi	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Capsus ater	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Charagochilus gyllenhalii	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Leptopterna dolabrata	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Leptopterna ferrugata	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Megaloceroea recticornis	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Pithanus maerkelii	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Stenodema laevigata	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Heterotoma planicornis	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
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Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Amblytylus nasutus	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Atractotomus mali	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Phylus coryli	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Plagiognathus chrysanthemi	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Psallus varians	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Nabidae	Himacerus mirmicoides	Ant Damsel-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Nabidae	Nabis rugosus	Common Damsel-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Anthocoridae	Anthocoris nemoralis	a flower bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Anthocoridae	Anthocoris nemorum	a flower bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Anthocoridae	Orius laevigatus	a flower bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Anthocoridae	Orius niger	a flower bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Anthocoridae	Xylocoris galactinus	a flower bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Berytidae	Berytinus minor	a stiltbug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Lygaeidae	Nysius huttoni	a ground-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Lygaeidae	Nysius senecionis	a ground-bug	None
	Heteroptera				

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Insecta	Hemiptera:	Lygaeidae	Kleidocerys resedae	a ground-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Lygaeidae	Heterogaster urticae	a ground-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Lygaeidae	Drymus sylvaticus	a ground-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Lygaeidae	Scolopostethus affinis	a ground-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Lygaeidae	Taphropeltus contractus	a ground-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Coreidae	Coreus marginatus	Dock Bug	LC
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Rhopalidae	Rhopalus subrufus	a rhopalid bug	LC
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Rhopalidae	Stictopleurus punctatonervosus	a rhopalid bug	NA
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Scutelleridae	Eurygaster testudinaria	Tortoise Shieldbug	LC
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Pentatomidae	Podops inunctus	Knobbed Shieldbug	LC
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Pentatomidae	Aelia acuminata	Bishop's Mitre Shieldbug	LC
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Pentatomidae	Eysarcoris venustissimus	Woundwort Shieldbug	LC
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Pentatomidae	Palomena prasina	Common Green Shieldbug	LC
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Pentatomidae	Eurydema oleracea	Crucifer Shieldbug	LC
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Pentatomidae	Zicrona caerulea	Blue Shieldbug	LC
	Heteroptera				

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Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Carabus violaceus	Violet Ground Beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Leistus spinibarbis	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Nebria brevicollis	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Nebria salina	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Notiophilus biguttatus	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion lampros	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion obtusum	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Pterostichus madidus	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Pterostichus melanarius	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Abax parallelepipedus	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Anchomenus dorsalis	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara plebeja	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara convexior	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara lunicollis	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara montivaga	a ground beetle	LC, NS
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara ovata	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Curtonotus aulicus	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Harpalus affinis	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Harpalus rubripes	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Harpalus rufipes	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Ophonus ardosiacus	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Ophonus rufibarbis	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Scybalicus oblongiusculus	a ground beetle	VU, NR
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bradycellus verbasci	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Acupalpus meridianus	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Badister bullatus sens. lat.	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Microlestes minutulus	a ground beetle	LC

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Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Brachinus crepitans	Bombardier Beetle	LC, NS
Insecta	Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Megasternum	a beetle	None
			concinnum/immaculatum		
Insecta	Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Cryptopleurum minutum	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Ptiliidae	Ptenidium myrmicophilum	a featherwing beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Ptiliidae	Nephanes titan	a featherwing beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Leiodidae	Agathidium varians	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Leiodidae	Ptomaphagus sericatus	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Leiodidae	Ptomaphagus subvillosus	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Leiodidae	Sciodrepoides watsoni	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Leiodidae	Catops chrysomeloides	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Silphidae	Ablattaria laevigata	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Silphidae	Nicrophorus vespillo	a sexton beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Metopsia clypeata	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Sepedophilus nigripennis	a rove-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Tachyporus atriceps	a rove-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Tachyporus dispar	a rove-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Tachyporus hypnorum	a rove-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Tachyporus nitidulus	a rove-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Tachyporus solutus	a rove-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Oxypoda opaca	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Haploglossa villosula	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Aloconota gregaria	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Amischa analis	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Amischa forcipata	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Dinaraea angustula	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Mocyta fungi agg.	a rove-beetle	None

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Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Acrotona pseudotenera	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Aleochara curtula	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Drusilla canaliculata	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Cypha longicornis	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Lithocharis ochracea	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Bisnius subuliformis	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Ocypus olens	Devil's Coach-horse	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Ocypus nitens	a rove-beetle	Nationally Scarce (Na)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Ocypus fuscatus	a rove-beetle	Nationally Scarce (Nb)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Tasgius winkleri	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Quedius cruentus	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Quedius semiobscurus	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Gyrohypnus fracticornis	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Xantholinus linearis	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Xantholinus longiventris	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Elateridae	Athous campyloides	a click-beetle	Nationally Scarce (Nb)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Elateridae	Adrastus pallens	a click-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Elateridae	Agriotes lineatus	a click-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Elateridae	Agriotes sputator	a click-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Elateridae	Melanotus villosus sens. str.	a click-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Cantharidae	Cantharis flavilabris	a soldier-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Cantharidae	Cantharis rustica	a soldier-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Cantharidae	Rhagonycha fulva	a soldier-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Cantharidae	Malthodes minimus	a soldier-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Dermestidae	Anthrenus fuscus	a carpet beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Ptinidae	Ochina ptinoides	a woodworm	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Melyridae	Malachius bipustulatus	Malachite Beetle	LC

