

GLOUCESTERSHIRE CONSERVATION ROAD VERGES SITE REGISTER



Gloucestershire County Council in partnership with Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust and Gloucestershire Centre for Environmental Records



Gloucestershire County Council (GCC) and Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust (GWT) coordinate efforts to identify and protect verges of significant value in the County. By working together, we aim to ensure that these verges receive appropriate conservation management alongside highways maintenance and implementation of road schemes.

This document's main purpose is as a register for the best roadside verges within Gloucestershire which are called Conservation Road Verges (CRVs). The document additionally has brief information on an approach to verge management for conserving and enhancing biodiversity (currently under review). An historical background and overview of CRVs including their role within the planning system can be found in the appendix. The criteria by which the CRVs are identified can also be found here. The aim of the criteria is to ensure that the often-vulnerable habitats and species along road verges that fall outside of the existing series of statutory protected sites in Gloucestershire are better recognised.

CRVs in this register are sanctuaries for a wide range of wildlife supporting nationally scarce or rare species. They are primarily selected for their botanical significance having remnant wildflower assemblages. In some cases, CRVs provide additional habitat such as hedgerows, grassland and sometimes ditches. They provide food and shelter for a diverse range of animals such as mammals, invertebrates and birds. CRVs may be of particular conservation importance for invertebrates including moths, butterflies, bees, flies, beetles and molluscs. All roadside verges together help form a network of connected wildlife corridors establishing continuity of habitat across more intensively managed land.

The CRVs in this register support a rich variety of native plants that are increasingly difficult to find elsewhere. The nectar, pollen, seeds and fruits of plants on verges are an important food source throughout the growing season. In early spring roadside flowers enable bumble bees to find the food they need to be able to establish new colonies. Later in the season verges can provide shelter and food for birds and small mammals especially where there are adjacent hedgerows, trees or developing scrub present. In some parishes the CRVs are the last remaining locations for rare species so without good care they could be lost forever from certain parts of the County. In addition to their biodiversity value, CRVs can be an asset to tourism and local quality of life by adding beauty to the landscape. Tourism brings millions of pounds to Gloucestershire and there is also an economic value for agriculture and horticulture in making sure pollinating insects which visit verges survive at good population sizes.

General Management Approach

This is a summary but more detailed advice can be found in GCC's Highways and Biodiversity Guidance at: <http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-rights-of-way/plans-policies-procedures-manuals/biodiversity-and-highways/>. The charity Plantlife has also produced 'The Good Verge Guide' and Gloucestershire's general approach, for CRVs at least, is aiming to be broadly in line with this.

Some rural CRVs are in fact not owned by Gloucestershire County Council (GCC) and so the Highway Authority is not in full control of verge management. Some management is delegated to parish, town or district councils by arrangement or is carried out by local landowners by agreement. The Highway Authority can intervene where there is

tall/encroaching vegetation causing visibility issues. In this situation (if it can wait) the landowner would be contacted to cut/restore the verge immediately adjoining the highway in autumn/winter and then to maintain a cut, normally annually.

*An important aspect which this register helps to remedy is to make sure all those involved in highways management, road schemes or new developments know where the identified CRVs are located and what they are important for. **Those doing verge work should have maps with them, so they know where CRVs begin and end** (this is sometimes facilitated using road studs or signs in co-operation with the local community). **Generally cutting of CRVs should only happen once a year and ideally this should be delayed until late summer to early autumn (e.g. mid July to October).** This is because the main flowering and seed setting season is between March and July which also roughly matches the main bird nesting season. **Safety issues always come first though** so at other times, especially in late spring and early summer, the Highway Authority will cut or arrange for others to cut the sections strictly necessary for adequate visibility at junctions and bends or to provide adequate refuges for pedestrians on busier roads or to keep important drainage 'grips' clear. The timing of such cutting will vary depending on the growth pattern of vegetation each season.*

Removal of cut vegetation is a bonus for future plant diversity (although it can have implications for some invertebrates, mosses and fungi). Removal of cuttings is not normally carried out as it is currently not deemed to be cost effective. However, this might be possible in the future on bigger flat verges with cut and clear machinery and especially where the highways authority has delegated management down to the community level or it is being carried out by a local landowner.

*In some situations, it may not be possible to cut the whole of a verge every year. It is always worth leaving some sections or areas uncut for other wildlife species but if possible, even infrequently cut verges should still have some parts cut annually on a biennial rotation. On most verges, especially the wider ones, there is a need to cut them right back to the boundary hedge, wall or ditch to prevent tree saplings and scrub taking hold and causing safety issues and damage to the highway. **A full width cut is best done between October and February once every 5 years or so.***

If you have any queries on highways management in relation to Conservation Road Verges, please contact Gloucestershire County Council: Email - ecology@gloucestershire.gov.uk or Tel - 01452 425679 or the local parish if they have been delegated to look after them.

For further information on specific sites and requests for associated survey information only, please contact Gloucestershire Centre for Environmental Records (GCER): Email - gcer@gloucestershirowildlifetrust.co.uk or Tel: 01452 389950

The sites on the following pages are all those currently listed as Conservation Road Verges (CRVs) within Gloucestershire. These have all been surveyed and found to be of significance in terms of habitat, presence of scarce, rare or characteristic species, connectivity to Local Wildlife Sites or SSSI's, potential for recovery/creation of biodiversity value or value for appreciation of nature. This list of sites is subject to change so contact GCER (see above) to check if the information here is still up to date.

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Site Code: CRV001 Grid Reference: 356450 201637 to 356348 201668
District Name: FOREST OF DEAN Parish: Hewelsfield and Brockweir
Site Name: **HEWELSFIELD (Green Lane)**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (*Campanula latifolia*)
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Green lane bridleway supporting some specimens of Giant Bellflower (*Campanula latifolia*), [13 on the northern side and 4 on the southern side]. This is a county rarity but with no national rarity status.
Last survey: 04/08/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: Hedgerow
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management (Ideal and minimum): No specific management is required.



Site Code: CRV002 Grid Reference: 356428 202111 to 356456 201650
 District Name: FOREST OF DEAN Parish: Hewelsfield and Brockweir
 Site Name: **HEWELSFIELD**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (18 species)
 Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Wide, gently sloping verges on either side of the road and bounded by species rich hedges. East verge is more species rich further north. West verge is closely mown but variety is still present. Fine grassland and hedgerow flora including Agrimony (*Agrimonia eupatoria*), Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Common Birds-foot Trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*), Eyebright (*Euphrasia sp.*), Hedge Bedstraw (*Galium mollugo*), Oxeye Daisy (*Leucanthemum vulgare*) and Meadow Vetchling (*Lathyrus pratensis*). Plus, locally abundant Betony (*Stachys officinalis*) and Zigzag Clover (*Trifolium medium*). Last survey: 04/08/2021.

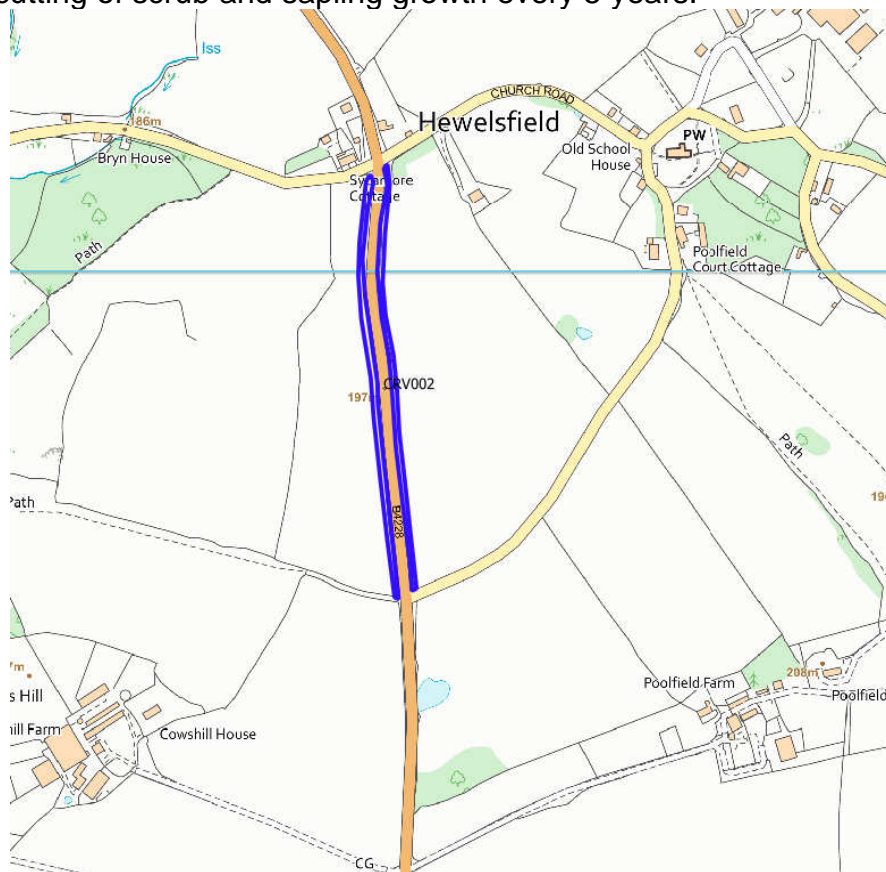
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland Meadow

UK Priority Species: Small Emerald (*Hemistola chrysoprasaria*) moth.

Suggested Management:

Ideal – scrub control needed, particularly along the eastern verge. Coarse grass needs cutting and raking occasionally on both sides.

Minimum – cutting of scrub and sapling growth every 5 years.



Site Code: CRV003 Grid Reference: 358108 207874 to 207874 207846
 District Name: FOREST OF DEAN Parish: West Dean
 Site Name: **MINER'S ARMS (Sling)**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (11 species) and 2. (Lesser Calamint)
 Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Site lies on the corner of a road junction adjacent to the Miner's Arms. Rough unimproved calcareous grassland supports a concentrated population of the Nationally Scarce Lesser Calamint (*Clinopodium calamintha*) and other species including Quaking grass (*Briza media*), Common birds-foot trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*), Glaucous sedge (*Carex flacca*), Dwarf Thistle (*Cirsium acaule*) and locally abundant Barren Strawberry (*Potentilla sterilis*). Last survey: 16/06/2021

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
 UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Some occasional cutting, raking and scarifying is needed to encourage germination of calamint seedlings.

Minimum – Mowing and raking every five years if site ungrazed. Cutting of bracken is needed. Mature ash on bank has dieback so doesn't need pruning



Site Code: CRV004 Grid Reference: 356418 201029 to 356323 200725
District Name: FOREST OF DEAN Parish: Hewelsfield and Brockweir, Tidenham
Site Name: **OAKHILL PITCH (B4228)**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (25 species), 3. and 5.

Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Fine woodland edge, wetland and grassland flora on verge alongside Oakhill Wood, some on the lay-by island on the eastern side and to the north of the island. A diverse flora includes the near threatened Quaking grass (*Briza media*), Glaucous sedge (*Carex flacca*), Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Meadow Vetchling (*Lathyrus pratensis*), Wild Strawberry (*Fragaria vesca*), Zigzag Clover (*Trifolium medium*) and Western Gorse (*Ulex gallii*). The verge to the north of the island supports a rich calcareous flora with abundant Birds-foot trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*), and Yellow-rattle (*Rhinanthus minor*). The site needs coordinated management as the western verge is mown too frequently and other areas are unmanaged.

Last survey: 04/08/2021.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland meadow and lowland mixed deciduous woodland

UK Priority Species: Cinnabar (*Tyria jacobaeae*) moth.

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Scrub control on a regular basis

Minimum –Cutting of scrub and sapling growth every 5 years.



Site Code: CRV005 Grid Reference: 403341 219786 to 403745 219976
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Shipton
Site Name: **SHIPTON A436**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (40 species) and 4. (Meadow Crane's-bill)
Date Reviewed: 04/03/2016

Site Description and Notes:

These are herb species-rich CG5a (locally CG4 and MG1) verges, old quarries and anthills on the south side of the A436 either side of the Shipton junction. A large part of the site is covered by scrub and Rosebay Willowherb (*Chamerion angustifolium*). Species of note include occasional Quaking grass (*Briza media*), Fairy flax (*Linum catharticum*), Meadow Vetchling (*Lathyrus pratensis*) and Common Twayblade (*Listera ovata*)

Last surveyed 03/07/2015.

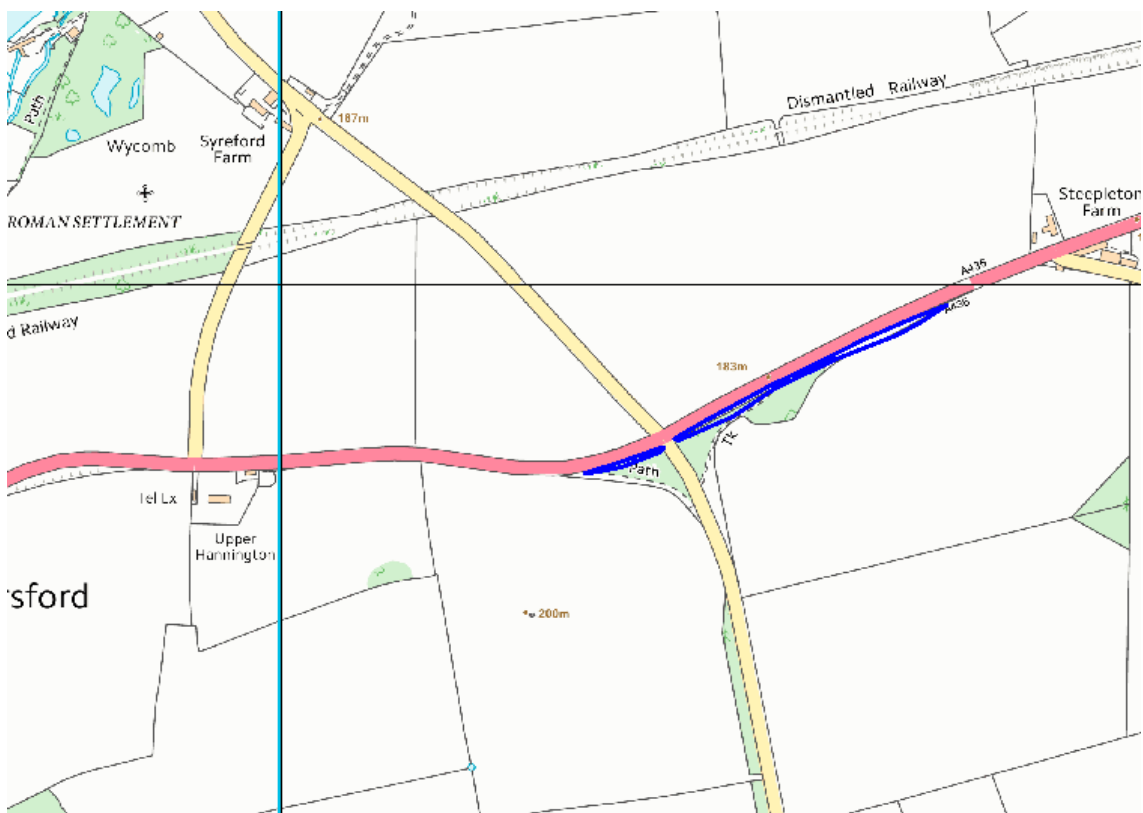
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland

UK Priority Species: None recorded

Suggested Management:

Ideal - Occasional mowing, raking and control of encroaching scrub.

Minimum- Occasional mowing and raking.



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Site Code: CRV006 Grid Reference: 375880 194344 to 376650 194870
District Name: STROUD Parish: Wotton-under-Edge
Site Name: **OLD LONDON ROAD (Bradley Barn)**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (15 species with some in wooded, western section)
4. (High numbers of pyramidal orchids) and 6.

Date Reviewed: 04/03/2016

Site Description and Notes:

Long verge from near the entrance to Upper Rushmire Farm along to the minor road leading off to Waterley Bottom. The wide, mown, north verge within the eastern section [up to Bradley Barn] contains the richest diversity of flora. This includes Greater and Common Knapweeds (*Centaurea nigra* and *C. scabiosa*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*) and Common Birds-foot Trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*). The southern verge within this section is less diverse with tall herb age and scrub but there is occasional Meadow Crane's-bill (*Geranium pratense*) and Meadow Vetchling (*Lathyrus pratensis*). The western section from Bradley Barn was previously surveyed in 2012. This is wooded along both verges and the flora contains additional species notably Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*).

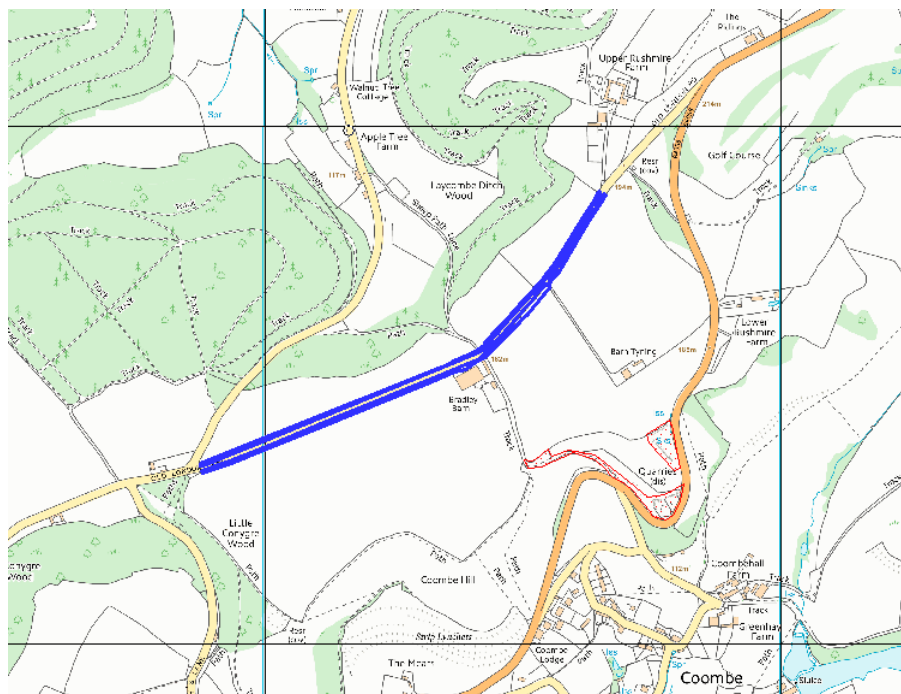
Last surveyed 07/07/2015

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland

UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management (Ideal and Minimum):

Occasional mowing, raking and control of encroaching scrub.



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Site Code: CRV007 Grid Reference: 377542 203350 to 377956 203352
District Name: STROUD Parish: Frocester
Site Name: **PETER'S STREET, FROCESTER**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (*Arvicola amphibius*)
Date Reviewed: 23/02/2020

Site Description and Notes: Roadside ditch with species-rich hedge and verge dominated by tall herbs: Meadowsweet (*Filipendula ulmaria*), Common Nettle (*Urtica dioica*) and Great Willowherb (*Epilobium hirsutum*) with a little Himalayan Balsam (*Impatiens glandulifera*). Signs of Water Vole recorded on 19/06/2009. Extensive signs recorded along most of the length in 2019.
Last surveyed: 04/07/2019

UK Priority Habitats: Hedgerow
UK Priority Species: Water Vole (*Arvicola amphibius*)

Suggested Management:
Ideal & Minimum– Sensitive rotational mowing of bankside vegetation & limit desilting of ditch. Cutting back of over shading scrub & tall hedgerow on south bankside. Remove Himalayan Balsam.



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Site Code: CRV008 Grid Reference: 377941 204463 to 378100 204040
District Name: STROUD Parish: Eastington, Frocester
Site Name: **WICKSTER'S BROOK, BATH ROAD, EASTINGTON**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (*Arvicola amphibius*) and 3. (connectivity with a local wildlife site)
Date Reviewed: 23/02/2020

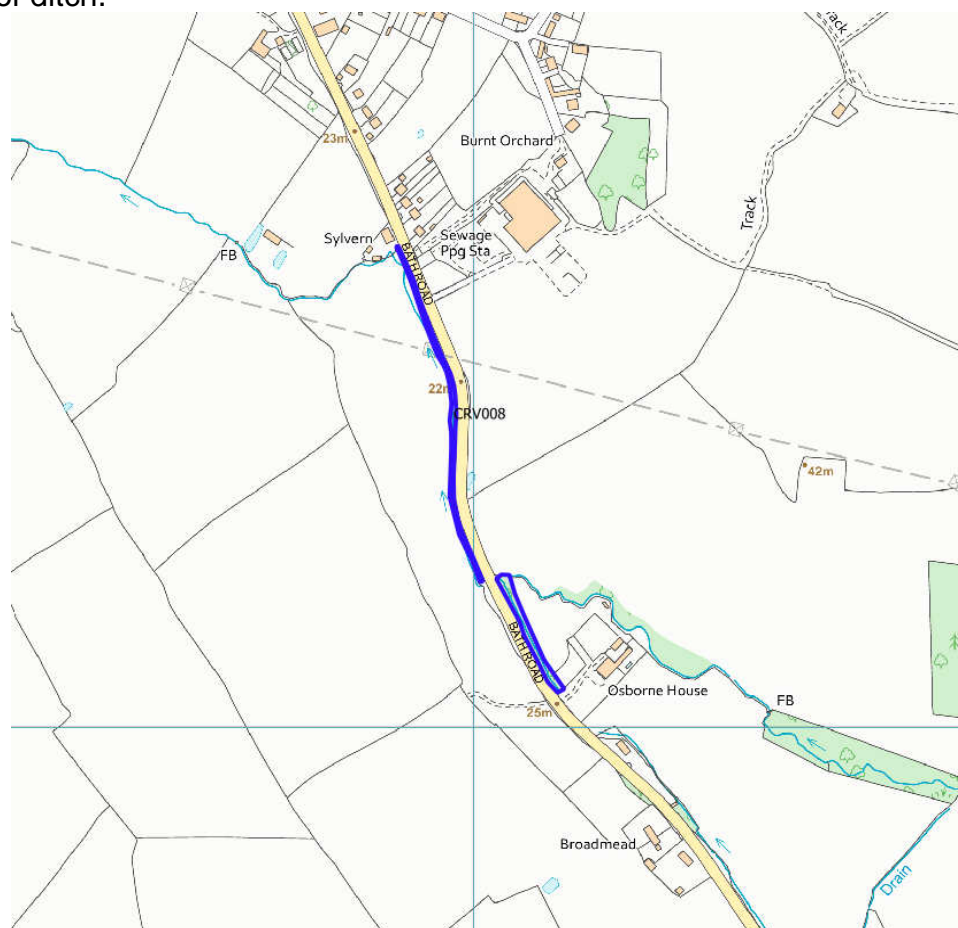
Site Description and Notes: Roadside ditch with species-rich hedge and rank grass verge. Is part of a wider local wildlife site [Wickster's Brook]. Water Voles (*Arvicola amphibius*) recorded on 19/06/2009. In the 2019 survey there were wet pools 2-4 inches in places but otherwise quite dry. Fool's water-cress (*Apium nodiflorum*) dominated forming dense patches plus Meadowsweet (*Filipendula ulmaria*), Water-dropwort, Great Willowherb (*Epilobium hirsutum*) and Pedunculate Water-starwort (*Callitriche brutia*). Last survey 04/07/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: Hedgerow

UK Priority Species: Water Vole (*Arvicola amphibius*)

Suggested Management:

Ideal and Minimum- Sensitive rotational mowing of bankside vegetation and limit desilting of ditch.



Site Code: CRV009 Grid Reference: 379261 205535 to 205535 207390
 District Name: STROUD Parish: Eastington, Stonehouse, Whitminster
 Site Name: **CHIPMAN'S PLATT – A38 (A419)**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (16+ species) and 4. (Orchids)
 Date Reviewed: 04/03/2016

Site Description and Notes: Long sections on both north and south sides of A419 and includes two roundabouts. In the extra sections surveyed in 2015 the notable species are just west of the M5 roundabout, as well as east of and including the A38 roundabout. Interest varies but the best sections support a rich locally frequent flora including Bee Orchids (*Ophrys apifera*), Pyramidal Orchids (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*) and Corky-fruited Water-dropwort (*Oenanthe pimpinelloides*). Other species include Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Wild Carrot (*Daucus carota*), Meadow Vetchling (*Lathyrus pratensis*), Oxeye Daisy (*Leucanthemum vulgare*), Common Poppy (*Papaver rhoeas*), Pepper Saxifrage (*Silaum silaus*), Common Bird's-foot trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*), Agrimony (*Agrimonia eupatoria*) and Marsh Woundwort (*Stachys palustris*). Rich in invertebrate life. Last survey 21/07/2015

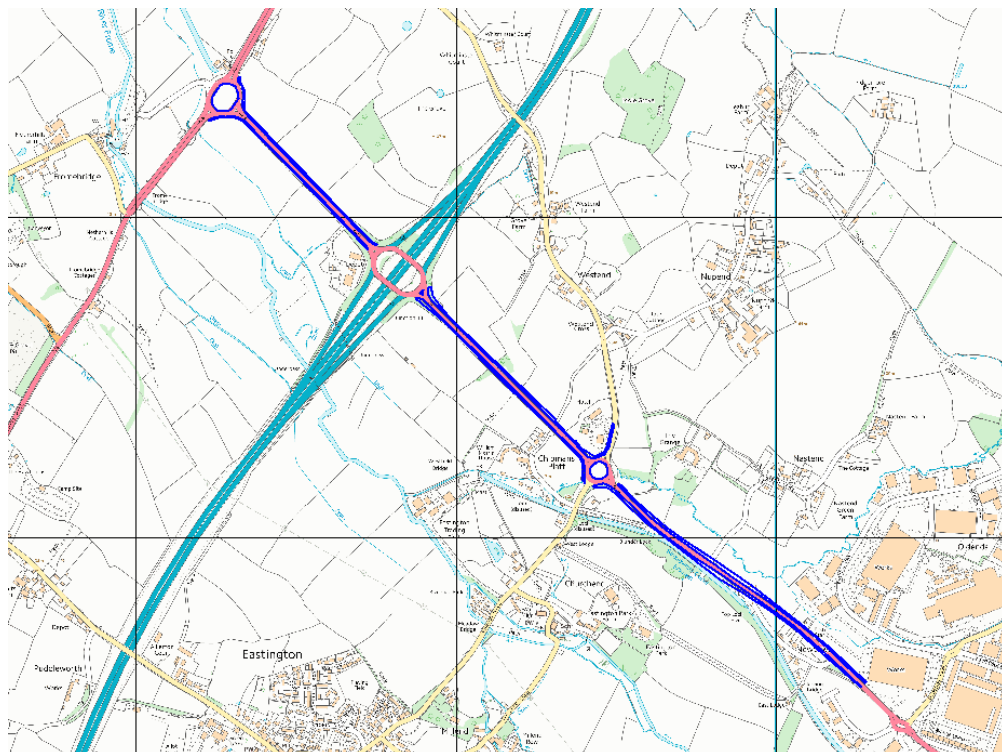
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland meadow

UK Priority Species: White Letter Hairstreak (*Satyrrium w-album*)

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Some occasional to regular mowing of ranker grass areas required

Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



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Site Code: CRV010 Grid Reference: 414340 202970 to 414260 203710
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Quennington
Site Name: **QUENNINGTON (South)**

Qualifying Criteria: 1.(10 species), 2.(Liquorice Piercer Moth) & 4.(Meadow Crane's-bill)
Date Reviewed: 19/04/2018

Site Description and Notes:

Verges on the west and east side of the road between Fairford and Quennington. Five Wild Liquorice (*Astragalus glycyphyllos*) plants were seen in the layby opposite the track on the west with the large Ash. Liquorice Piercer Moth (*Grapholita pallifrontana*) seen in 2016 further south along the verges. Other species include Meadow Crane's-bill (*Geranium pratense*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), Wild Basil (*Clinopodium vulgare*) and Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*).
Last surveyed 04/07/2017.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland

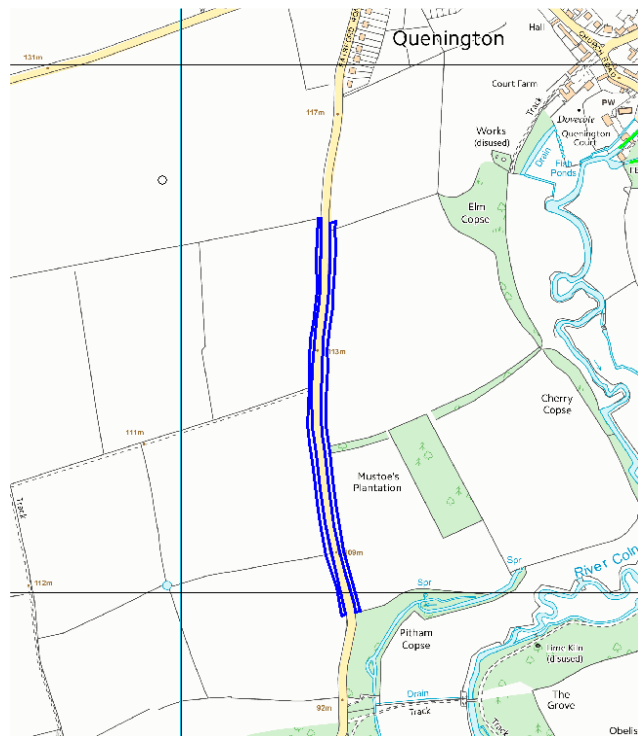
UK Priority Species: Liquorice Piercer Moth (*Grapholita pallifrontana*)

Suggested Management:

Cut the verge on only one side of the road every two years.

East verge cut between Nov 2017 & Feb 2018 (then between Nov 2021 & Feb 2022).

West verge cut between Nov 2019 & Feb 2020 (then between Nov 2023 & Feb 2024).



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Site Code: CRV011 Grid Reference: 374634 218688 to 374842 218632
District Name: FOREST OF DEAN Parish: Churcham
Site Name: **BIRDWOOD A40**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (18 species)
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

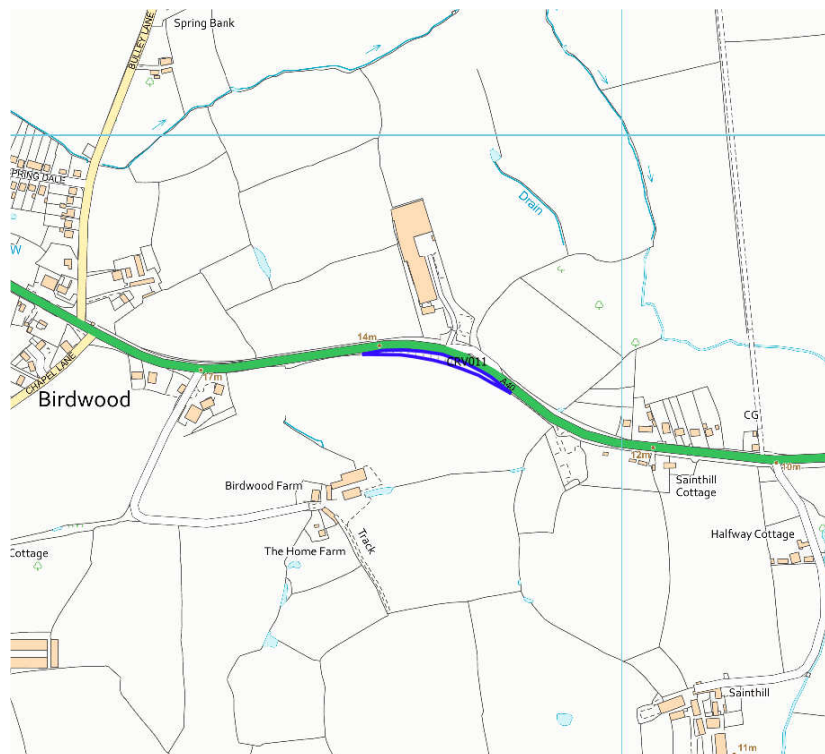
Site Description and Notes: Species-rich wide verge with areas of NVC grassland types MG5b, CG3 and MG1. Flora includes Pepper-saxifrage (*Silau silaus*), Quaking grass (*Briza media*), Fairy Flax (*Linum catharticum*), Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*) and Zigzag Clover (*Trifolium medium*). Saltmarsh species present on roadside fringe with Lesser Sea-spurrey (*Spergularia marina*) and Spear-leaved Orache (*Atriplex prostrata*). A few specimens of orchid species (Bee Orchid (*Ophrys apifera*), Common Spotted-Orchid (*Dactylorhiza fuchsia*) & Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*).
Last surveyed 12/07/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland and lowland meadow
UK Priority Species: Brown Hare (*Lepus europaeus*) droppings in 2009

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Occasional cutting of scrub encroachment

Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and any scrub growth every five years.



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Site Code: CRV012 Grid Reference: 372844 216842 to 372931 216999
District Name: FOREST OF DEAN Parish: Westbury-on-Severn
Site Name: **UPPER LEY**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (10 species)

Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Both sides of a minor road with narrow verges and dense species-rich hedges, including Wild Service-tree (*Sorbus torminalis*). Flora includes Wood Anemone (*Anemone nemorosa*), Bluebell (*Hyacinthoides non-scripta*) Barren Strawberry (*Potentilla sterilis*), Betony (*Stachys officinalis*) and Zigzag Clover (*Trifolium medium*). There is a rich woodland flora on the bank adjacent to Copland Wood; otherwise the flora is only moderate.
Last surveyed 12/07/2019.

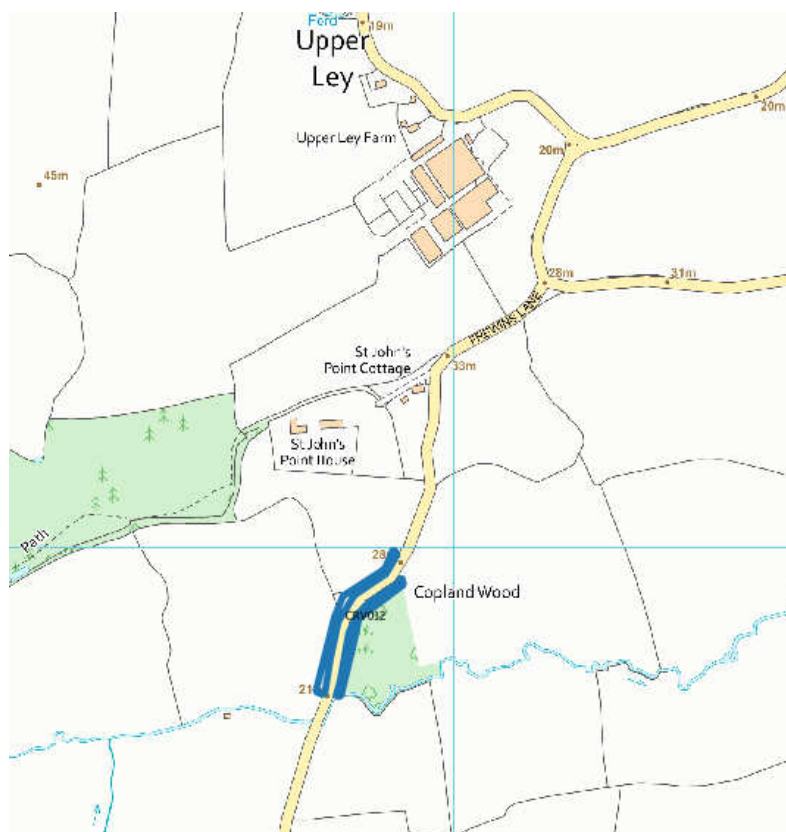
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland mixed deciduous woodland and hedgerow

UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal – No specific management required

Minimum – No specific management required



Site Code: CRV013 Grid Reference: 376563 194198 to 376864 194637
 District Name: STROUD Parish: Wotton-under-Edge
 Site Name: **COOMBE HILL, (Wotton under Edge) RSV**

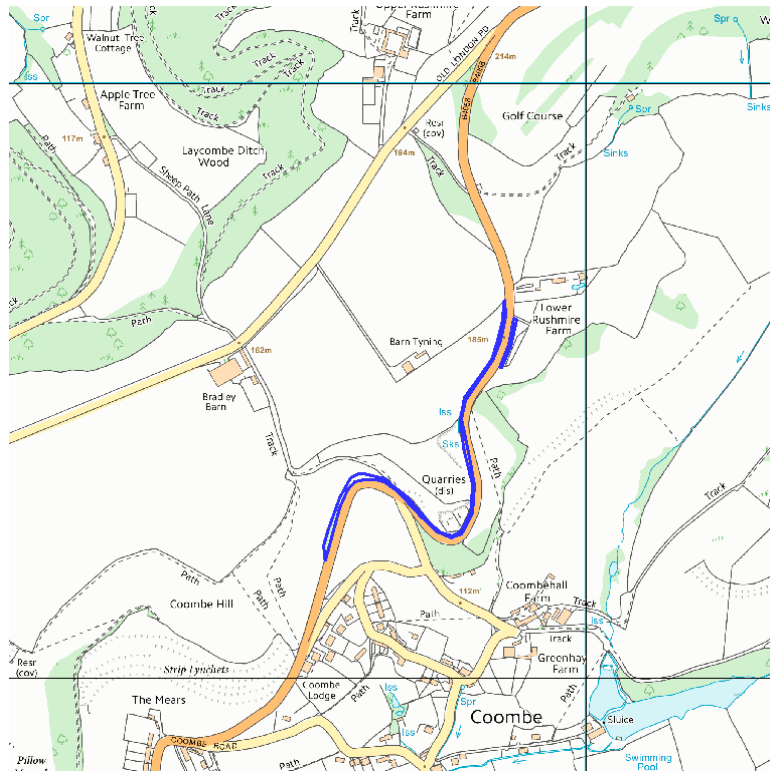
Qualifying Criteria: 1. (24) 2. Heath Snail (*Helicella itala*)
 and 3. Partly adjoins Coombe Hill SSSI and Waterworks Quarry RIGS
 Date Reviewed: 04/03/2016

Site Description and Notes:

It is mainly a narrow verge on the north side of the steeply sloping B4058 adjoining the SSSI and RIGS. There is a short section on the south verge near Lower Rushmire Farm which adjoins some unimproved grassland. The former verge is generally 1.2m wide to the boundary fence but there is an open bank alongside the SSSI. This has a rich limestone flora with species such as (Yellow-rattle *Rhinanthus minor*), Common Bird's-foot trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*) and Horseshoe Vetch (*Hippocrepis comosa*) present. There is abundant scrub encroachment in places as well as a 1m mown roadside strip. The shorter section is mainly 4-5m wide with some narrow sections where the scrub has encroached. Species here include Yellow-wort (*Blackstonia perfoliata*) and Agrimony (*Agrimonia eupatoria*). Last surveyed 07/07/2015

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland (CG4 with patches of CG5 & MG1)
 UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management (Ideal and Minimum):
 Occasional mowing, raking and control of encroaching scrub.