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Insecta	Coleoptera	Melyridae	Cordylepherus viridis	a malachite beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Kateretidae	Brachypterus glaber	a nettle pollen beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Kateretidae	Brachypterus urticae	a nettle pollen beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Nitidulidae	Meligethes aeneus	Common Pollen Beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Nitidulidae	Meligethes carinulatus	a pollen beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Nitidulidae	Meligethes morosus	a pollen beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Phalacridae	Phalacrus corruscus	a beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Phalacridae	Olibrus affinis	a beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Cryptophagidae	Cryptophagus acutangulus	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Cryptophagidae	Atomaria atricapilla	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Rhyzobius chrysomeloides	a ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Rhyzobius litura	a ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Scymnus schmidti	a ladybird	Nationally Scarce (Nb)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Stethorus pusillus	a ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Exochomus quadripustulatus	Pine Ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Psyllobora vigintiduopunctata	22-spot Ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Propylea quattuordecimpunctata	14-spot Ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Harmonia axyridis	Harlequin Ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Coccinella septempunctata	7-spot Ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Hippodamia variegata	Adonis' Ladybird	Nationally Scarce (Nb)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Tytthaspis sedecimpunctata	16-spot Ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Henosepilachna argus	Bryony Ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Subcoccinella vigintiquattuorpunctata	24-spot Ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Latridiidae	Enicmus rugosus	a beetle	Nationally Scarce
Insecta	Coleoptera	Latridiidae	Enicmus transversus	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Latridiidae	Cartodere bifasciata	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Latridiidae	Cortinicara gibbosa	a beetle	None

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Insecta	Coleoptera	Mycetophagidae	Eulagius filicornis	a beetle	NA
Insecta	Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Prionychus ater	a darkling beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Oedemeridae	Oedemera nobilis	Swollen-thighed Beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Oedemeridae	Oedemera lurida	a beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Pyrochroidae	Pyrochroa serraticornis	Common Cardinal Beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Anthicidae	Anthicus antherinus	an ant-like flower beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Anthicidae	Omonadus formicarius	an ant-like flower beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Scraptiidae	Anaspis frontalis	a beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Scraptiidae	Anaspis maculata	a beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Scraptiidae	Anaspis pulicaria	a beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Cerambycidae	Grammoptera ruficornis	Common Grammoptera	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Bruchidius varius	a seed-beetle	NA
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Bruchus loti	a seed-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Bruchus rufimanus	a seed-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Cassida rubiginosa	Thistle Tortoise Beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Cassida vibex	a tortoise beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Agelastica alni	a leaf-beetle	DD, NR
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Phyllotreta astrachanica	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Phyllotreta nigripes	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Phyllotreta vittula	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Aphthona euphorbiae	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Longitarsus dorsalis	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Longitarsus succineus	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Longitarsus suturellus	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Altica palustris	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Chaetocnema hortensis	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Sphaeroderma rubidum	a flea-beetle	LC

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Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Cryptocephalus fulvus	a leaf-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Cryptocephalus labiatus	a leaf-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Cryptocephalus moraei	a leaf-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Ceratapion onopordi	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Ceratapion carduorum	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Ceratapion gibbirostre	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Aspidapion aeneum	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Squamapion cineraceum	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Na)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Taeniapion urticarium	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Pseudapion rufirostre	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Protapion assimile	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Protapion nigritarse	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Protapion trifolii	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Perapion curtirostre	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Apion frumentarium	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Stenopterapion tenue	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Ischnopterapion loti	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Polydrusus formosus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Na)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Exomias pellucidus	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Sitona humeralis	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Sitona lineatus	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Rhinocyllus conicus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Na)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Hypera plantaginis	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Dorytomus melanophthalmus	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Orthochaetes setiger	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Nb)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Rhinoncus pericarpius	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Microplontus campestris	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Nb)

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Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Ceutorhynchus obstrictus	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Ceutorhynchus pallidactylus	Cabbage Stem Weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Ceutorhynchus picitarsis	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Sirocalodes mixtus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Nb)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Trichosirocalus horridus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Na)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Trichosirocalus rufulus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Na)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Trichosirocalus troglodytes	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Anthonomus rubi	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Tychius junceus	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Tychius picirostris	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Tychius pusillus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Nb)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Mecinus pascuorum	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Mecinus pyraster	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Rhinusa neta	a weevil	None
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Cephidae	Calameuta pallipes	a sawfly	None
Incocta	Symphyta Hymenoptera:	Bethylidae	Rethylus fuscicornis	a solitary wasp	None
insecta	Aculeata	Detriyildae			None
Insecta	Hymenoptera: Aculeata	Bethylidae	Epyris niger	a solitary wasp	None
Insecta	Hymenoptera: Aculeata	Formicidae	Lasius niger sens. str.	an ant	None
Insecta	Hymenoptera: Aculeata	Formicidae	Myrmica rubra	an ant	None
Insecta	Hymenoptera: Aculeata	Formicidae	Myrmica sabuleti	an ant	None
Insecta	Hymenoptera: Aculeata	Formicidae	Myrmica scabrinodis	an ant	None