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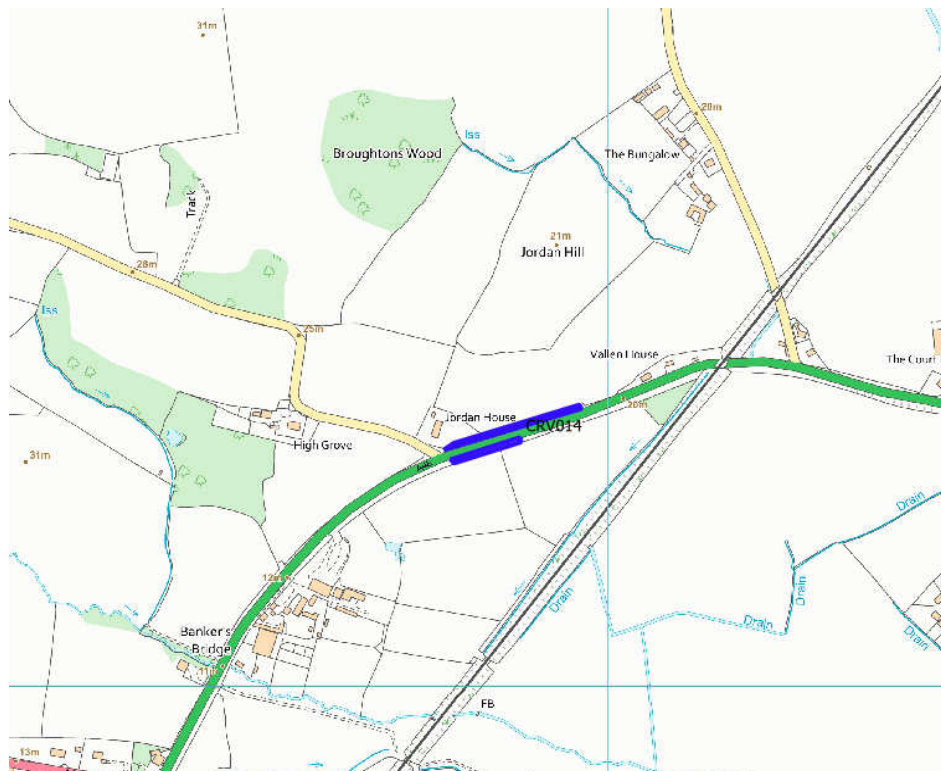
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District Name: FOREST OF DEAN Parish: Westbury on Severn
Site Name: **JORDAN HILL**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (13 species) and 2. (Glow-worm)
Date Reviewed: 23/01/2019

Site Description and Notes: Verges on both sides of the A48 near the Flaxley road junction, west of Westbury. Fine flora includes locally frequent Agrimony (*Agrimonia eupatoria*), frequent Common Bird's-foot trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*), Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*) and Meadow Vetchling (*Lathyrus pratensis*). Occasional Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), rare Quaking grass (*Briza media*), abundant Pepper-saxifrage (*Silaum silaus*), Fairy Flax (*Linum catharticum*), frequent Oxeye Daisy (*Leucanthemum vulgare*) and Common Centaury (*Centaureum erythraea*). Glow Worm recorded 2010. Last surveyed 25/08/2018.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Appears to be cut regularly but some scrub encroachment from north side boundary hedge requires control
Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and any scrub growth every five years



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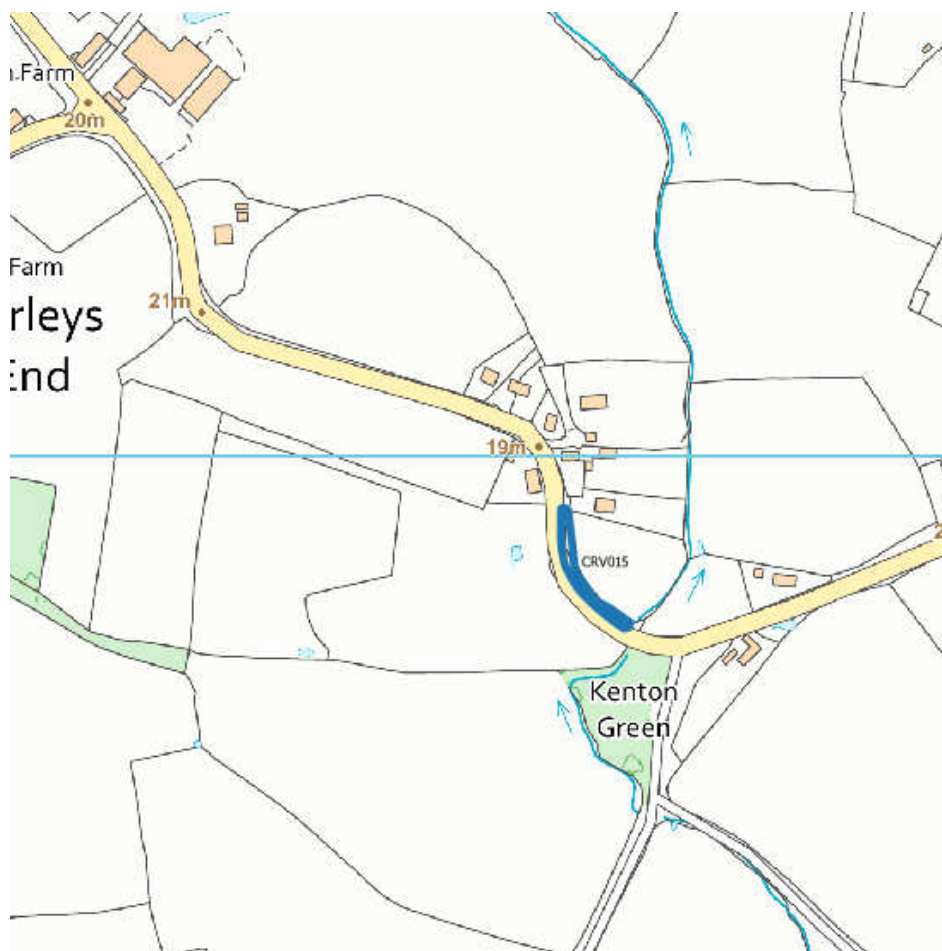
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District Name: STROUD Parish: Elmore
Site Name: **KENTON GREEN**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (11 species)
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Fine species-rich verge although with bramble, scrub encroachment and planting of garden shrubs at house entrances. Flora includes Grass Vetchling (*Lathyrus nissolia*) Agrimony (*Agrimonia eupatoria*), Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), some locally abundant Rough Hawkbit (*Leontodon hispidus*) and Pepper-saxifrage (*Silaum silaus*).
Last surveyed 28/06/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland meadow
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub and mowing of areas not regularly cut
Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



Site Code: CRV016 Grid Reference: 412800 202199 to 414243 201324
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Fairford
Site Name: **HONEYCOMBE LEAZE**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (21 species), 2. (Liquorice Piercer Moth) and 4. (Cowslip)
Date Reviewed: 19/04/2018

Site Description and Notes:

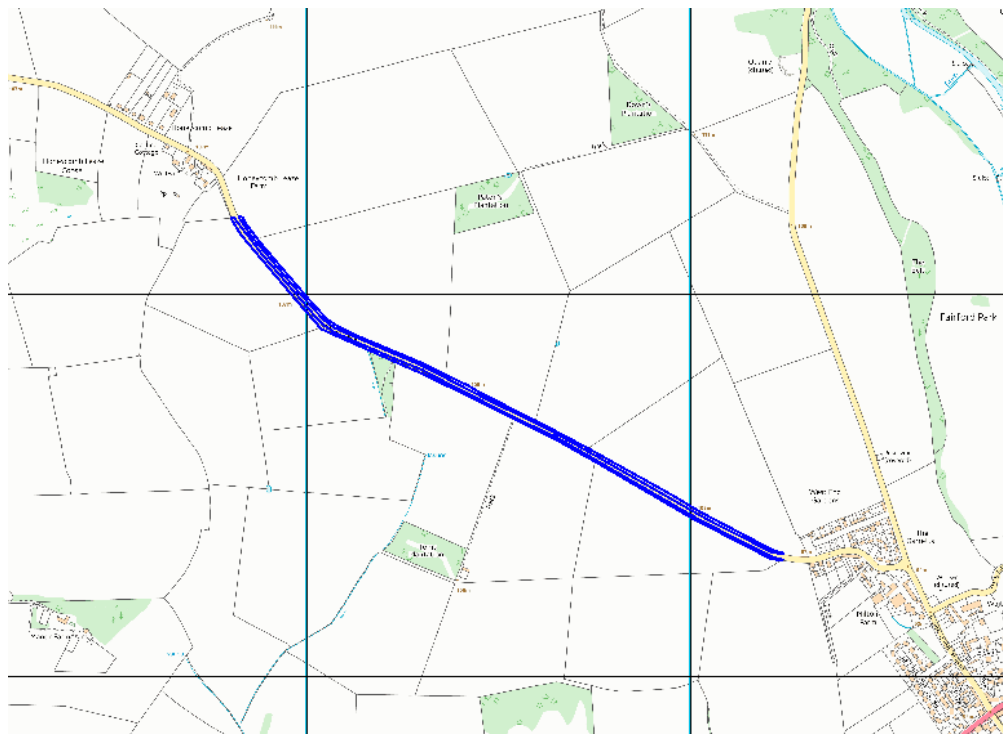
Wide verges on both sides of minor road from Fairford to Honeycombe Leaze. Generally rank MG1 and tall herb vegetation with a good range of tall, calcareous grassland species. The southern end is less diverse. Small CG3 and CG5 communities with abundant Yellow-rattle (*Rhinanthus minor*). Wild Liquorice (*Astragalus glycyphyllos*) is notably abundant along the eastern verge amongst planted oaks. Significant numbers of Liquorice Piercer Moth (*Grapholita pallifrontana*) were noted in 2016. Other flora includes Common Broomrape (*Orobanche minor*), Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*) and Meadow Crane's-bill (*Geranium pratense*), Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea scabiosa*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*) and Cowslip (*Primula veris*)
Last surveyed: 04/07/2017.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland

UK Priority Species: Yellowhammer (*Emberiza citrinella*), Liquorice Piercer Moth (*Grapholita pallifrontana*)

Suggested Management (Ideal and Minimum):

Occasional mowing, raking and control of encroaching scrub from the species rich hedgerows.



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Site Code: CRV017 Grid Reference: 377799 210671 to 377953 210543
District Name: STROUD Parish: Moreton Valence
Site Name: **PARKEND, MORETON VALENCE (Sites A and B)**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (*Centaurea scabiosa*)
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Hedgerows, ditch and rank grassland, supporting the Nationally Scarce Greater Dodder (*Centaurea scabiosa*). Last surveyed 15/09/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: None
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management (Ideal and minimum): No management is required.



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Site Code: CRV018 Grid Reference: 410424 231427 to 410647 231453
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Cutsdean
Site Name: **CUTSDEAN**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (16 species) and 3. (Local Wildlife Site)
Date Reviewed: 14/12/2020

Site Description and Notes: Narrow verges adjacent to and opposite Cutsdean Quarry (LWS) supporting a moderately rich flora including frequent Pepper-saxifrage (*Silau silaus*), Salad Burnet (*Sanguisorba minor*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*), & Common Restharrow (*Ononis repens*). There's a patch of Wild Marjoram (*Origanum vulgare*) & a little Eyebright (*Euphrasia nemorosa*) on the opposite verge amongst other species.

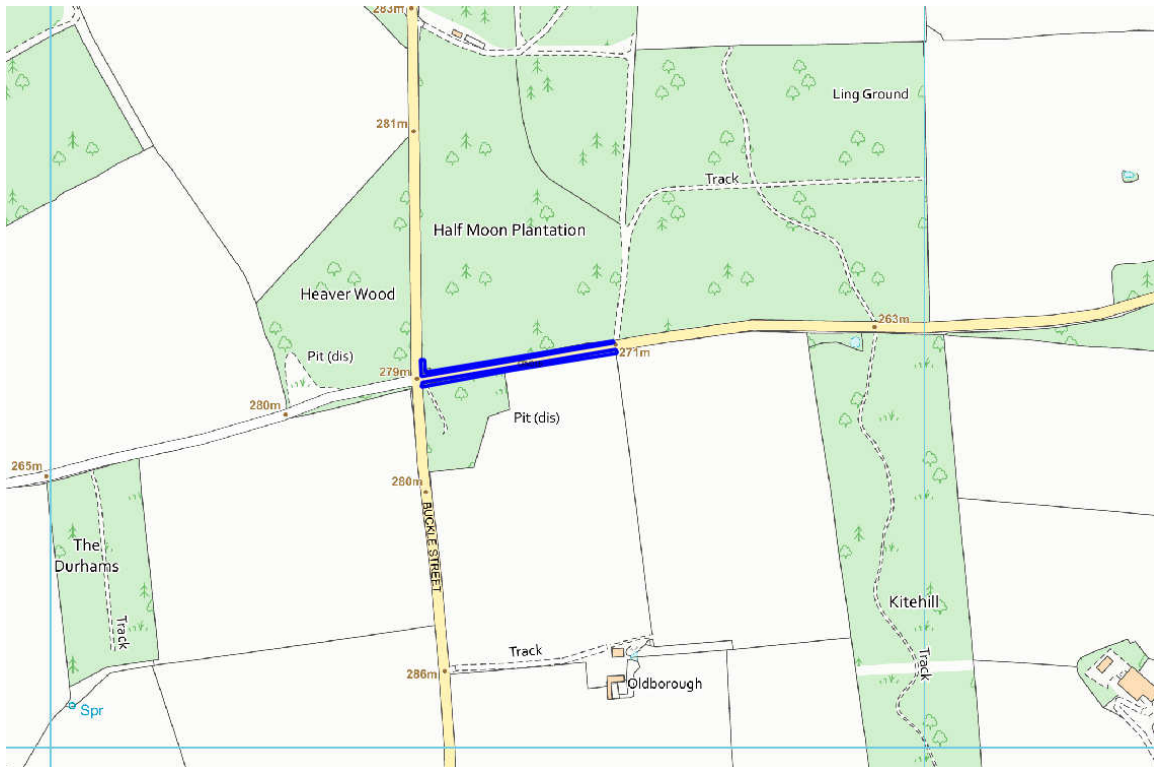
Last survey: 10/07/2020.

UK Habitat: Lowland calcareous grassland

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub and mowing.

Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



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Site Code: CRV019 Grid Reference: 407571 230485 to 407589 230449
District Name: TEWKESBURY Parish: Stanway
Site Name: **STUMPS CROSS**

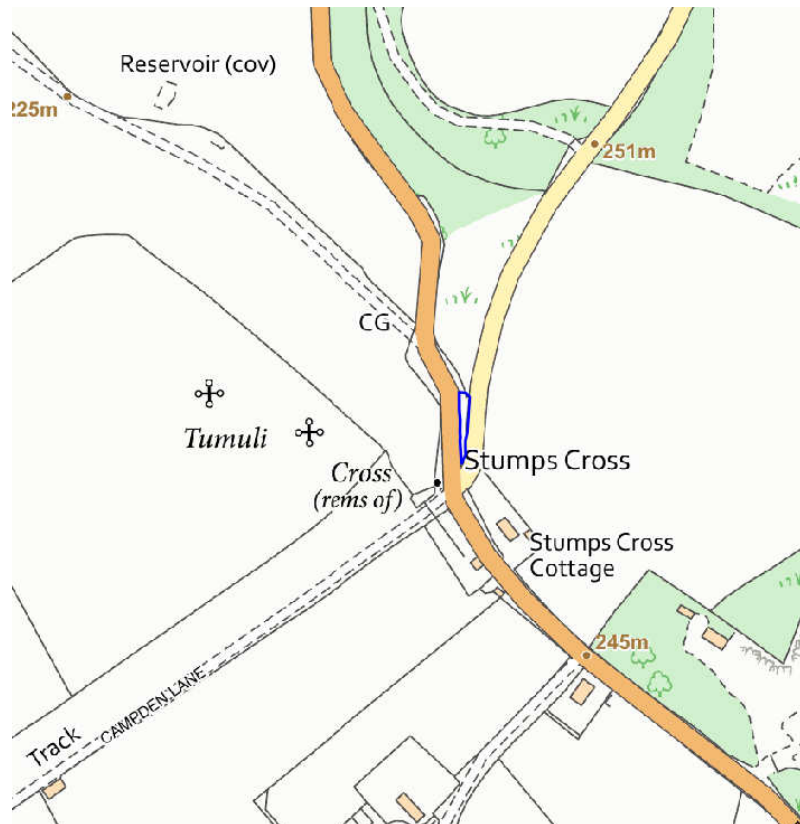
Qualifying Criteria: 4. (Meadow Crane's-bill) and 5.
Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Small steep, SSW facing bank supporting a coarse MG1 / tall herb vegetation notable for frequent Greater Burnet-saxifrage (*Pimpinella major*). Also, frequent Meadow Cranes-bill (*Geranium pratensis*), otherwise generally species poor.

Last surveyed 28/07/2021.

UK Habitat: None
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
No obvious management



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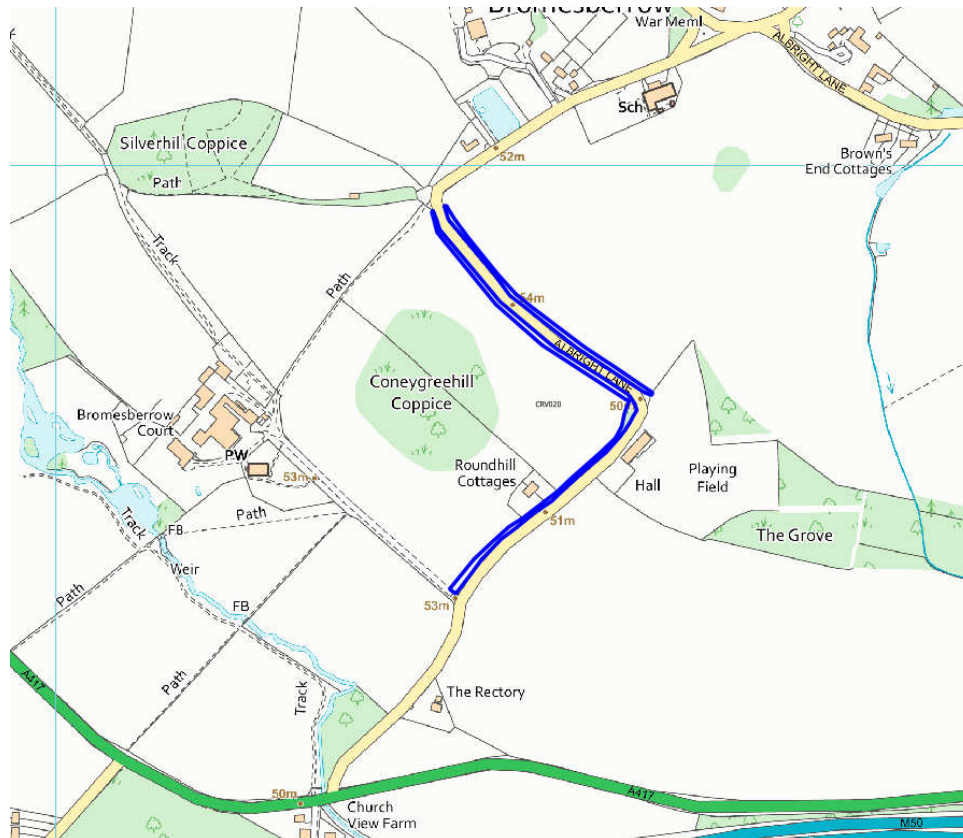
Site Code: CRV020 Grid Reference: 374422 233964 to 374436 233531
District Name: FOREST OF DEAN Parish: Bromsberrow
Site Name: **BROMSBERROW COURT**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (*Anthriscus caucalis*)
Date Reviewed: 14/12/2020

Site Description and Notes: Hedges and narrow verges either side of a minor road. Both verges used to support Bur Chervil (*Anthriscus caucalis*), a county rarity. Now restricted to a few plants on the north east and south east facing verges. Other flora includes Duke of Argyll's Tea plant (*Lycium barbarum*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), Bluebell (*Hycanthoides non-scripta*) and Black Horehound (*Ballota nigra*). Drooping Star-of-Bethlehem (*Ornithogalum nutans*), a naturalised species rare in the county has also been noted in abundance.
Last surveyed 16/06/2020.

UK Priority Habitats: Hedgerow
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management (Ideal and minimum): No management is required.



Site Code: CRV021 Grid Reference: 402354 220781 to 402404 220524
 District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Whittington
 Site Name: **SYREFORD QUARRY**

Qualifying Criteria: 1 (18 species)
 Date Reviewed: 04/03/2016

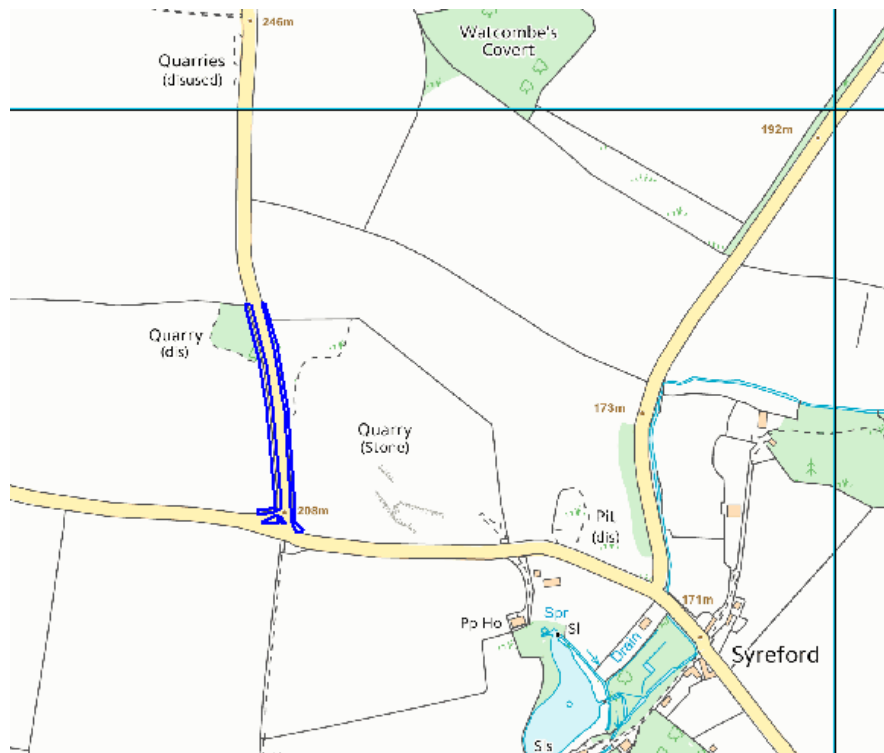
Site Description and Notes:

Small grassy triangles and verges either side of minor road. Triangles in the road are a mix of MG1 and CG5 with scattered herbs amongst a grass dominated sward. Verges are steep banks with encroaching scrub and some derelict walls. They are adjacent to an overgrown quarry to the east and arable to the west. There is a beech plantation at the north-west end and a veteran beech on the western verge. Moderate grassland flora includes Wild Basil (*Clinopodium vulgare*), Burnet-saxifrage (*Pimpinella saxifraga*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*) and Broad-leaved Helleborine (*Epipactis helleborine*)
 Last surveyed 22/07/2015.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
 UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal - Some control of encroaching scrub and clematis needed.
 Minimum - Occasional mowing and raking.



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Site Code: CRV022 Grid Reference: 389154 203226 to 389291 203258
District Name: STROUD Parish: Chalford
Site Name: **ABNASH BANK**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (21 species), 4. (*Dactylorhiza fuchsia* & *Anacamptis pyramidalis*) and 6. (e)

Date Reviewed: 14/12/2020

Site Description and Notes: Steep south facing bank adjacent to a residential street in Chalford village. Contains a rich flora including abundant Common Bird's-foot trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*), Wild Marjoram (*Origanum vulgare*) and locally abundant Dyer's Greenweed (*Genista tinctoria*) with frequent Salad Burnet (*Sanguisorba minor*) and occasional Common Centaury (*Centaureum erythraea*). There's a large concentration of Common Spotted-Orchid (*Dactylorhiza fuchsia*) & Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*) amongst the Great Willowherb (*Epilobium hirsutum*) at the eastern end. Managed by Chalford Climate Change Action Group – Biodiversity.
Last survey: 25/06/2020.

UK Habitat: Lowland calcareous grassland

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub and mowing.

Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



Site Code: CRV023 Grid Reference: 383205 202881 to 383533 202768
 District Name: STROUD Parish: Woodchester
 Site Name: **RABBIT WARREN WOOD**

Qualifying Criteria: 1 (19 species) and 3
 Date Reviewed: 23/01/2019

Site Description and Notes: Narrow verge adjoining Rabbit Warren Wood Local Wildlife Site and Selsley Common SSSI. Ancient woodland edge and short section of unimproved limestone grassland at the top end support a diverse flora including Wood Anemone (*Anemone nemorosa*), Primrose (*Primula vulgaris*), Dwarf Thistle (*Cirsium acaule*), Quaking-grass (*Briza media*) and Broad-leaved Helleborine (*Epipactis helleborine*). Last surveyed 13/07/2018.

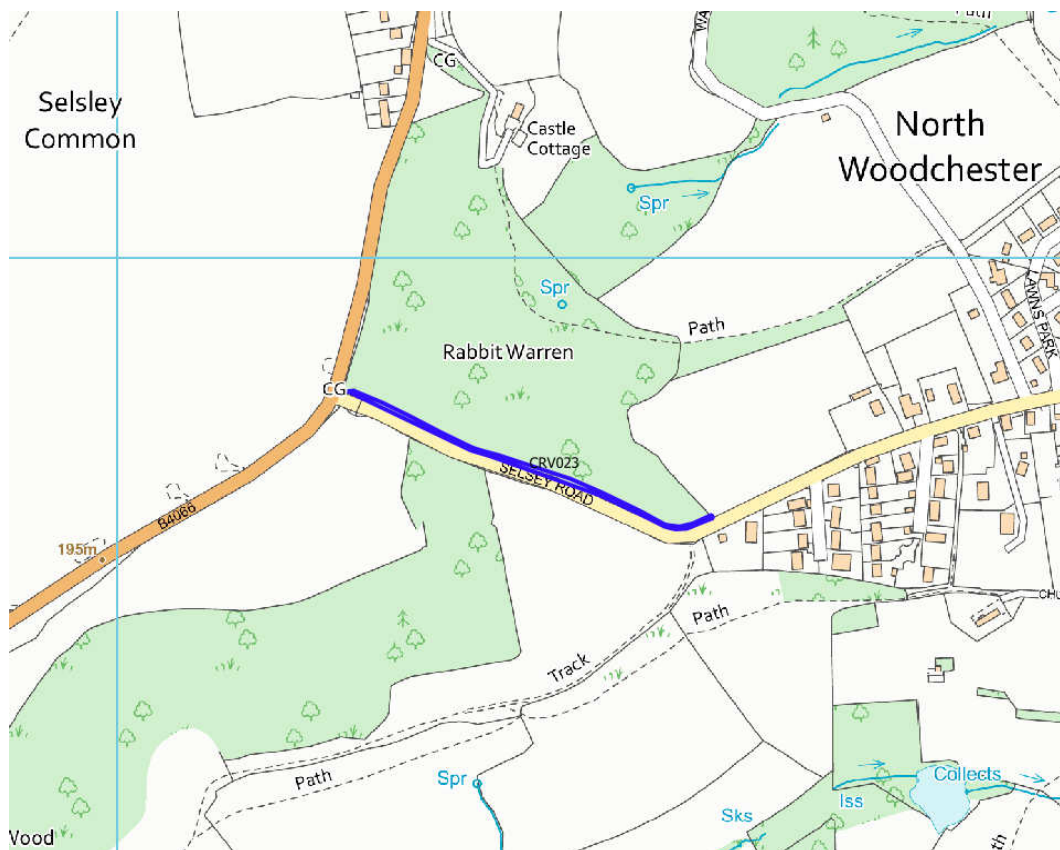
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland and Lowland Beech & Yew woodland

UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Some scrub control needed.

Minimum – Cutting of encroaching woodland edge scrub every five years



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Site Code: CRV024 Grid Reference: 390068 203168 to 390124 203261
District Name: STROUD Parish: Chalford
Site Name: **PARISH BANK**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (14 species), 3. Chalford Hill Recreation Ground LWS and 6. (e)
Date Reviewed: 14/12/2020

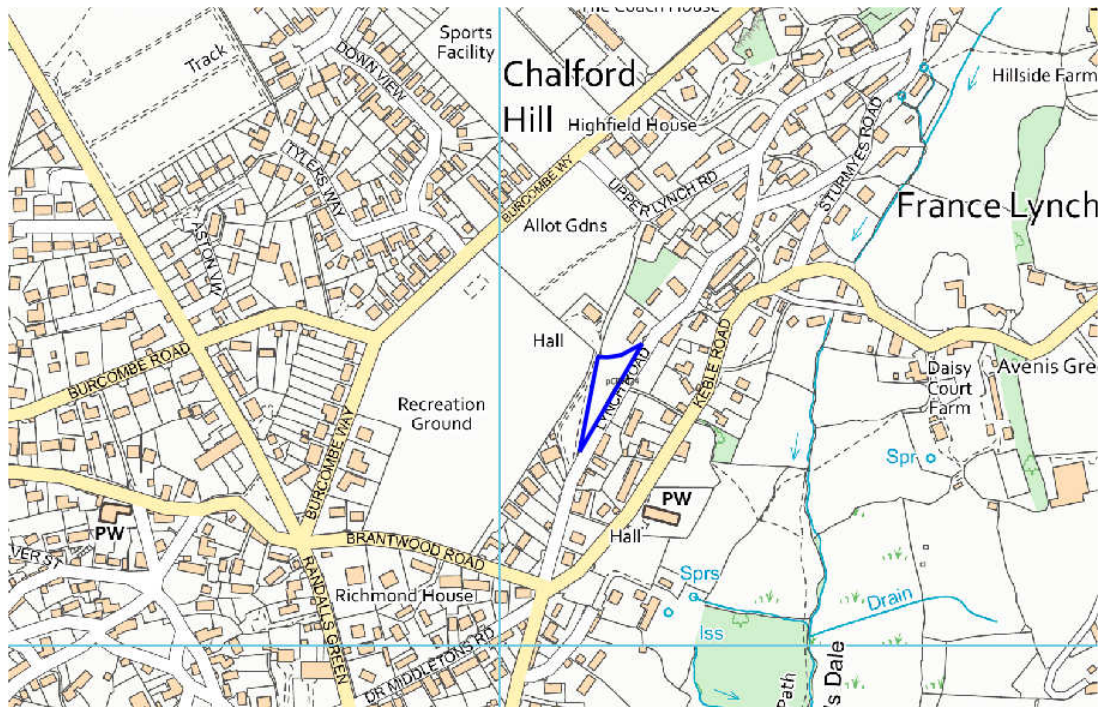
Site Description and Notes: Bank adjacent to Lynch Road in Chalford village. Species includes frequently occurring Autumn Hawkbit and Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea scabiosa*), abundant Common Bird's-foot trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*) plus occasional Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*) and Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*). Managed by Chalford Climate Change Action Group – Biodiversity. Last survey: 13/09/2020.

UK Habitat: Lowland calcareous grassland

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub and mowing.

Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



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Site Code: CRV025 Grid Reference: 387470 208070 to 387560 208150
District Name: STROUD Parish: Painswick
Site Name: **SLAD ROAD**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (32 species) and 2. (*Onobrychis viciifolia*)
Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

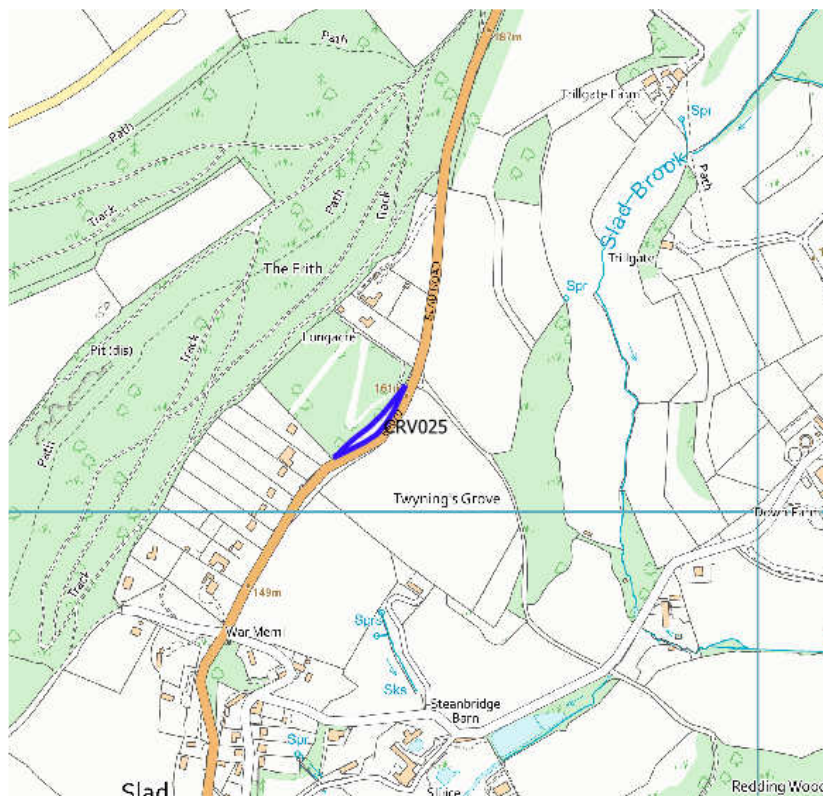
Site Description and Notes: Heavily scrubbed over limestone grassland. Rich flora includes Yellow-wort (*Blackstonia perfoliata*), Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea scabiosa*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*), Rough Hawkbit (*Leontodon hispidus*), Fairy Flax (*Linum catharticum*), Near Threatened Sainfoin (*Onobrychis viciifolia*), Marjoram (*Origanum vulgare*), Yellow-rattle (*Rhinanthus minor*), Salad Burnet (*Sanguisorba minor*) and Wild Thyme (*Thymus polytrichus*). A former site for the Small Blue butterfly but with no Kidney Vetch recorded in 2006 the site presumably no longer supports this species) Last surveyed (partially): 04/06/2021

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: Small Blue (*Cupido minimus*) butterfly - old record

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Cut encroaching scrub and occasional mowing of bank every five years, with less intensive mowing of flat area by road

Minimum – Cut and rake scrub and rank grass growth every five years.



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Site Code: CRV026 Grid Reference: 412930 222900 to 413100 223040
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Naunton
Site Name: **HARFORD BRIDGE**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (27 species), 2. (Basil Thyme, Sainfoin and Heath Snail)
Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Steep scree slope of calcareous grassland (NVC type CG5b) and flat area of NVC type CG5a, all supporting a very rich flora including the Vulnerable Basil Thyme (*Clinopodium acinos*) and Sainfoin (*Onobrychis viciifolia*) as well as Yellow-wort (*Blackstonia perfoliata*) and Hawkweeds (*Hieracium* agg.). Local Wildlife Site mollusc Heath Snail (*Helicella itala*) is also present.
Last surveyed 16/08/2021.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: Basil Thyme (*Clinopodium acinos*)

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub and saplings
Minimum – Cutting scrub and sapling growth every five years



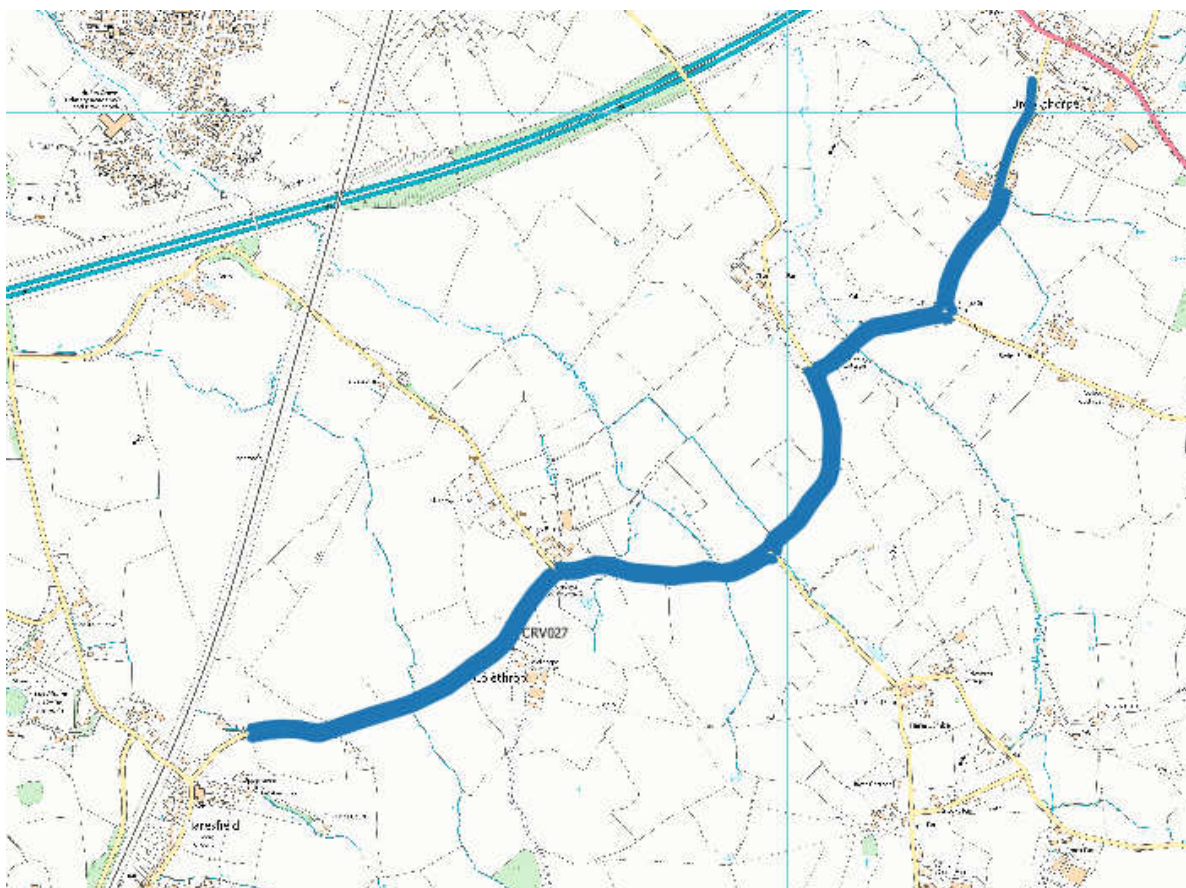
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District Name: STROUD Parish: Brookthorpe-with-Whaddon, Harescombe, Haresfield
Site Name: **HARESFIELD TO BROOKTHORPE**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (17 species)
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: c3km of verges along both sides of the road, including some very fine species-rich grassland (NVC type MG5) areas, also rank grassland (NVC type MG1), long stretches of tall herb, ditches and species-rich hedges. Flora includes Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*), Corky-fruited Water-dropwort (*Oenanthe pimpinelloides*), a little Yellow-rattle (*Rhinanthus minor*) and Grass Vetchling (*Lathyrus nissolia*). Last surveyed 19/06/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland meadow and Hedgerow
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub and mowing of areas not regularly cut
Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



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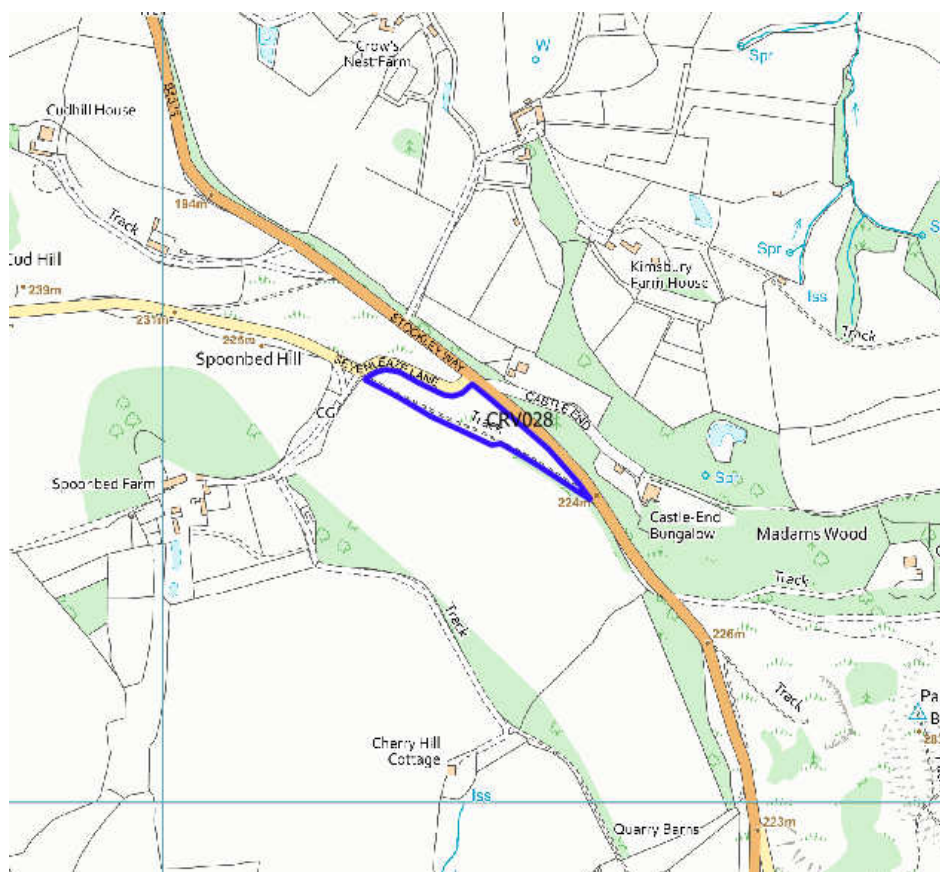
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District Name: STROUD Parish: Painswick, Upton St. Leonards
Site Name: **UPTON ST LEONARDS, CUD HILL (B4073)**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (28 species), 2. (*Briza media*) and 3.
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: The site contains small areas of species-rich limestone grassland including Yellow-rattle (*Rhinanthus minor*), Quaking-grass (*Briza media*), Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea scabiosa*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*) and Fairy Flax (*Linum catharticum*). Majority of the site consists of scrub: Hawthorn (*Crataegus monogyna*) and Bramble (*Rubus fruticosus*) as well as a high sward dominated by False Oat-grass (*Arrhenatherum elatius*)
Last surveyed 03/07/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Occasional cutting of any encroaching scrub
Minimum – Cutting of scrub and sapling growth every five years



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Site Code: CRV029 Grid Reference: 388372 211314 to 388696 211687
District Name: STROUD Parish: Cranham, Painswick
Site Name: **CRANHAM (SALTRIDGE HILL)**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (18 species), 2. (Knapweed Broomrape) and 4. (Meadow crane's-bill)

Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Both verges are mostly flat and gently sloping but with short, steep-banked sections. Part of the south-western verge had been mown on the corner. Seven plants of Knapweed Broomrape (*Orobanche elatior*) were recorded in places along the verge and in adjacent woodland edge in 2014. Generally, species rich limestone grassland especially at the north-eastern end. The flora also included: Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea scabiosa*), Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*), Wild Marjoram (*Origanum vulgare*), Cowslip (*Primula veris*), Salad Burnet (*Sanguisorba minor*) and Goat's-beard (*Tragopogon pratensis*).
Last surveyed: 04/06/2021

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland

UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Control of rank grass growth and scrub encroachment

Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years from maturing, adjacent plantations.