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation Status
					(refer to Appendix 1)
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Apidae	Apis mellifera	Honey Bee	None
	Aculeata				
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Apidae	Bombus hypnorum	Tree Bumblebee	None
-	Aculeata				
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Apidae	Bombus lapidarius	Large Red-tailed Bumblebee	None
	Aculeata				•
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Apidae	Bombus lucorum sens. lat.	White-tailed Bumblebee	None
Incocto	Aculeata	Anidao	Pombuc pascuarum	Common Cardar baa	Nono
insecta		Apiuae	Bombus puscuorum	common carder-bee	NOTE
Insecta	Hymenontera	Anidae	Bombus pratorum	Early Bumblebee	None
moceta	Aculeata	/ place			None
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Apidae	Bombus terrestris	Buff-tailed Bumblebee	None
	Aculeata				
Insecta	Mecoptera	Panorpidae	Panorpa communis	a scorpion-fly	None
Insecta	Diptera	Bibionidae	Bibio marci	St Mark's Fly	None
Insecta	Diptera	Asilidae	Leptogaster cylindrica	Striped Slender Robberfly	LC
Insecta	Diptera	Asilidae	Dioctria rufipes	Common Red-legged	LC
				Robberfly	
Insecta	Diptera	Syrphidae	Episyrphus balteatus	a hoverfly	LC
Insecta	Diptera	Tephritidae	Urophora quadrifasciata	a picture-winged fly	None
Insecta	Diptera	Tephritidae	Urophora stylata	a picture-winged fly	None
Insecta	Diptera	Tephritidae	Oxyna parietina	a picture-winged fly	None
Insecta	Diptera	Tephritidae	Tephritis neesii	a picture-winged fly	None
Insecta	Diptera	Tephritidae	Chaetorellia jaceae	a picture-winged fly	None
Insecta	Diptera	Tephritidae	Terellia serratulae	a picture-winged fly	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Choreutidae	Anthophila fabriciana	Nettle-tap	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Gelechiidae	Oxypteryx unicolorella	Unmarked Neb	Nationally Scarce (Nb)
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Aethes smeathmanniana	Yarrow Conch	None

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation Status
					(refer to Appendix 1)
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Epiblema costipunctana	Ragwort Bell	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Dichrorampha sequana	Square-spot Drill	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Dichrorampha plumbana	Lead-coloured Drill	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Crambidae	Crambus lathoniellus	Hook-streaked Grass-Veneer	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Crambidae	Pyrausta purpuralis	Common Purple & Gold	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Myelois circumvoluta	Thistle Ermine	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Pieridae	Gonepteryx rhamni	Brimstone	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Pieridae	Pieris napi	Green-veined White	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Pieridae	Anthocharis cardamines	Orange-tip	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Lycaenidae	Lycaena phlaeas	Small Copper	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Lycaenidae	Aricia agestis	Brown Argus	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Lycaenidae	Polyommatus icarus	Common Blue	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Vanessa atalanta	Red Admiral	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Vanessa cardui	Painted Lady	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Aglais urticae	Small Tortoiseshell	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Aglais io	Peacock	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Maniola jurtina	Meadow Brown	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Coenonympha pamphilus	Small Heath	NT, S41 (research
					only)
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Camptogramma bilineata	Yellow Shell	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Erebidae	Tyria jacobaeae	Cinnabar	S41 (research only)
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Cucullia verbasci	Mullein	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Autographa gamma	Silver Y	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euclidia mi	Mother Shipton	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Euclidia glyphica	Burnet Companion	None
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Agriolimacidae	Deroceras reticulatum	Netted Field Slug	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Agriolimacidae	Deroceras invadens	Tramp Slug	LC

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					(refer to Appendix 1)
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Arionidae	Arion (Mesarion) subfuscus	Dusky Slug	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Cochlicopidae	Cochlicopa lubrica	Slippery Moss-snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Helicidae	Cepaea hortensis	White-lipped Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Hygromiidae	Candidula intersecta	Wrinkled Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Hygromiidae	Cernuella virgata	Striped Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Hygromiidae	Monacha cantiana	Kentish Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Hygromiidae	Trochulus hispidus	Hairy Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Hygromiidae	Trochulus striolatus	Strawberry Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Oxychilidae	Aegopinella pura	Clear Glass-snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Oxychilidae	Aegopinella nitidula	Smooth Glass-snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Oxychilidae	Oxychilus cellarius	Cellar Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Punctidae	Punctum pygmaeum	Dwarf Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Valloniidae	Vallonia costata	Ribbed Grass-snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Valloniidae	Vallonia excentrica	Eccentric Grass-snail	LC

Appendix 3: Tables 5 to 10

Table 5: The Key Species of invertebrates recorded by the 2021 survey. The table is ordered by conservation status category starting with the rarest/ most threatened species. Conservation Status categories are described in Appendix 1. Species which are here considered to have an out-of-date conservation status ('OOD') are indicated.

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation Status	OOD?
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Scybalicus oblongiusculus	a ground beetle	VU, NR	
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Agelastica alni	a leaf-beetle	DD, NR	✓
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Coenonympha pamphilus	Small Heath	NT, S41 (research only)	
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara montivaga	a ground beetle	LC, NS	
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Brachinus crepitans	Bombardier Beetle	LC, NS	
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Ocypus nitens	a rove-beetle	Nationally Scarce (Na)	
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Squamapion cineraceum	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Na)	✓
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Polydrusus formosus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Na)	✓
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Rhinocyllus conicus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Na)	✓
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Trichosirocalus horridus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Na)	✓
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Trichosirocalus rufulus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Na)	
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Ocypus fuscatus	a rove-beetle	Nationally Scarce (Nb)	
Insecta	Coleoptera	Elateridae	Athous campyloides	a click-beetle	Nationally Scarce (Nb)	
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Scymnus schmidti	a ladybird	Nationally Scarce (Nb)	
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Hippodamia variegata	Adonis' Ladybird	Nationally Scarce (Nb)	✓
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Orthochaetes setiger	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Nb)	✓
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Microplontus campestris	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Nb)	✓
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Sirocalodes mixtus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Nb)	
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Tychius pusillus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Nb)	
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Gelechiidae	Oxypteryx unicolorella	Unmarked Neb	Nationally Scarce (Nb)	
Insecta	Coleoptera	Latridiidae	Enicmus rugosus	a beetle	Nationally Scarce	\checkmark

Table 6: Species of invertebrate recorded from fields F9, F11 and F13 by the 2021 survey. Key Species and Section 41 species are listed in red text. The table is in taxonomic sequence.

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation Status
Malacostraca	Isopoda	Philosciidae	Philoscia muscorum sens. str.	a common striped	LC
				woodlouse	
Malacostraca	Isopoda	Armadillidiidae	Armadillidium vulgare	Common Pill-woodlouse	LC
Malacostraca	Isopoda	Porcellionidae	Porcellio scaber	Common Rough Woodlouse	LC
Malacostraca	Isopoda	Trachelipidae	Trachelipus rathkii	a woodlouse	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Linyphiidae	Oedothorax retusus	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Linyphiidae	Oedothorax apicatus	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Linyphiidae	Erigone dentipalpis	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Linyphiidae	Erigone atra	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Tetragnathidae	Pachygnatha degeeri	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Araneidae	Mangora acalypha	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Gnaphosidae	Drassyllus pusillus	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Philodromidae	Tibellus oblongus	a spider	LC
Diplopoda	Glomerida	Glomeridae	Glomeris marginata	Pill Millipede	LC
Diplopoda	Julida	Julidae	Cylindroiulus caeruleocinctus	a millipede	LC
Diplopoda	Julida	Julidae	Brachyiulus pusillus	a millipede	LC
Diplopoda	Polydesmida	Polydesmidae	Polydesmus coriaceus	a flat-backed millipede	LC
Insecta	Dermaptera	Forficulidae	Forficula auricularia	Common Earwig	LC
Insecta	Orthoptera	Tettigoniidae	Metrioptera roeselii	Roesel's Bush-cricket	LC
Insecta	Orthoptera	Acrididae	Omocestus viridulus	Common Green Grasshopper	LC
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Tingidae	Tingis cardui	a lacebug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Closterotomus norwegicus	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Grypocoris stysi	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation Status
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Capsus ater	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Leptopterna dolabrata	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Leptopterna ferrugata	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Megaloceroea recticornis	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Pithanus maerkelii	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Amblytylus nasutus	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Plagiognathus chrysanthemi	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Nabidae	Nabis rugosus	Common Damsel-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Anthocoridae	Anthocoris nemoralis	a flower bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Anthocoridae	Orius niger	a flower bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Lygaeidae	Drymus sylvaticus	a ground-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Lygaeidae	Taphropeltus contractus	a ground-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Pentatomidae	Podops inunctus	Knobbed Shieldbug	LC
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Pentatomidae	Aelia acuminata	Bishop's Mitre Shieldbug	LC
	Heteroptera				

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation Status
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Pentatomidae	Zicrona caerulea	Blue Shieldbug	LC
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Carabus violaceus	Violet Ground Beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Nebria brevicollis	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Nebria salina	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Notiophilus biguttatus	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion obtusum	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Pterostichus madidus	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Pterostichus melanarius	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Abax parallelepipedus	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Anchomenus dorsalis	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara plebeja	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara convexior	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara lunicollis	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara montivaga	a ground beetle	LC, NS
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Amara ovata	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Curtonotus aulicus	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Harpalus affinis	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Harpalus rubripes	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Harpalus rufipes	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Ophonus ardosiacus	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bradycellus verbasci	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Badister bullatus sens. lat.	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Microlestes minutulus	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Brachinus crepitans	Bombardier Beetle	LC, NS
Insecta	Coleoptera	Leiodidae	Ptomaphagus sericatus	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Leiodidae	Ptomaphagus subvillosus	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Leiodidae	Sciodrepoides watsoni	a beetle	None

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Insecta	Coleoptera	Leiodidae	Catops chrysomeloides	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Silphidae	Ablattaria laevigata	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Silphidae	Nicrophorus vespillo	a sexton beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Tachyporus hypnorum	a rove-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Amischa analis	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Amischa forcipata	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Aleochara curtula	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Drusilla canaliculata	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Cypha longicornis	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Ocypus olens	Devil's Coach-horse	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Ocypus nitens	a rove-beetle	Nationally Scarce
					(Na)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Ocypus fuscatus	a rove-beetle	Nationally Scarce
					(Nb)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Tasgius winkleri	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Quedius semiobscurus	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Gyrohypnus fracticornis	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Xantholinus linearis	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Xantholinus longiventris	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Elateridae	Adrastus pallens	a click-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Elateridae	Agriotes lineatus	a click-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Elateridae	Agriotes sputator	a click-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Cantharidae	Cantharis flavilabris	a soldier-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Cantharidae	Cantharis rustica	a soldier-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Cantharidae	Rhagonycha fulva	a soldier-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Cantharidae	Malthodes minimus	a soldier-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Melyridae	Malachius bipustulatus	Malachite Beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Melyridae	Cordylepherus viridis	a malachite beetle	LC