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Site Code: CRV030 Grid Reference: 386685 227965 to 386800 228154
District Name: TEWKESBURY Parish: Deerhurst
Site Name: **WILLOW HILL, B4213 APPERLEY**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (10 species)

Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Wide species-rich verge and hedge. Flora includes Agrimony (*Agrimonia eupatoria*), Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Common Centaury (*Centaureum erythraea*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), Bulbous Buttercup (*Ranunculus bulbosus*) and Bee Orchid (*Ophrys apifera*). Encroaching Field Maple (*Acer campestre*), Downy Birch (*Betula pubescens*), Ash (*Fraxinus excelsior*), Hawthorn (*Crataegus monogyna*), Dog Rose (*Rosa canina*) and Bramble (*Rubus fruticosus*) scrub. Last surveyed 26/07/2019.

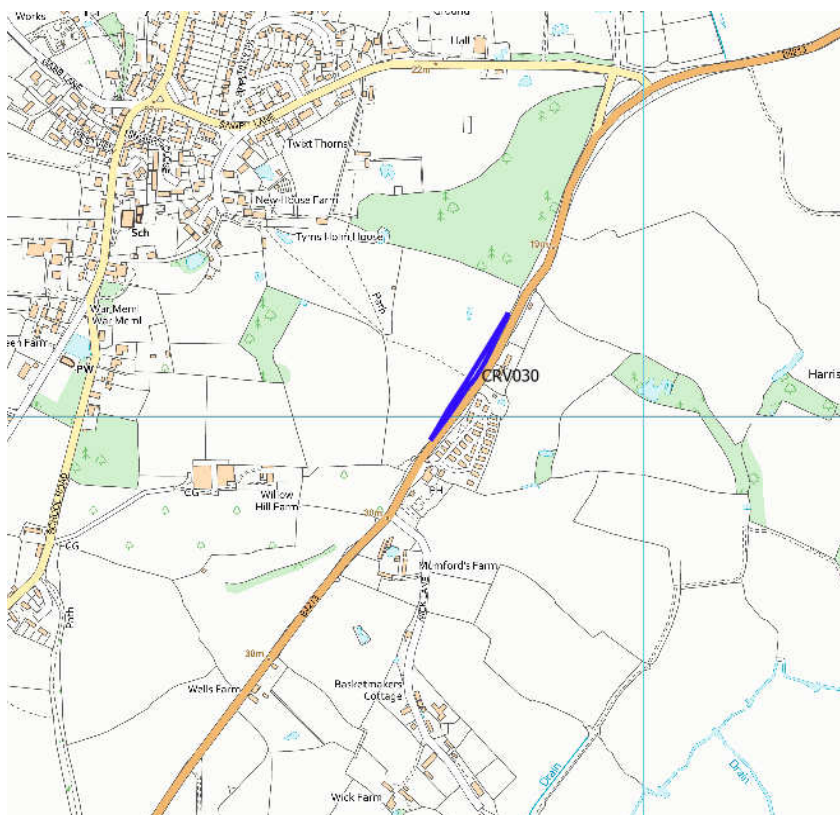
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland meadow and Hedgerow

UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub

Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



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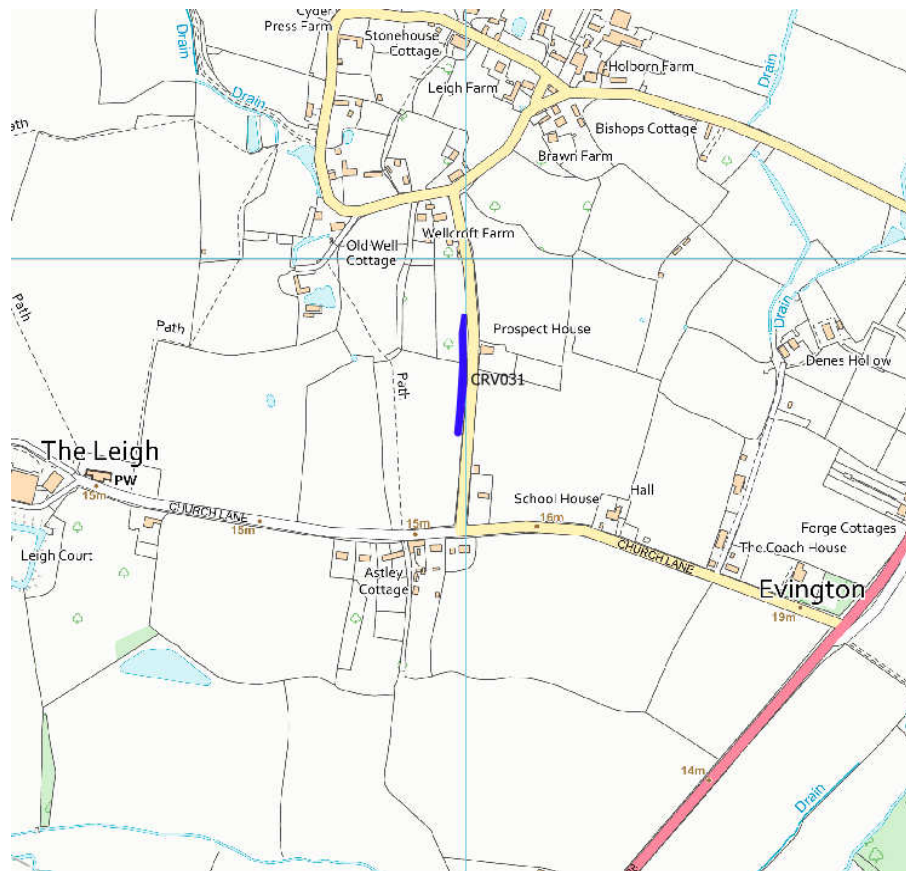
Site Code: CRV031 Grid Reference: 387000 225936 to 386992 225797
District Name: TEWKESBURY Parish: Leigh
Site Name: **PROSPECT COTTAGE, THE LEIGH**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (*Sambucus ebulus*)
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Stand of Dwarf Elder (*Sambucus ebulus*) within rank grassland on west side of minor road. A stand of Japanese Knotweed (*Fallopia japonica*) has been removed since 2009.
Last surveyed 26/07/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: None
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Control of encroaching bramble and other scrub.
Minimum – Cutting of scrub and sapling growth every five years



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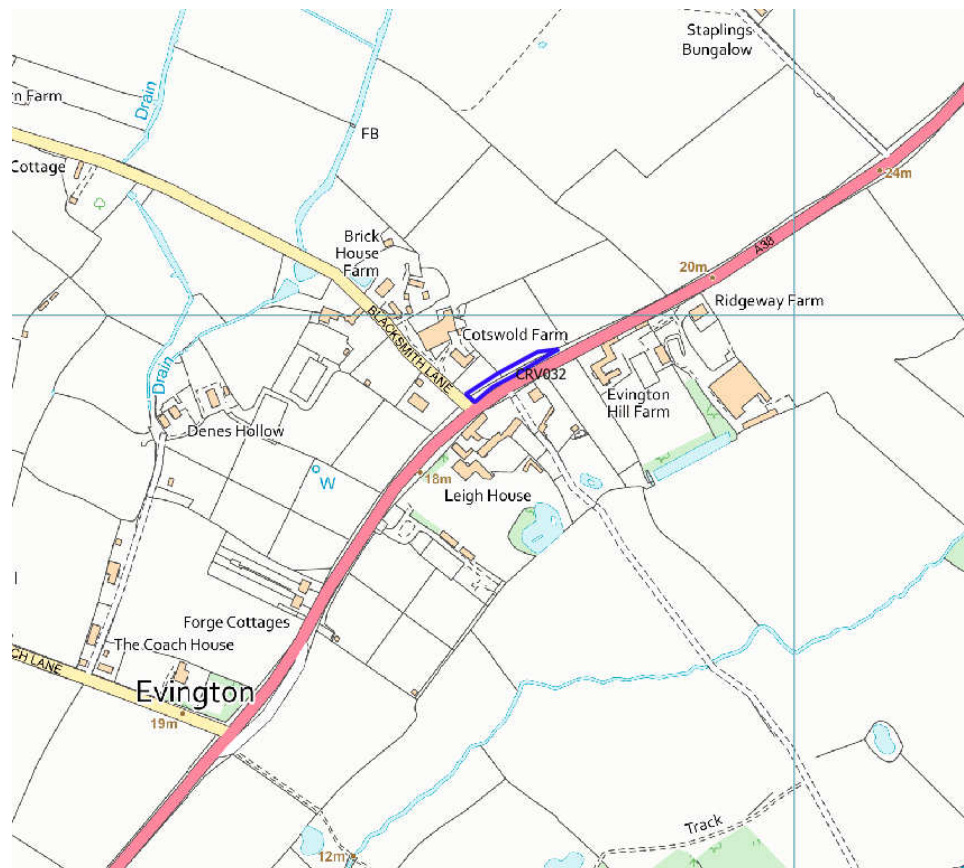
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District Name: TEWKESBURY Parish: Leigh
Site Name: **COTSWOLD FARM, THE LEIGH**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (*Sambucus ebulus*)
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Stand of Dwarf Elder (*Sambucus ebulus*) within tall herb and rank grassland, with encroaching scrub and tree saplings.
Last surveyed 26/07/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: None
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Control of encroaching elm, bramble, sycamore, elder and plum
Minimum – Cutting of scrub and sapling growth every five years



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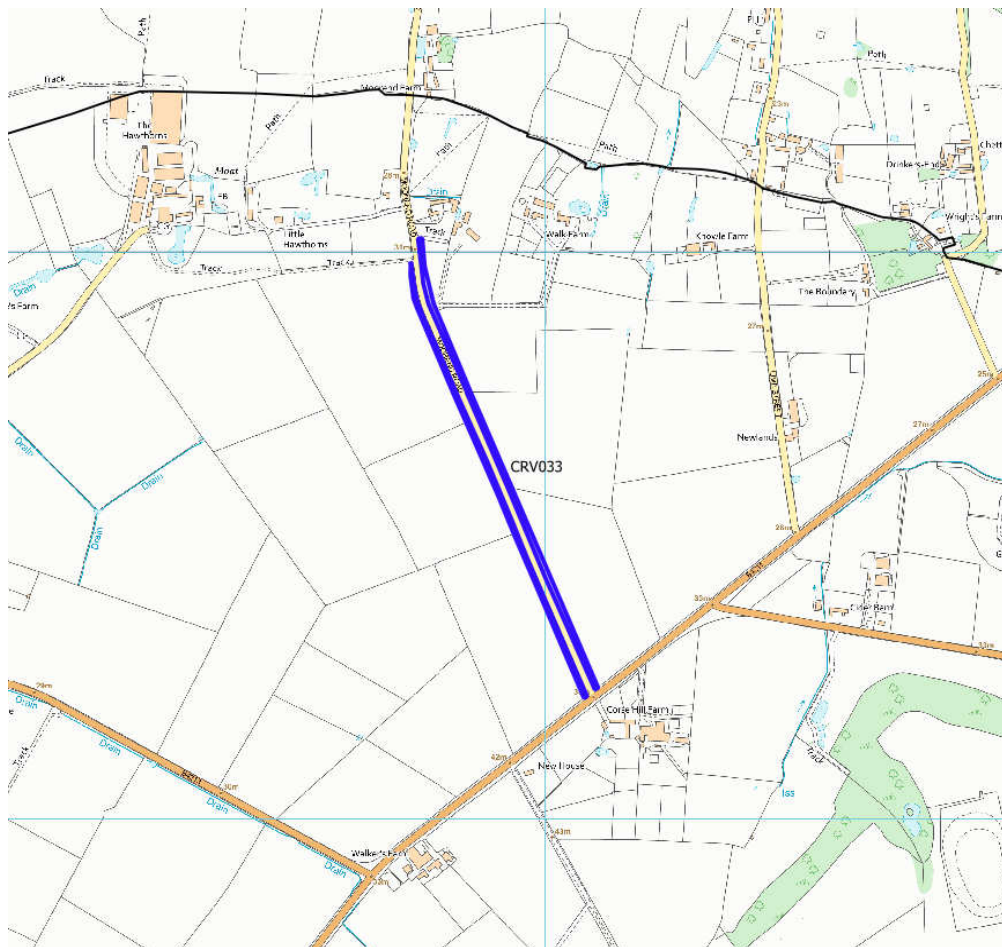
Site Code: CRV033 Grid Reference: 381070 229220 to 380780 230020
District Name: FOREST OF DEAN Parish: Corse
Site Name: **MOOREND ROAD (CORSE)**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (14 species)
Date Reviewed: 14/12/2020

Site Description and Notes: Species-rich verges along both sides of minor road. Flora includes Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), Burnet-saxifrage (*Pimpinella saxifraga*), Yellow-rattle (*Rhinanthus minor*), Cowslip (*Primula veris*) and Hoary Plantain (*Plantago media*). Last surveyed 16/06/2020.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland meadow
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub and mowing and raking of grass
Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



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Site Code: CRV034 Grid Reference: 383020 227010 to 382410 225650
District Name: TEWKESBURY Parish: Ashleworth, Hasfield
Site Name: **ASHLEWORTH HAM**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (Great Dodder), 3. (GWT nature reserve) and 4. (Meadow Crane's-bill)

Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Long verges along both sides of road supporting the Nationally Scarce Greater Dodder (*Cuscuta europaea*) in at least 5 different places. As well as the veteran willow pollards, species include abundant Meadowsweet (*Filipendula ulmaria*) with locally abundant Meadow Crane's-bill and Common Meadow-rue (*Thalictrum flavum*).

Last surveyed 22/08/2019

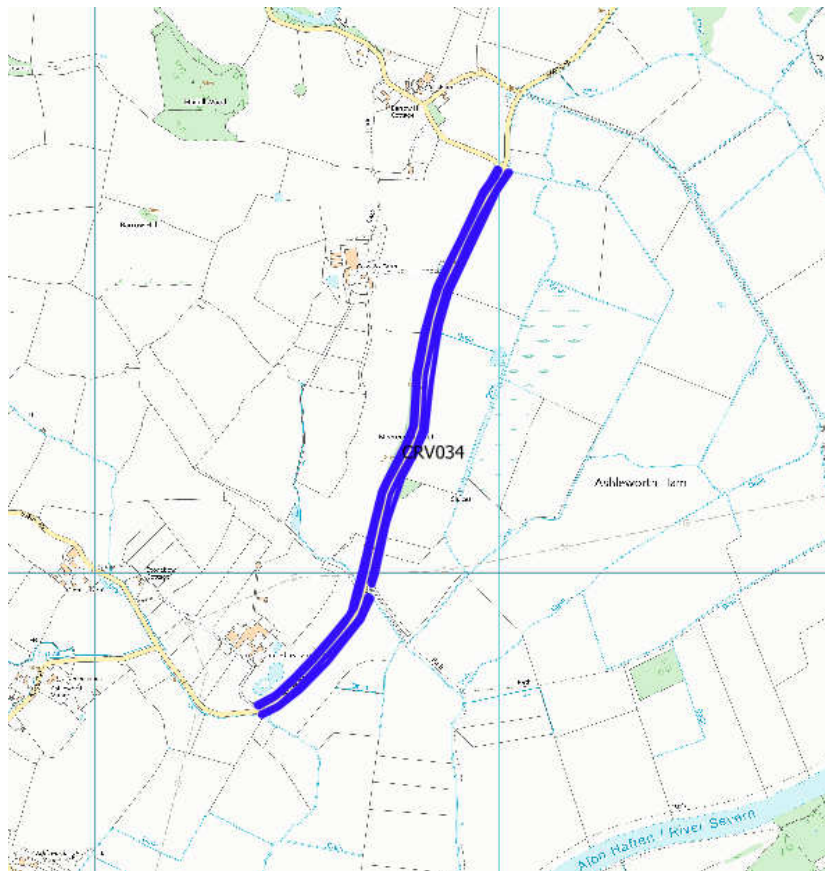
UK Priority Habitats: None

UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal management: No cutting of nettles from mid-summer onwards

Minimum: No specific management is required



Site Code: CRV035 Grid Reference: 380370 277490 to 381460 226230
District Name: TEWKESBURY Parish: Ashleworth, Hasfield, Corse
Site Name: **WICKRIDGE STREET, ASHLEWORTH**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (11) and 2. (*Populus nigra ssp. betulifolia*) & (*Cuscuta europaea*)
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes

c1.5km of verges along both sides of Wickridge St. Long sections are rather species-poor, but there are stretches of species-rich grassland particularly the area south of Berrow Farm. Flora includes a mature native Black Poplar (*Populus nigra ssp. betulifolia*), the Nationally Scarce Greater Dodder (*Cuscuta europaea*) not seen since 2007 and the Near Threatened Round-fruited Rush (*Juncus compressus*).
Last surveyed: 21/08/2019.