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Insecta	Coleoptera	Nitidulidae	Meligethes aeneus	Common Pollen Beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Phalacridae	Phalacrus corruscus	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Phalacridae	Olibrus affinis	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Cryptophagidae	Atomaria atricapilla	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Rhyzobius litura	a ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Scymnus schmidti	a ladybird	Nationally Scarce
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Psyllobora vigintiduopunctata	22-spot Ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Coccinella septempunctata	7-spot Ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Hippodamia variegata	Adonis' Ladybird	Nationally Scarce (Nb)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Tytthaspis sedecimpunctata	16-spot Ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Henosepilachna argus	Bryony Ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Subcoccinella vigintiquattuorpunctata	24-spot Ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Latridiidae	Cortinicara gibbosa	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Oedemeridae	Oedemera nobilis	Swollen-thighed Beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Oedemeridae	Oedemera lurida	a beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Anthicidae	Anthicus antherinus	an ant-like flower beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Bruchidius varius	a seed-beetle	NA
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Bruchus loti	a seed-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Cassida vibex	a tortoise beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Agelastica alni	a leaf-beetle	DD, NR
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Phyllotreta astrachanica	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Longitarsus dorsalis	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Longitarsus suturellus	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Altica palustris	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Chaetocnema hortensis	a flea-beetle	LC

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Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Sphaeroderma rubidum	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Ceratapion onopordi	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Ceratapion carduorum	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Ceratapion gibbirostre	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Perapion curtirostre	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Exomias pellucidus	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Sitona lineatus	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Rhinocyllus conicus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Na)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Rhinoncus pericarpius	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Microplontus campestris	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Nb)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Ceutorhynchus obstrictus	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Ceutorhynchus picitarsis	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Trichosirocalus horridus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Na)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Trichosirocalus troglodytes	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Tychius picirostris	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Mecinus pascuorum	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Mecinus pyraster	a weevil	None
Insecta	Hymenoptera: Symphyta	Cephidae	Calameuta pallipes	a sawfly	None
Insecta	Hymenoptera: Aculeata	Bethylidae	Bethylus fuscicornis	a solitary wasp	None
Insecta	Hymenoptera: Aculeata	Bethylidae	Epyris niger	a solitary wasp	None
Insecta	Hymenoptera: Aculeata	Formicidae	Lasius niger sens. str.	an ant	None

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Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Apidae	Bombus lapidarius	Large Red-tailed Bumblebee	None
	Aculeata				
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Apidae	Bombus lucorum sens. lat.	White-tailed Bumblebee	None
	Aculeata				
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Apidae	Bombus pascuorum	Common Carder-bee	None
	Aculeata				
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Apidae	Bombus terrestris	Buff-tailed Bumblebee	None
	Aculeata				
Insecta	Diptera	Asilidae	Dioctria rufipes	Common Red-legged	LC
				Robberfly	
Insecta	Diptera	Tephritidae	Urophora quadrifasciata	a picture-winged fly	None
Insecta	Diptera	Tephritidae	Urophora stylata	a picture-winged fly	None
Insecta	Diptera	Tephritidae	Tephritis neesii	a picture-winged fly	None
Insecta	Diptera	Tephritidae	Chaetorellia jaceae	a picture-winged fly	None
Insecta	Diptera	Tephritidae	Terellia serratulae	a picture-winged fly	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Aethes smeathmanniana	Yarrow Conch	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Epiblema costipunctana	a moth	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Dichrorampha sequana	a tortrix moth	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Crambidae	Crambus lathoniellus	Hook-streaked Grass-Veneer	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Crambidae	Pyrausta purpuralis	a pyralid moth	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Pyralidae	Myelois circumvoluta	Thistle Ermine	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Pieridae	Pieris napi	Green-veined White	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Pieridae	Anthocharis cardamines	Orange-tip	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Lycaenidae	Lycaena phlaeas	Small Copper	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Lycaenidae	Aricia agestis	Brown Argus	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Lycaenidae	Polyommatus icarus	Common Blue	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Vanessa atalanta	Red Admiral	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Vanessa cardui	Painted Lady	LC

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation Status
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Aglais urticae	Small Tortoiseshell	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Aglais io	Peacock	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Maniola jurtina	Meadow Brown	LC
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae	Coenonympha pamphilus	Small Heath	NT, S41 (research
					only)
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Geometridae	Camptogramma bilineata	Yellow Shell	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Autographa gamma	Silver Y	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Erebidae	Euclidia mi	Mother Shipton	None
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Agriolimacidae	Deroceras reticulatum	Netted Field Slug	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Hygromiidae	Candidula intersecta	Wrinkled Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Hygromiidae	Cernuella virgata	Striped Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Hygromiidae	Monacha cantiana	Kentish Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Oxychilidae	Aegopinella pura	Clear Glass-snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Oxychilidae	Aegopinella nitidula	Smooth Glass-snail	LC

Table 7: Species of compost-associated invertebrate recorded from the compost heap in the south-eastern corner of field F11 by the 2021 survey. The table is in taxonomic sequence.