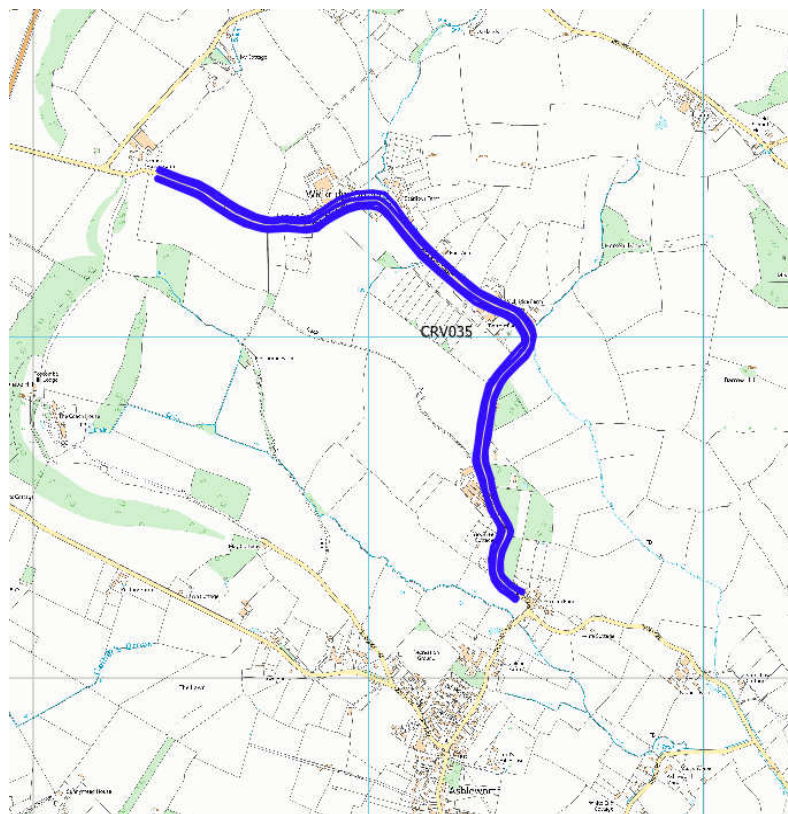
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland meadow and Hedgerow

UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal – No cutting of nettles from mid-summer onwards. Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub and mowing and raking of grass

Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



Site Code: CRV036 Grid Reference: 382290 229200 to 381970 228630
District Name: TEWKESBURY Parish: Tirley
Site Name: **CORSE HILL BOTTOM**

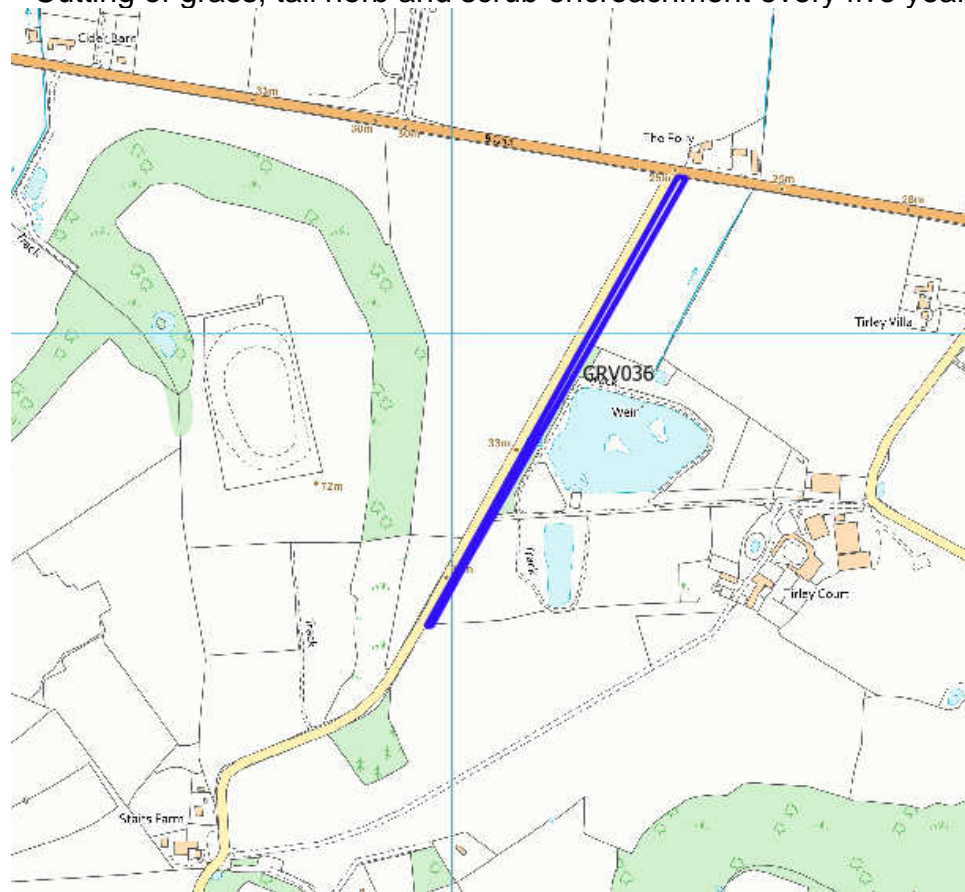
Qualifying Criteria: 1. (10 species)
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Sections along south side of minor road with a fine flora, including Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), Meadow Vetchling (*Lathyrus pratensis*), Common Bird's-foot-trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*), Burnet-Saxifrage (*Pimpinella saxifraga*) and Pepper-saxifrage (*Silvaum silaus*). Locally abundant Strawberry Clover (*Trifolium fragiferum*) at the northern end found in 2015. Last surveyed 21/08/2019

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Cutting of rank grass and scrub control needed. Removal of cuttings
Minimum – Cutting of grass, tall herb and scrub encroachment every five years



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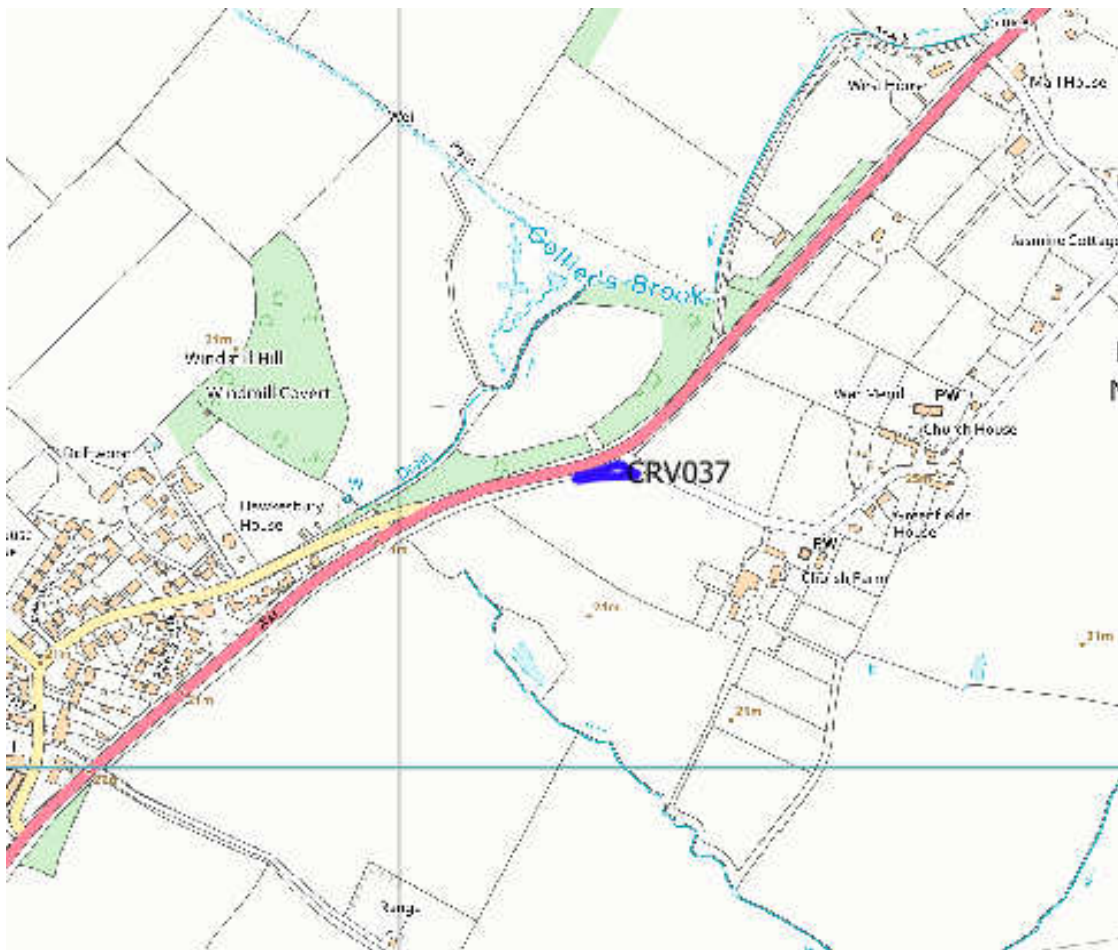
Site Code: CRV037 Grid Reference: 386186 224309 to 386255 224310
District Name: TEWKESBURY Parish: Norton
Site Name: **NORTON (A38)**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (*Sambucus ebulus*)
Date Reviewed: 19/04/2018

Site Description and Notes: Wide band of Dwarf Elder (*Sambucus ebulus*) with rough grass, tall herb and hedgerow. Last surveyed 21/06/2017.

UK Priority Habitats: None
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Cutting of encroaching tall herb, grass and scrub
Minimum – Cutting of grass, tall herb and scrub encroachment every five years



Site Code: CRV038 Grid Reference: 387808 231710 to 387581 231545
District Name: TEWKESBURY Parish: Forthampton
Site Name: **LOWER LODE LANE (Forthampton)**

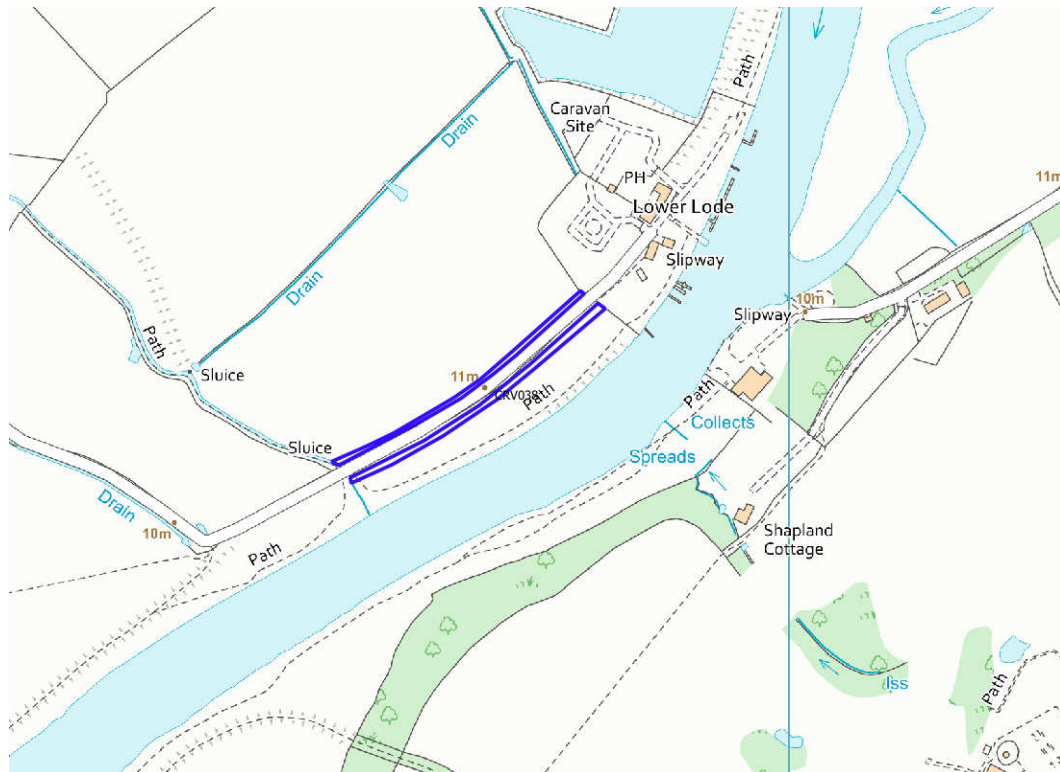
Qualifying Criteria: 2. (Greater Dodder)
Date Reviewed: 04/03/2016

Site Description and Notes:

Dense hedges, abundant Hop (*Humulus lupulus*), tall herb and rank grassland with veteran trees. Scattered patches of the Nationally Scarce Greater Dodder (*Cuscuta europaea*) along the south side of lane near telegraph poles 14A and 16A. Other species of interest include Meadowsweet, occasional Meadow Crane's-bill. Last surveyed 02/09/2015.

UK Priority Habitats: Hedgerow
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal – No cutting of nettles from mid-summer onwards
Minimum – Strips cut on both sides.



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Site Code: CRV039 Grid Reference: 388302 231863 to 388279 231837
District Name: TEWKESBURY Parish: Tewkesbury
Site Name: **LOWER LODE LANE (Tewkesbury)**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (*Populus nigra* ssp. *betulifolia*) & (*Cuscuta europaea*)
Date Reviewed: 23/01/2019

Site Description and Notes: Originally registered for single mature Black-poplar (*Populus nigra* ssp. *betulifolia*), but the verge also supports the Nationally Scarce Greater Dodder (*Cuscuta europaea*) c20m north of the tree on the opposite side of the road. Last surveyed 18/09/2018

UK Priority Habitats: None
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Care not to damage tree roots. No cutting of nettles from mid-summer onwards
Minimum – Should be fine with no specific management



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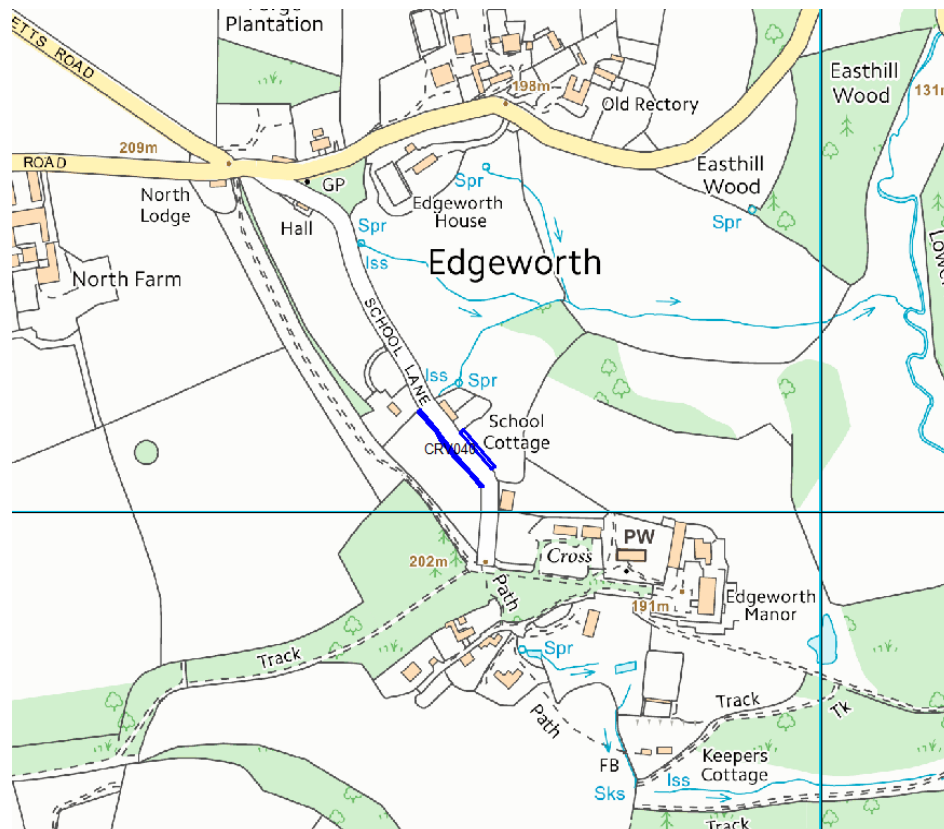
Site Code: CRV040 Grid Reference: 394634 206092 to 394700 206039
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Edgeworth
Site Name: **EDGEWORTH STONE WALL**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (*Lauria sempronii* and *Vertigo pusilla*)
Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: The site comprises of 2 stone walls on opposite sides of School Lane. The eastern wall is heavily overgrown, shaded and has been partly repaired recently. The western section is more open, unshaded and with extensive moss cover. It has historically supported the Endangered snail *Lauria sempronii* and the Nationally Scarce *Vertigo pusilla*.
Last surveyed 03/11/2021.

UK Priority Habitats: None
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management (Ideal and Minimum): No disturbance to stone wall



Site Code: CRV041 Grid Reference: 394813 202009 to 396058 201984
 District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Sapperton
 Site Name: **SAPPERTON A419**

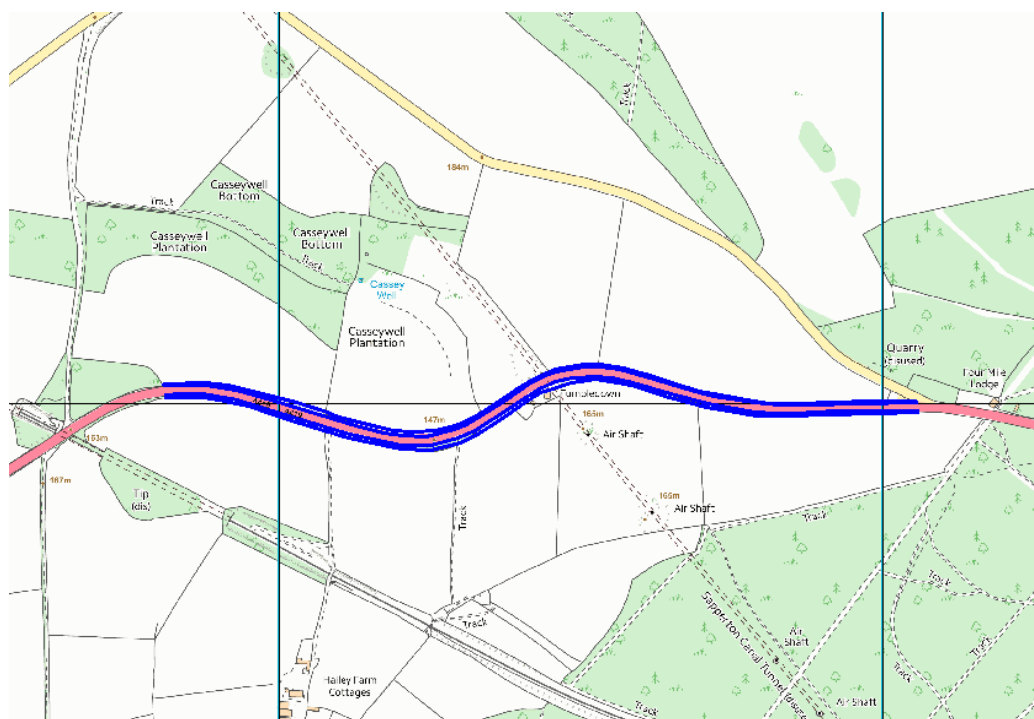
Qualifying Criteria: 1.(37 species), 2. (2 molluscs, Sainfoin) and 4. (Meadow crane's-bill)
 Date Reviewed: 04/03/2016

Site Description and Notes: Long sections of mainly coarse, rank MG1 with tall herbs and scrub encroachment with 1-3m roadside sections mown. The richest area of fine grassland is on the steep slopes. Notable species include: Near Threatened Sainfoin (*Onobrychis viciifolia*), Local Wildlife Site molluscs Heath Snail (*Helicella itala*) and Large Chrysalis Snail (*Abida secale*). Other species include Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*), Yellow-wort (*Blackstonia perfoliata*), Dwarf Thistle (*Cirsium acaule*), Common Rock-rose (*Helianthemum nummularium*), Fairy Flax (*Linum catharticum*), Small Scabious (*Scabiosa columbria*) and Wild Thyme (*Thymus polytrichus*). Last surveyed 15/07/2015.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland (CG4, CG5a, CG5b)
 UK Priority Species: Polecat (*Mustela putorius*) - dead on road, Yellowhammer (*Emberiza citronella*)

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub and tree saplings
 Minimum – Cutting of scrub and sapling growth every five years



Site Code: CRV042 Grid Reference: 392960 201842 to 393221 201809
 District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Sapperton
 Site Name: **BEACON FARM A419**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (24 species), 2. (Sainfoin) and 4. (Meadow crane's-bill)
 Date Reviewed: 04/03/2016

Site Description and Notes:

A mosaic of grasslands (MG1 & CG3), bramble and tall herbs. Wide verges both sides of the road still support fine limestone grassland flora, including Sainfoin (*Onobrychis viciifolia*). Other flora includes frequent Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*) and Meadow Crane's-bill (*Geranium pratense*), Quaking-grass (*Briza media*), Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea scabiosa*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*), Fairy Flax (*Linum catharticum*), Burnet-saxifrage (*Pimpinella saxifraga*), Cowslip (*Primula veris*) and Yellow-rattle (*Rhinanthus minor*). Last surveyed 30/06/2015.

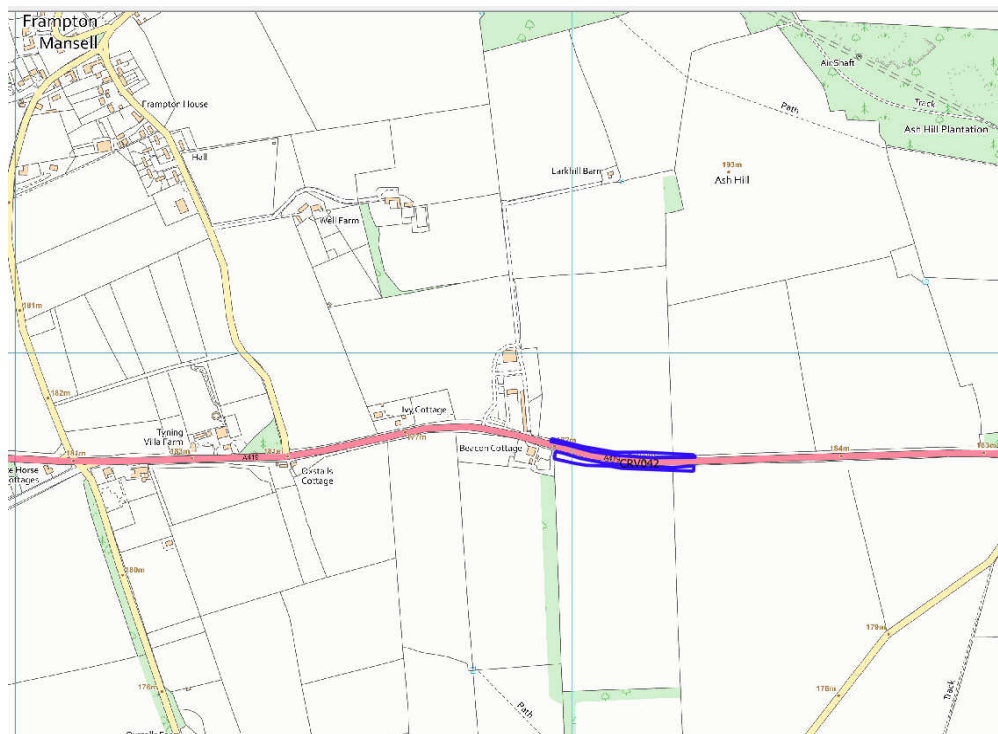
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland

UK Priority Species: Cinnabar (*Tyria jacobaeae*) moth, Yellowhammer (*Emberiza citrinella*)

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Scrub control needed on north verge every five years and mowing and raking of grass every 2-3 years in late summer

Minimum – Cutting of grass, tall herb and scrub encroachment every five years.