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation Status
Arachnida	Pseudoscorpiones	Chernetidae	Lamprochernes savignyi	Savigny's Shining Claw	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Heteroptera	Anthocoridae	Xylocoris galactinus	a flower bug	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Cryptopleurum minutum	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Ptiliidae	Nephanes titan	a featherwing beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Oxypoda opaca	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Acrotona pseudotenera	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Lithocharis ochracea	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Cryptophagidae	Cryptophagus acutangulus	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Anthicidae	Omonadus formicarius	an ant-like flower beetle	LC

Table 8: Species of invertebrate recorded from the spoil banks at Winch Hill Farm by the 2021 survey. Key Species and Section 41 species arelisted in red text. The table is in taxonomic sequence.

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation Status
Malacostraca	Isopoda	Philosciidae	Philoscia muscorum sens. str.	a common striped	LC
				woodlouse	
Malacostraca	Isopoda	Oniscidae	Oniscus asellus	Common Shiny Woodlouse	LC
Malacostraca	Isopoda	Armadillidiidae	Armadillidium vulgare	Common Pill-woodlouse	LC
Malacostraca	Isopoda	Trachelipidae	Trachelipus rathkii	a woodlouse	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Dysderidae	Dysdera erythrina	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Araneidae	Mangora acalypha	a spider	LC
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Cicadellidae	Eupteryx aurata	a leafhopper	None
	Auchenorrhyncha				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Tingidae	Tingis cardui	a lacebug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Dicyphus errans	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Nabidae	Himacerus mirmicoides	Ant Damsel-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Lygaeidae	Nysius senecionis	a ground-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Lygaeidae	Taphropeltus contractus	a ground-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Rhopalidae	Stictopleurus	a rhopalid bug	NA
	Heteroptera		punctatonervosus		
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Pentatomidae	Aelia acuminata	Bishop's Mitre Shieldbug	LC
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Pentatomidae	Eysarcoris venustissimus	Woundwort Shieldbug	LC
	Heteroptera				

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation Status
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Pentatomidae	Eurydema oleracea	Crucifer Shieldbug	LC
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Leistus spinibarbis	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Notiophilus biguttatus	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion lampros	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bembidion obtusum	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Pterostichus melanarius	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Harpalus affinis	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Harpalus rufipes	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Ophonus ardosiacus	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Ophonus rufibarbis	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Scybalicus oblongiusculus	a ground beetle	VU, NR
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Bradycellus verbasci	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Acupalpus meridianus	a ground beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Brachinus crepitans	Bombardier Beetle	LC, NS
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Tachyporus dispar	a rove-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Drusilla canaliculata	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Elateridae	Agriotes lineatus	a click-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Melyridae	Cordylepherus viridis	a malachite beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Kateretidae	Brachypterus glaber	a nettle pollen beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Kateretidae	Brachypterus urticae	a nettle pollen beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Nitidulidae	Meligethes aeneus	Common Pollen Beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Nitidulidae	Meligethes morosus	a pollen beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Rhyzobius litura	a ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Stethorus pusillus	a ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Coccinella septempunctata	7-spot Ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Oedemeridae	Oedemera lurida	a beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Phyllotreta nigripes	a flea-beetle	LC

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation Status
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Phyllotreta vittula	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Sitona lineatus	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Rhinocyllus conicus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce
					(Na)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Rhinusa neta	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Sirocalodes mixtus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce (Nb)
Insecta	Hymenoptera: Aculeata	Formicidae	Lasius niger sens. str.	an ant	None
Insecta	Hymenoptera: Aculeata	Formicidae	Myrmica sabuleti	an ant	None
Insecta	Hymenoptera: Aculeata	Apidae	Bombus pascuorum	Common Carder-bee	None
Insecta	Diptera	Tephritidae	Urophora stylata	a picture-winged fly	None
Insecta	Diptera	Tephritidae	Oxyna parietina	a picture-winged fly	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Noctuidae	Cucullia verbasci	Mullein	None
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Agriolimacidae	Deroceras reticulatum	Netted Field Slug	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Agriolimacidae	Deroceras invadens	Tramp Slug	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Arionidae	Arion (Mesarion) subfuscus	Dusky Slug	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Hygromiidae	Candidula intersecta	Wrinkled Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Hygromiidae	Trochulus hispidus	Hairy Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Hygromiidae	Trochulus striolatus	Strawberry Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Oxychilidae	Oxychilus cellarius	Cellar Snail	LC

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation Status
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Haploglossa villosula	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Dinaraea angustula	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Bisnius subuliformis	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Quedius cruentus	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Elateridae	Melanotus villosus sens. str.	a click-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Latridiidae	Enicmus rugosus	a beetle	Nationally Scarce
Insecta	Coleoptera	Mycetophagidae	Eulagius filicornis	a beetle	NA
Insecta	Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Prionychus ater	a darkling beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Pyrochroidae	Pyrochroa serraticornis	Common Cardinal Beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Cerambycidae	Grammoptera ruficornis	Common Grammoptera	LC

Table 9: Species of saproxylic invertebrate recorded from the veteran Apple tree at Winch Hill Farm by the 2021 survey. Key Species and Section 41 species are listed in red text. The table is in taxonomic sequence.

Table 10: Species of invertebrate recorded from Luton Parkway Verges DWS by the 2021 survey. Key Species and Section 41 species are listed in red text. The table is in taxonomic sequence.