Site Code: CRV043 Grid Reference: 393858 203424 to 393581 203540
 District Name: STROUD Parish: Bisley-with-Lypiatt
 Site Name: **DANEWAY BANKS LANE**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (11 species), 2. (*Anguis fragilis*, *Lacerta vivipara*, *Ophrys insectifera*) and 3. (GWT nature reserves)

Date Reviewed: 14/12/2020

Site Description and Notes: Narrow banked verges on both sides of the minor road alongside the Daneway Banks SSSI and Siccaridge Wood Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust Nature Reserves. Rich flora includes an old record of the Vulnerable Fly Orchid (*Ophrys insectifera*), Common Rock-rose (*Helianthemum nummularium*), Marjoram (*Origanum vulgare*) and Wild Basil (*Clinopodium vulgare*). Last surveyed 25/06/2020.

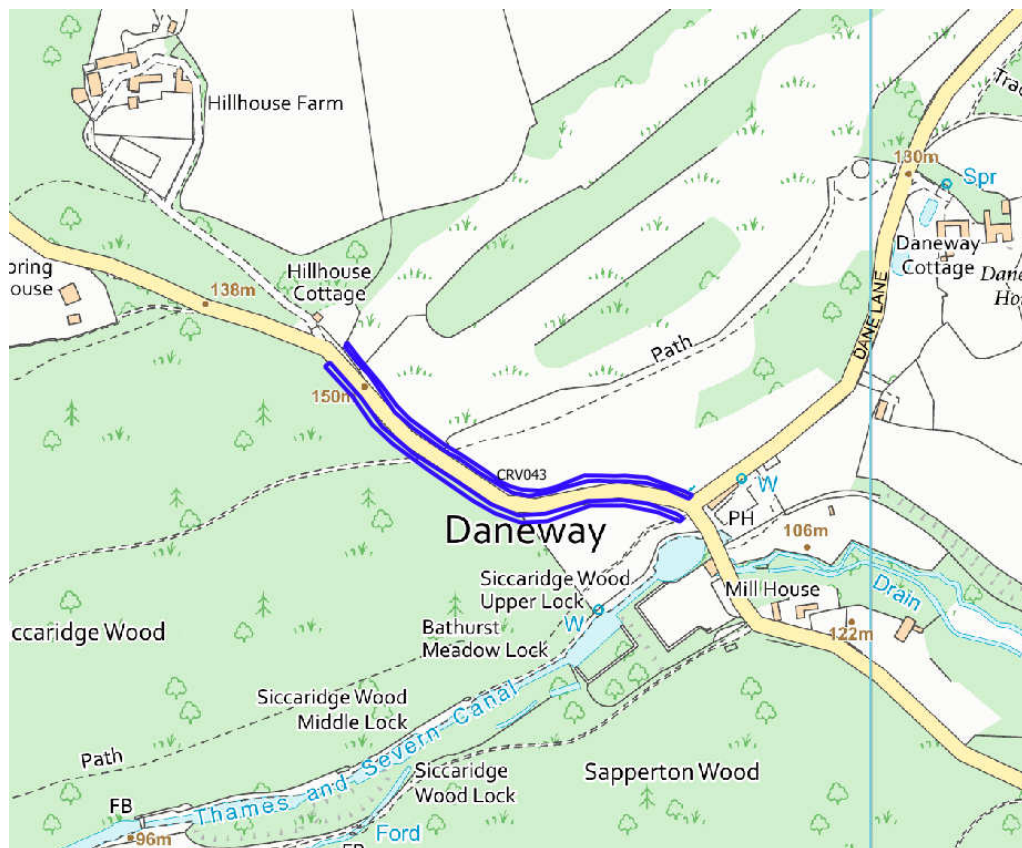
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland

UK Priority Species: Slow-worm (*Anguis fragilis*), Common Lizard (*Lacerta vivipara*), Fly Orchid (*Ophrys insectifera*)

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Cutting of scrub and sapling growth every three years

Minimum – Cutting of scrub and sapling growth every five years



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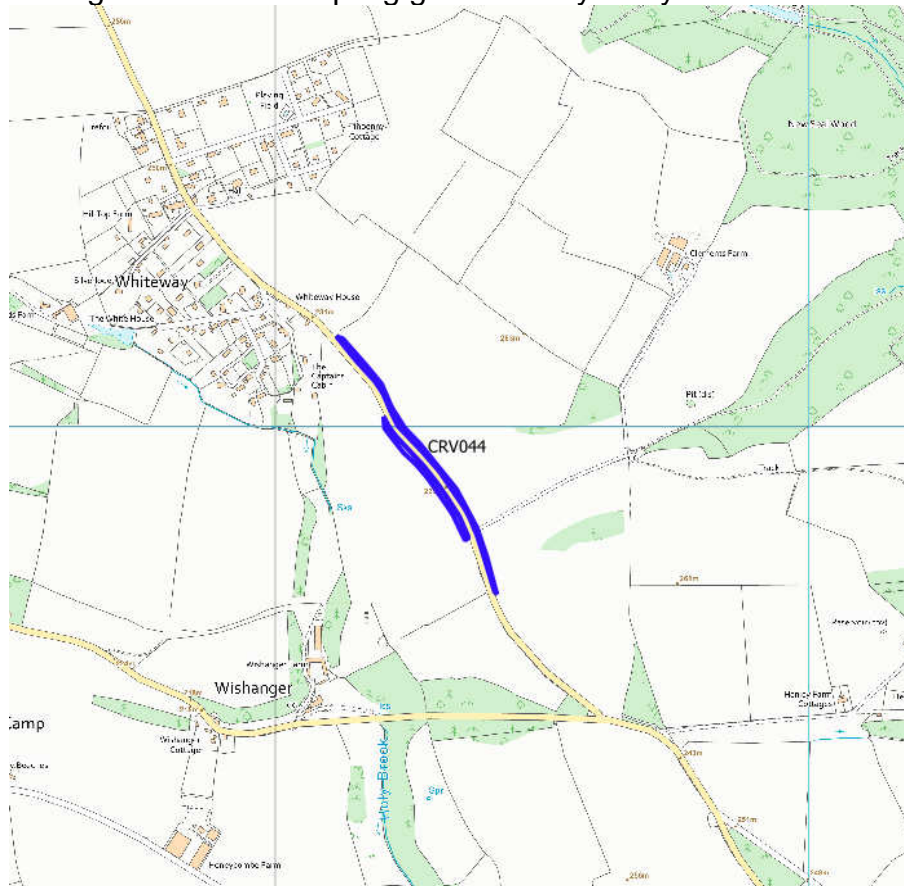
Site Code: CRV044 Grid Reference: 392120 210170 to 392420 209680
District Name: STROUD Parish: Miserden
Site Name: **WHITEWAY**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (16 species)
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Verges are delineated by posts and rails. These contain a lot of rank vegetation and encroaching scrub with abundant Hogweed (*Heracleum sphondylium*) and some Great Willowherb (*Epilobium hirsutum*). There are also sections of coarse calcareous grassland (NVC type CG5) supporting a moderate flora including locally abundant Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea scabiosa*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*), Common Restharrow (*Ononis repens*), Salad Burnet (*Sanguisorba minor*) and Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*).
Last surveyed 04/07/2019

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Occasional scrub control
Minimum – Cutting of scrub and sapling growth every five years



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Site Code: CRV045 Grid Reference: 396840 216160 to 396860 216010
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Coberley
Site Name: **COBERLEY COURT A435**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (19 species), 2. (Roman Snail) and 4. (Meadow Crane's-bill)
Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Steep bank of species-rich limestone grassland with adjacent rank grassland and scrub/woodland. These include some Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*) flower spikes, abundant Wild Marjoram (*Origanum vulgare*), frequent knapweeds (*Centaurea nigra* and *C.scabiosa*) and locally abundant Mouse-ear hawkweed (*Pilosella officinarum*). There is extensive scrub and sapling encroachment on rich grassland area that is under threat of being lost. Wooded area has Local Wildlife Site Roman snail (*Helix pomatia*). Occasional Meadow Crane's-bill (*Geranium pratense*) and on opposite verge as well.
Last surveyed 10/06/2021.

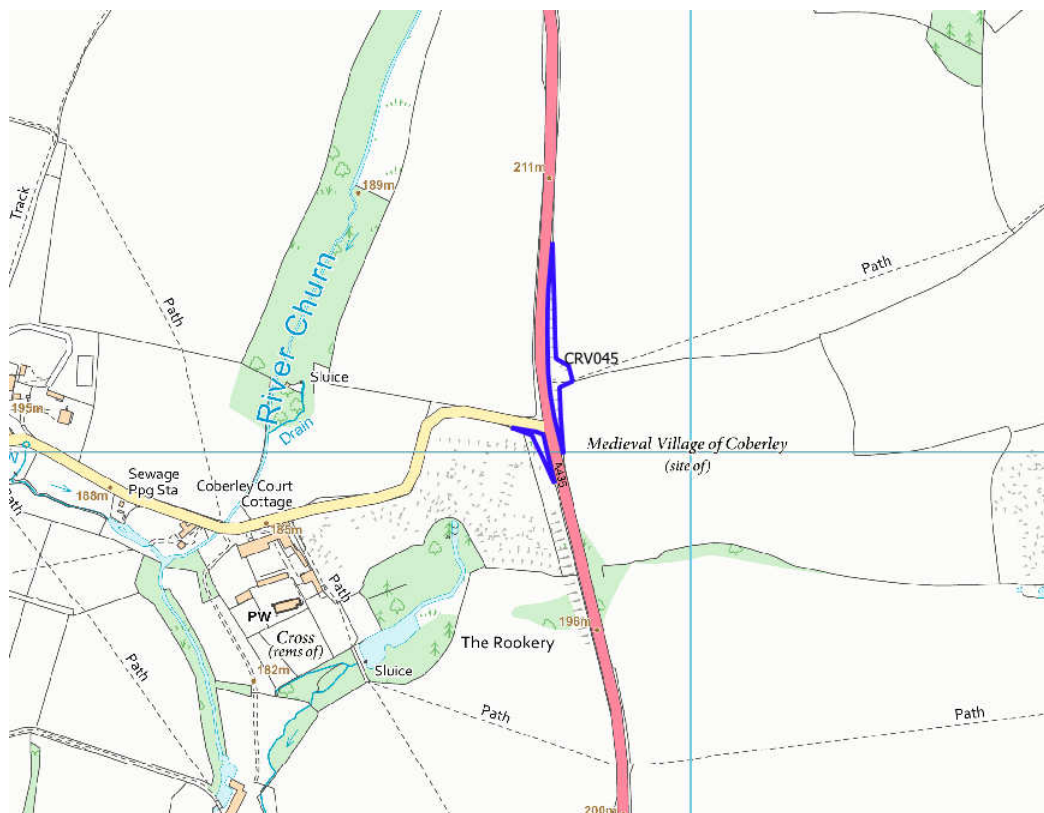
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland

UK Priority Species: Yellowhammer (*Emberiza citronella*), Small Blue (*Cupido minimus*) butterfly, Common Lizard (*Zootoca vivipara*)

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Cutting of scrub and sapling growth every five years

Minimum – Urgent scrub control.



Site Code: CRV046 Grid Reference: 397410 217650 to 397540 217760
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Coberley
Site Name: **SEVEN SPRINGS**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (13 on north verge and 9 on south verge) 3. (adjacent to an LWS)
Date Reviewed: 04/03/2016

Site Description and Notes:

Verge on north side of A436 now in effect woodland edge with only remnant limestone grassland flora. The southern verge is mainly species-poor grassland and tall herbs, also with localised patches of remnant calcareous grassland flora. There is still no sign of the previously recorded Musk Orchids (*Herminium monorchis*). Indicative species include Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Common Rock-rose (*Helianthemum nummularium*), Salad Burnet (*Sanguisorba minor*) and Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*).

Last surveyed 22/07/2015

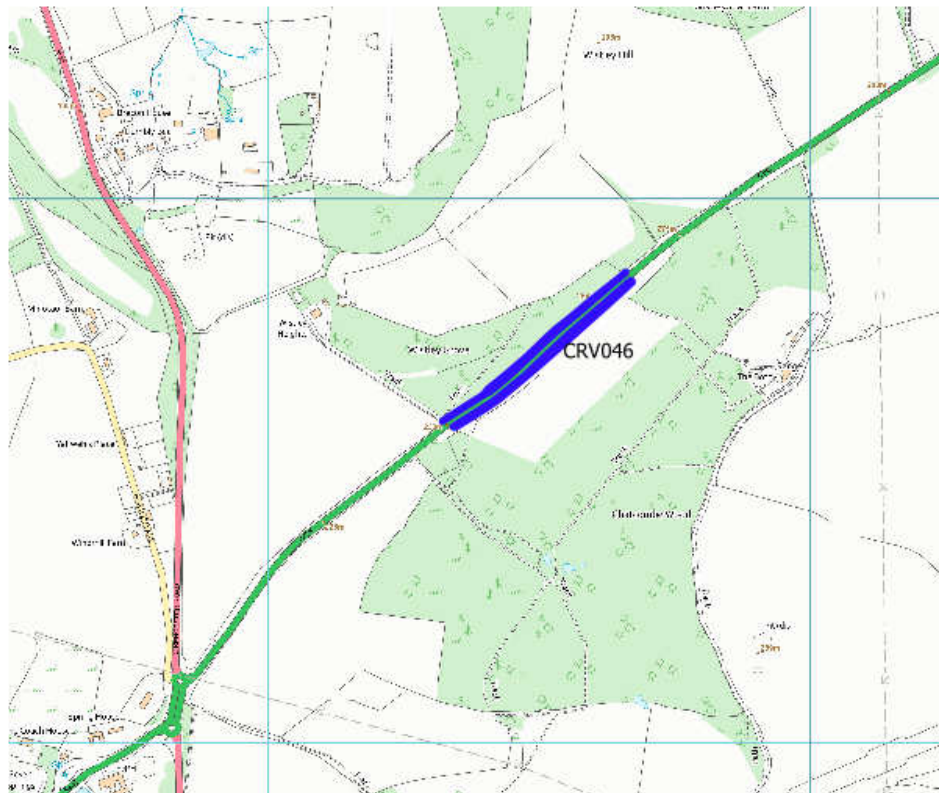
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland

UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Cut back sections of shading scrub and monitor for musk orchids

Minimum – Occasional mowing, raking and control of encroaching scrub.



Site Code: CRV047 Grid Reference: 396890 214540 to 397260 214160
 District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Coberley, Elkstone
 Site Name: **TOMTIT'S BOTTOM, COWLEY**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (34 species) & 2. (Roman Snail, Heath Snail & Slow worm)
 Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Northern verge still supports fine limestone grassland flora including a concentration of Fairy Flax (*Linum catharticum*), Wild Thyme (*Thymus polytrichus*) and Yellow-wort (*Blackstonia perfoliata*) near the roadside. One Bee Orchid (*Ophrys apifera*) and some Common Spotted-orchids (*Dactylorhiza fuchsii*). Local Wildlife Site (LWS) molluscs Heath Snail (*Helicella itala*) and Large Chrysalis Snail (*Abida secale*). A little Kidney Vetch (*Anthyllis vulneraria*) was also present. South verge extensively scrubbed over, with only remnant limestone grassland flora. Live specimens of Roman snails (*Helix pomatia*) seen in last survey. Last surveyed 10/06/2021.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
 UK Priority Species: Slow worm (*Anguis fragilis*)

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Extensive and regular cutting of encroaching scrub and some cutting of coarser grass areas needed.

Minimum – Cutting of scrub encroachment every five years



Site Code: CRV048 Grid Reference: 395787 197297 to 395972 197350
 District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Rodmarton
 Site Name: **HARESDOWN HILL**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (16 species)
 Date Reviewed: 04/03/2016

Site Description and Notes:

This is species rich CG5 grassland on a south facing bank on the north side of the A433 below a stone wall with arable and plantation beyond. There is also CG5 grassland in a disused quarry. There's some scrub encroachment below the plantation, mainly of Wild Privet (*Ligustrum vulgare*) otherwise it's a good diverse flora. Species include Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea scabiosa*), Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*) Wild Thyme (*Thymus polytrichus*) and Common Rock-rose (*Helianthemum nummularium*)
 Last surveyed 09/07/2015.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
 UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management (Ideal and Minimum):
 Occasional mowing, raking and control of encroaching scrub.



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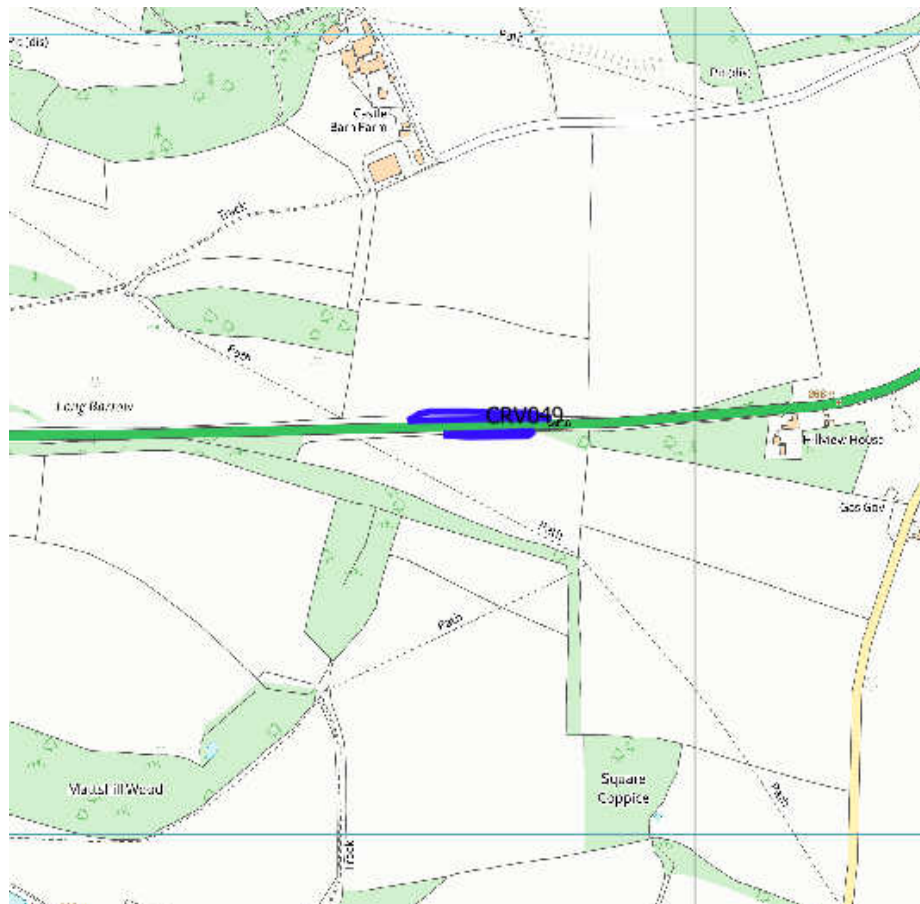
Site Code: CRV049 Grid Reference: 399631 218518 to 399811 218520
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Dowdeswell
Site Name: **KILKENNY**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (28 species)
Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Fine limestone flora with the LWS invertebrates Brown Argus (*Aricia agestis*) and Heath Snail (*Helicella itala*) spotted in 2006. Flora includes Yellow-wort (*Blackstonia perfoliata*), Quaking grass (*Briza media*), Dwarf Thistle (*Cirsium acaule*), a little Fairy Flax (*Linum catharticum*), locally abundant Wild Thyme (*Thymus polytrichus*) and Hairy Violet (*Viola hirta*). Extensive tree and scrub cutting had taken place prior to 2006 survey; however, this is encroaching again. Last surveyed: 16/08/2021.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Occasional re-cutting of scrub
Minimum – Cutting of scrub and sapling growth every five years



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Site Code: CRV050 Grid Reference: 391390 212240 to 391640 212170
District Name: STROUD Parish: Cranham
Site Name: **CLIMPERWELL FARM LANE**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (12 species)
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Narrow calcareous grassland (NVC type CG5) verge on north side of minor lane. Section to the east is mainly a hedgerow. Flora includes patches of Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea scabiosa*), Wild Basil (*Clinopodium vulgare*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*), Burnet-saxifrage (*Pimpinella saxifraga*) and Salad Burnet (*Sanguisorba minor*). Last surveyed 04/07/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: Common Lizard (*Zootoca vivipara*)

Suggested Management (Ideal and minimum): No specific management is required.