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation
					Status
Malacostraca	Isopoda	Philosciidae	Philoscia muscorum sens. str.	a common striped woodlouse	LC
Malacostraca	Isopoda	Armadillidiidae	Armadillidium vulgare	Common Pill-woodlouse	LC
Malacostraca	Isopoda	Porcellionidae	Porcellio scaber	Common Rough Woodlouse	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Linyphiidae	Tenuiphantes tenuis	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Araneidae	Araniella cucurbitina sens. str.	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Araneidae	Mangora acalypha	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Dictynidae	Dictyna uncinata	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Clubionidae	Clubiona comta	a spider	LC
Arachnida	Araneae	Salticidae	Salticus scenicus	a jumping spider	LC
Diplopoda	Glomerida	Glomeridae	Glomeris marginata	Pill Millipede	LC

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation
					Status
Diplopoda	Julida	Julidae	Tachypodoiulus niger	White-legged Millipede	LC
Collembola	Entomobryomorpha	Entomobryidae	Orchesella cincta	a springtail	None
Insecta	Odonata	Libellulidae	Libellula depressa	Broad-bodied Chaser	LC
Insecta	Dermaptera	Forficulidae	Forficula auricularia	Common Earwig	LC
Insecta	Psocoptera	Ectopsocidae	Ectopsocus briggsi	a barkfly	None
Insecta	Psocoptera	Stenopsocidae	Graphopsocus cruciatus	a barkfly	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Sternorrhyncha	Psyllidae	Craspedolepta nervosa	a psyllid	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Sternorrhyncha	Psyllidae	Psylla alni	Alder Psyllid	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Auchenorrhyncha	Aphrophoridae	Aphrophora alni	a froghopper	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Auchenorrhyncha	Aphrophoridae	Philaenus spumarius	a froghopper	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Auchenorrhyncha	Cicadellidae	Oncopsis alni	a leafhopper	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Auchenorrhyncha	Cicadellidae	Eupelix cuspidata	a leafhopper	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Auchenorrhyncha	Cicadellidae	Eupteryx vittata	a leafhopper	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Heteroptera	Tingidae	Acalypta carinata	a lacebug	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Heteroptera	Miridae	Deraeocoris flavilinea	a mirid bug	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Heteroptera	Miridae	Charagochilus gyllenhalii	a mirid bug	None
Insecta	Hemiptera: Heteroptera	Miridae	Stenodema laevigata	a mirid bug	None

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation
					Status
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Heterotoma planicornis	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Atractotomus mali	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Phylus coryli	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Miridae	Plagiognathus chrysanthemi	a mirid bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Nabidae	Himacerus mirmicoides	Ant Damsel-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Anthocoridae	Anthocoris nemorum	a flower bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Anthocoridae	Orius laevigatus	a flower bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Berytidae	Berytinus minor	a stiltbug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Lygaeidae	Nysius huttoni	a ground-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Lygaeidae	Kleidocerys resedae	a ground-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Lygaeidae	Heterogaster urticae	a ground-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Lygaeidae	Drymus sylvaticus	a ground-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Lygaeidae	Scolopostethus affinis	a ground-bug	None
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Rhopalidae	Rhopalus subrufus	a rhopalid bug	LC
	Heteroptera				

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation
					Status
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Scutelleridae	Eurygaster testudinaria	Tortoise Shieldbug	LC
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Hemiptera:	Pentatomidae	Palomena prasina	Common Green Shieldbug	LC
	Heteroptera				
Insecta	Coleoptera	Hydrophilidae	Megasternum	a beetle	None
			concinnum/immaculatum		
Insecta	Coleoptera	Leiodidae	Agathidium varians	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Metopsia clypeata	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Sepedophilus nigripennis	a rove-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Tachyporus atriceps	a rove-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Tachyporus dispar	a rove-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Tachyporus hypnorum	a rove-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Tachyporus nitidulus	a rove-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Tachyporus solutus	a rove-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Aloconota gregaria	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Staphylinidae	Mocyta fungi agg.	a rove-beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Elateridae	Athous campyloides	a click-beetle	Nationally Scarce
					(Nb)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Cantharidae	Cantharis rustica	a soldier-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Ptinidae	Ochina ptinoides	a woodworm	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Melyridae	Malachius bipustulatus	Malachite Beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Nitidulidae	Meligethes aeneus	Common Pollen Beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Nitidulidae	Meligethes carinulatus	a pollen beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Nitidulidae	Meligethes morosus	a pollen beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Rhyzobius chrysomeloides	a ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Rhyzobius litura	a ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Exochomus quadripustulatus	Pine Ladybird	None

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation
					Status
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Propylea quattuordecimpunctata	14-spot Ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Harmonia axyridis	Harlequin Ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Coccinellidae	Tytthaspis sedecimpunctata	16-spot Ladybird	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Latridiidae	Enicmus transversus	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Latridiidae	Cartodere bifasciata	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Latridiidae	Cortinicara gibbosa	a beetle	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Oedemeridae	Oedemera nobilis	Swollen-thighed Beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Oedemeridae	Oedemera lurida	a beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Scraptiidae	Anaspis frontalis	a beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Scraptiidae	Anaspis maculata	a beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Scraptiidae	Anaspis pulicaria	a beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Bruchidius varius	a seed-beetle	NA
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Cassida rubiginosa	Thistle Tortoise Beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Cassida vibex	a tortoise beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Agelastica alni	a leaf-beetle	DD, NR
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Aphthona euphorbiae	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Longitarsus succineus	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Sphaeroderma rubidum	a flea-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Cryptocephalus fulvus	a leaf-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Cryptocephalus labiatus	a leaf-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Cryptocephalus moraei	a leaf-beetle	LC
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Ceratapion onopordi	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Aspidapion aeneum	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Squamapion cineraceum	a weevil	Nationally Scarce
					(Na)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Taeniapion urticarium	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Pseudapion rufirostre	a weevil	None

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation
					Status
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Protapion assimile	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Protapion nigritarse	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Protapion trifolii	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Apion frumentarium	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Stenopterapion tenue	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Apionidae	Ischnopterapion loti	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Polydrusus formosus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce
					(Na)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Sitona humeralis	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Sitona lineatus	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Hypera plantaginis	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Dorytomus melanophthalmus	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Orthochaetes setiger	a weevil	Nationally Scarce
					(Nb)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Ceutorhynchus obstrictus	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Ceutorhynchus pallidactylus	Cabbage Stem Weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Trichosirocalus rufulus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce
					(Na)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Trichosirocalus troglodytes	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Anthonomus rubi	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Tychius junceus	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Tychius picirostris	a weevil	None
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Tychius pusillus	a weevil	Nationally Scarce
					(Nb)
Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Mecinus pyraster	a weevil	None
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Formicidae	Lasius niger sens. str.	an ant	None
	Aculeata				

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation
					Status
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Formicidae	Myrmica rubra	an ant	None
	Aculeata				
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Formicidae	Myrmica sabuleti	an ant	None
	Aculeata				
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Formicidae	Myrmica scabrinodis	an ant	None
	Aculeata				
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Apidae	Apis mellifera	Honey Bee	None
	Aculeata				
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Apidae	Bombus lapidarius	Large Red-tailed Bumblebee	None
	Aculeata				
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Apidae	Bombus lucorum/terrestris	White-tailed/Buff-tailed	None
	Aculeata			Bumblebee	
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Apidae	Bombus pascuorum	Common Carder-bee	None
	Aculeata				
Insecta	Hymenoptera:	Apidae	Bombus pratorum	Early Bumblebee	None
	Aculeata				
Insecta	Diptera	Tephritidae	Urophora quadrifasciata	a picture-winged fly	None
Insecta	Diptera	Tephritidae	Chaetorellia jaceae	a picture-winged fly	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Gelechiidae	Oxypteryx unicolorella	a moth	Nationally Scarce B
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Aethes smeathmanniana	Yarrow Conch	None
Insecta	Lepidoptera	Tortricidae	Dichrorampha plumbana	a moth	None
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Cochlicopidae	Cochlicopa lubrica	Slippery Moss-snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Helicidae	Cepaea hortensis	White-lipped Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Hygromiidae	Candidula intersecta	Wrinkled Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Hygromiidae	Monacha cantiana	Kentish Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Hygromiidae	Trochulus striolatus	Strawberry Snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Punctidae	Punctum pygmaeum	Dwarf Snail	LC

Class	Order	Family	Species (scientific name)	Species (English name)	Conservation
					Status
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Valloniidae	Vallonia costata	Ribbed Grass-snail	LC
Gastropoda	Pulmonata	Valloniidae	Vallonia excentrica	Eccentric Grass-snail	LC

GLOSSARY AND ABBREVIATIONS

Term	Definition
AOD	Above Ordnance Datum
BCT	Bat Conservation Trust
BLBAP	Bedfordshire and Luton Local Biodiversity Action Plan
BLICL	Bat Low Impact Class Licence
BNG	Biodiversity Net Gain
BoCC	Birds of Conservation Concern
BRMC	Biodiversity Recording and Monitoring Centre
BSBI	Botanical Society of Britain and Ireland
BSI	British Standards Institute
вто	British Trust for Ornithology
°C	Degrees celcius
CPAR	Century Park Access Road
CRoW	Countryside and Rights of Way
CTA	Central Terminal Area
CWS	County Wildlife Site
DART	Direct Air Rail Transit
DCO	Development Consent Order
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic acid
DWS	District Wildlife Site
EC	European Commission
ECoW	Ecological Clerk of Works
eDNA	Environmental DNA
ES	Environmental Statement
EU	European Union
GB	Great Britain
GCN	Great crested newt
ha	Hectare
HBG	Hertfordshire Badger Group
HCC	Hertfordshire County Council
HERC	Herts Environmental Records Centre
HGBI	Herpetofauna Groups of Britain and Ireland
HLBAP	Hertfordshire Local Biodiversity Action Plan
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organisation

Term	Definition
ILS	Instrument Landing System
IUCN	International Union for the Conservation of Nature
JNCC	Joint Nature Conservation Committee
km	Kilometre
LBAP	Local Biodiversity Action Plan
LBC	Luton Borough Council
the airport	London Luton Airport
LNR	Local Nature Reserve
LWS	Local Wildlife Site
m	Metre
m ²	Metre squared
m ³	Metre cubed
mm	Millimetre
mppa	Million passenger per annum
NCP	New Century Park
NE	Natural England
NERC	Natural Environment and Rural Communities
NGR	National Grid Reference
NNRs	National Nature Reserves
NSIP	Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project
NVC	National Vegetation Classification
OS	Ordnance Survey
PRoW	Public Right of Way
SAC	Special Area of Conservation
SPA	Special Protection Area
SSSI	Site of Special Scientific Interest
UK	United Kingdom
UKBAP	UK Biodiversity Action Plan
VC	Vice County

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