Site Code: CRV051 Grid Reference: 399069 220651 to 399048 221047
 District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Whittington
 Site Name: **COLGATE FARM, DOWDESWELL**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (19 species) and 6. (Cotswold Way)
 Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes:

Track to Colgate Farm, very narrow verges on west side (0.5 -1m) with scattered Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*) and Marjoram (*Origanum vulgare*). The east verge is wider to a species rich hedge and includes garden escapes.

The minor road to the west has very narrow, coarse grassy verges on both sides with scattered knapweeds (*Centaurea nigra* and *C.scabiosa*), Meadow Vetchling (*Lathyrus pratensis*) and Wild Basil (*Clinopodium vulgare*).

Last surveyed: 18/08/2021

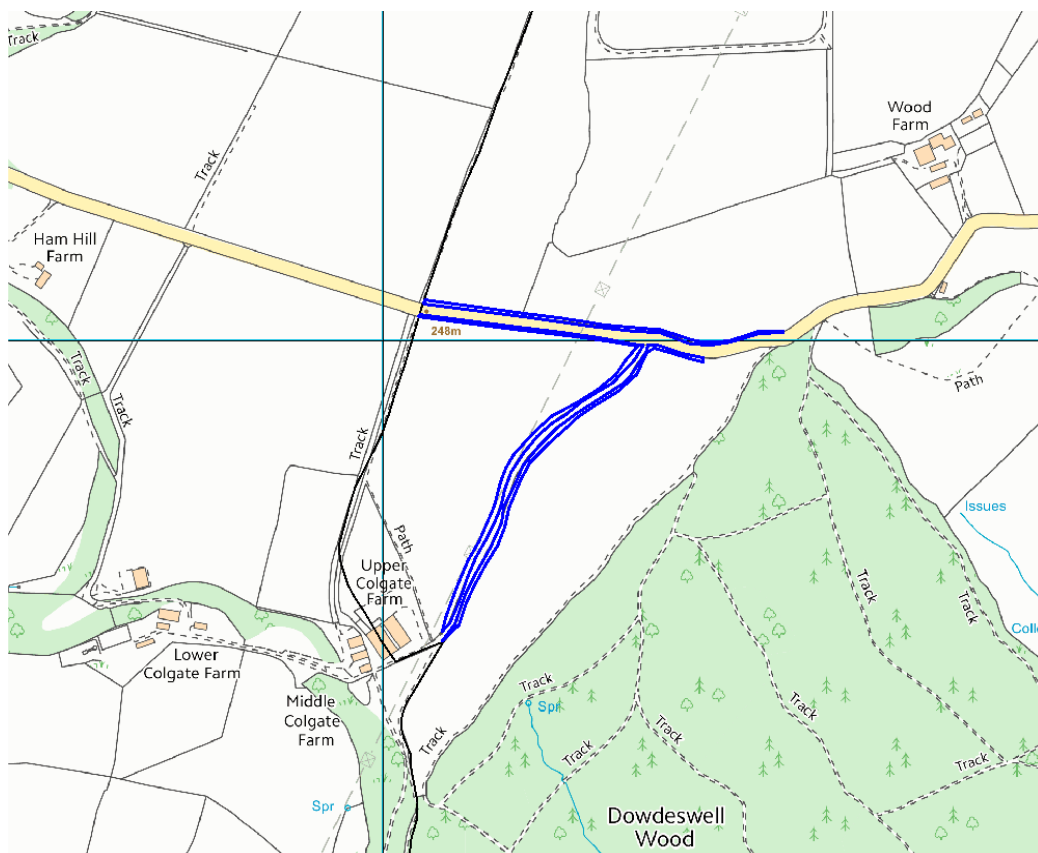
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland

UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management

Ideal- Occasional mowing, raking and control of encroaching scrub.

Minimum- Monitor scrub encroachment along minor road. Farm track mown by farmer.



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Site Code: CRV052 Grid Reference: 390949 220422 to 390984 220028
District Name: TEWKESBURY Parish: Badgeworth
Site Name: **BADGEWORTH, COLD POOL LANE**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (Strawberry Clover)

Date Reviewed: 14/12/2020

Site Description and Notes: Narrow verge with some open grassland at either end but sections heavily scrubbed over, including the ditch mentioned in the original citation. No Dyer's Greenweed (*Genista tinctoria*) or Corky-fruited Water-dropwort (*Oenanthe pimpinelloides*) are seen now. An additional wide verge to the north adjacent to another field was dominated by Tall Fescue (*Schedonorus arundinacea*). This included Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Meadow Vetchling (*Lathyrus pratensis*), Agrimony (*Agrimonia eupatoria*) and Common Bird's-foot trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*). Although rather species-poor now [it doesn't meet Criteria 1]; there were small amounts of Common Fleabane (*Pulicaria dysenterica*) and Strawberry Clover (*Trifolium fragiferum*). Last surveyed 20/08/2020.

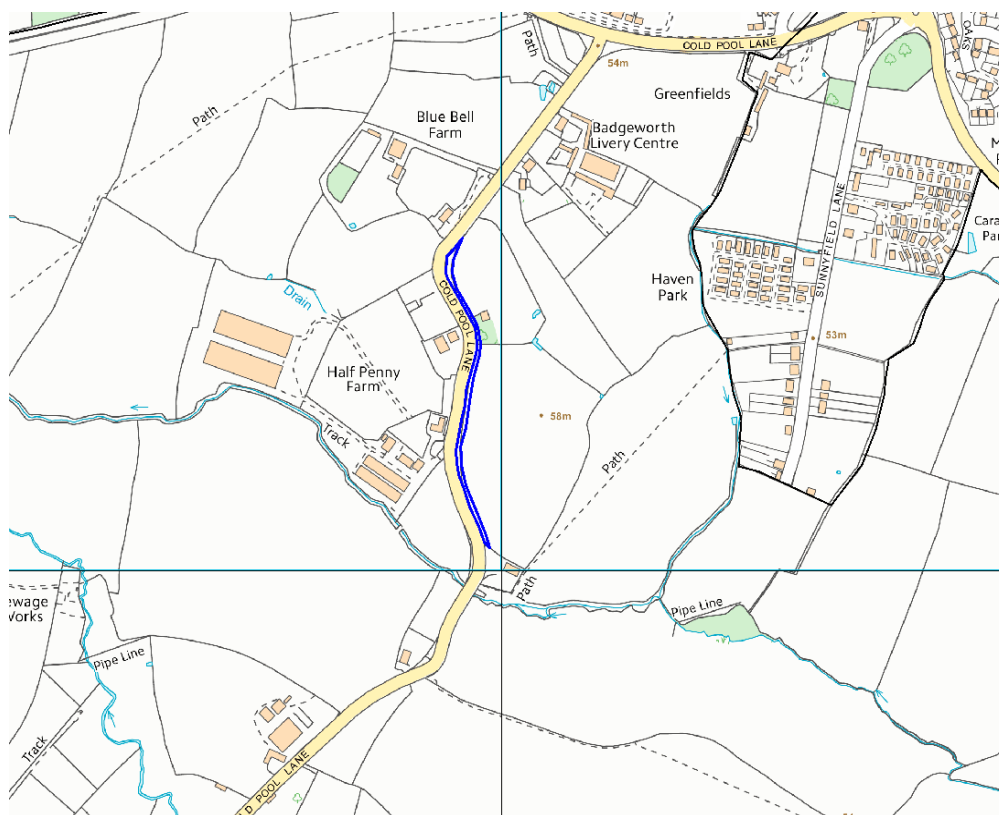
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland meadow

UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Scrub control needed urgently

Minimum – Cutting of scrub encroachment every five years



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Site Code: CRV053 Grid Reference: 400290 205760 to 400340 205790
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Daglingworth
Site Name: **DAGLINGWORTH**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (24 species), 4. (Orchids) and 6.
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

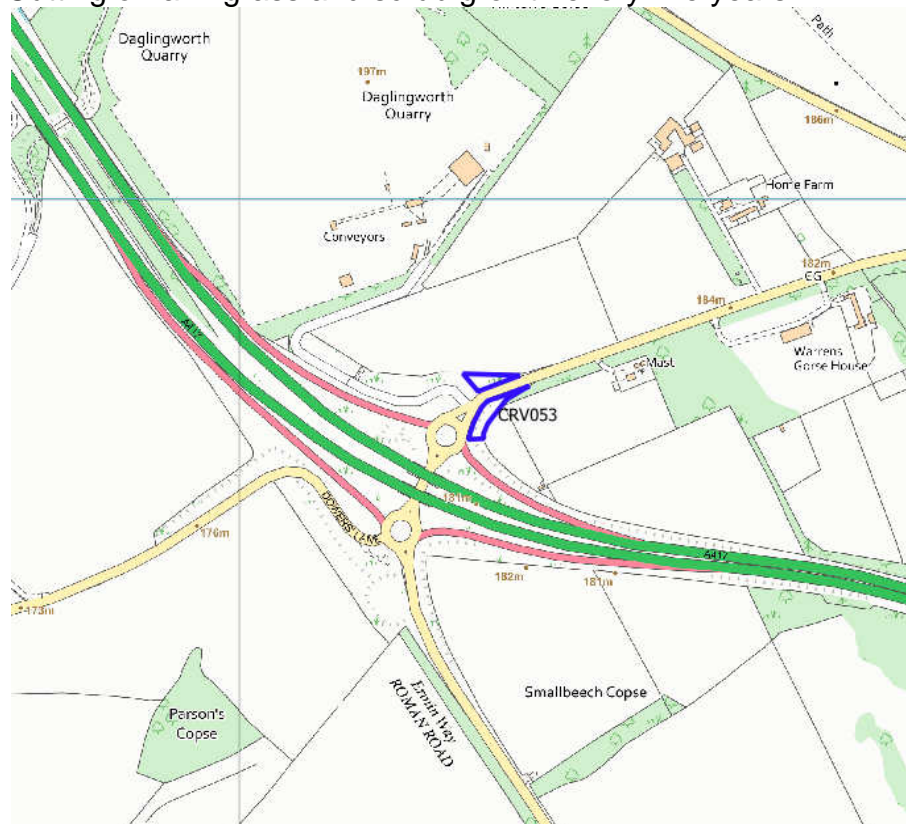
Site Description and Notes: Species-rich verges and banks (including scree slope) to north and south of minor road. This grades to rank grassland (NVC type MG1), scrub and semi-improved grassland. Rich flora included abundant Pyramidal Orchids (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*), Kidney Vetch (*Anthyllis vulneraria*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*), Common Restharrow (*Ononis repens*) and Yellow-wort (*Blackstonia perfoliata*). A little Yellow rattle (*Rhinanthus minor*) also recorded. Part of southern bank was roped off to prevent early mowing of orchids. 50+ Bee Orchids (*Ophrys apifera*) in 2008 but not been seen in a while.
Last surveyed 02/08/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Occasional cutting (every 2-3 years) and raking of rank grass growth and scrub encroachment

Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



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Site Code: CRV054 Grid Reference: 406901 200253 to 407105 200108
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Driffield
Site Name: **HARNHILL**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (*Populus nigra* ssp. *Betulifolia*)
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Significantly pruned mature Black-poplar (*Populus nigra* ssp. *betulifolia*) in species-rich hedge with ditch and rank grass/tall herb verge.
Last surveyed 02/08/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: Hedgerow
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Avoid damage to tree roots. No other specific management required.
Minimum – No specific management is required



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Site Code: CRV055 Grid Reference: 409322 201709 to 409504 201826
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Ampney St Mary
Site Name: **AMPNEY ST MARY**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (9 species)
Date Reviewed: 04/03/2016

Site Description and Notes:

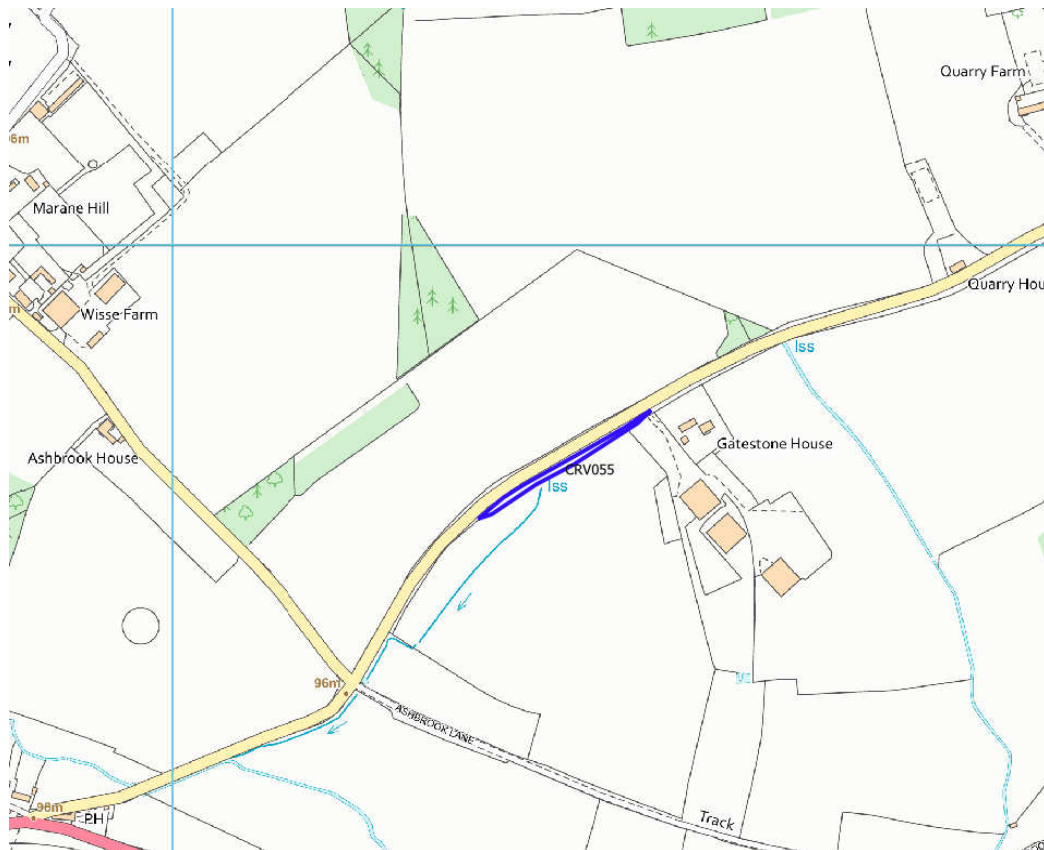
About 200m stretch of wide verge on south side of minor road. Two Wild Liquorice (*Astragalus glycyphyllos*) plants seen near western edge of verge. Otherwise there is a moderate flora including Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea scabiosa*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*) and Cowslip (*Primula veris*).
Last surveyed 30/06/2015

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland

UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management (Ideal and minimum):

Regularly mown verges would help control scrub encroachment from adjacent tall hedge, but this may not favour Wild Liquorice.



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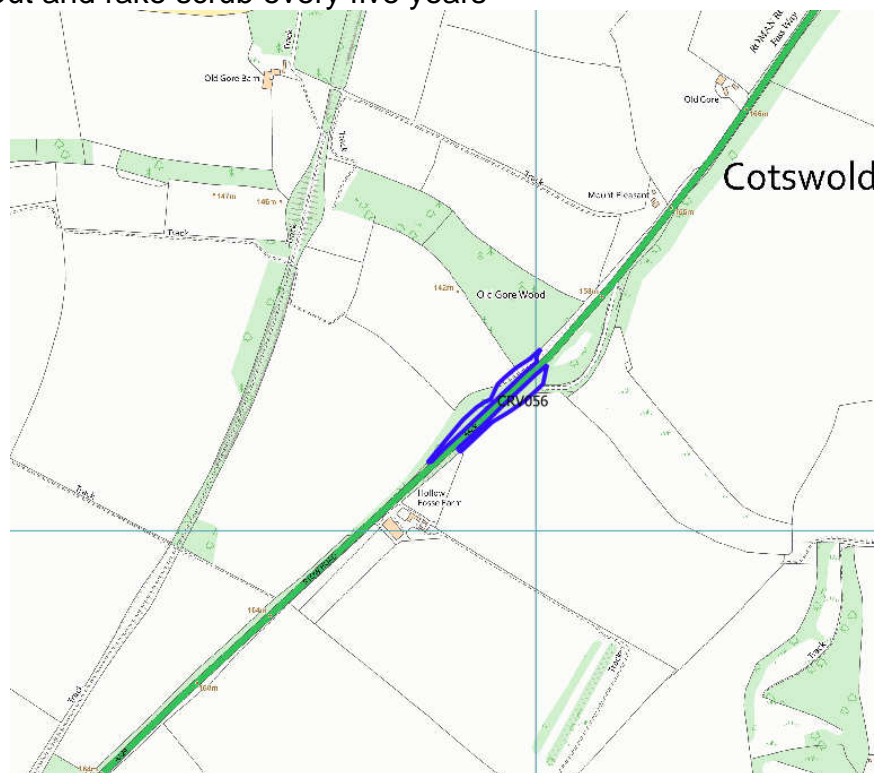
Site Code: CRV056 Grid Reference: 405840 208155 to 406005 208318
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Coln St Dennis, North Cerney
Site Name: **HOLLOW FOSSE and FOSS WAY**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (17 species) and 3. (adjacent local wildlife site)
Date Reviewed: 18/01/2019

Site Description and Notes: Steep bank with very fine limestone grassland flora and Local Wildlife Site molluscs Heath Snail (*Helicella itala*) and Large Chrysalis Snail (*Abida secale*). Recent tree/scrub cutting in 2006 but further needed. Narrow verges especially on the western verge. Indicator species includes frequent Burnet-saxifrage and Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*). Meadow Crane's-bill (*Geranium pratense*), Common Rockrose (*Helianthemum nummularium*) and Wild Basil (*Clinopodium vulgare*) also present. Many Pyramidal Orchids (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*) on the eastern verge
Last surveyed 17/07/2018.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: Dingy Skipper (*Erynnis tages*), Common Lizard (*Zootoca vivipara*), Duke of Burgundy Fritillary (*Hamearis lucina*), Small Heath (*Coenonympha pamphilus*) & Cinnabar (*Tyria jacobaeae*) on neighbouring Local Wildlife Site, Hollow Fosse Embankment

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Cut encroaching scrub every three years
Minimum – Cut and rake scrub every five years



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Site Code: CRV057 Grid Reference: 404890 207250 to 404652 206885
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Ampney Crucis, North Cerney
Site Name: **AMPNEY DOWN**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (26 species), 2. (Common Lizard, Heath Snail) and 3.
Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Fine limestone grassland flora on wide eastern verge and on west side of A429. Generally coarse to tussocky with areas of short rabbit grazed turf. Scattered to locally frequent scrub is also present. Rich flora includes Harebell (*Campanula rotundifolium*), Dwarf Thistle (*Cirsium acaule*), Wild Basil (*Clinopodium vulgare*), Dropwort (*Filipendula vulgaris*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), Common Restharrow (*Ononis repens*), Cowslip (*Primula veris*), Horseshoe Vetch (*Hippocrepis comosa*) and Kidney Vetch (*Anthyllis vulneraria*). Local Wildlife Site mollusc Heath Snail (*Helicella itala*) has been seen in the past and the protected Adonis Blue (*Polyommatus bellargus*) in 2021. Last surveyed 26/08/2021.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: Common Lizard (*Zootoca vivipara*)

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub

Minimum – Cutting and raking of grass. Removal of scrub and sapling growth every five years



Site Code: CRV058 Grid Reference: 402068 206050 to 402924 205802
 District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Baunton
 Site Name: **PERROTT'S BROOK**
 Qualifying Criteria: 1. (15 species), 2. (Yellow Bird's-nest) and 3. (Adjacent to LWS)
 Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes:

Wide verges both sides of welsh way from the junction with white way. This is mainly rank grass and tall herb MK1 with frequent/abundant Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*) and Knapweeds (*Centaurea nigra* & *C. scabiosa*). Meadow Crane's-bill (*Geranium pratense*) and Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*) are locally frequent. The Perrott's Brook end consists of beech woodland, derelict wall and a bank. There is a small population of UK Priority Species Yellow Bird's-nest (*Monotropa hypopitys*) at this end. A maximum of 12 plants were recorded on the 2015 visit.

Last surveyed 26/08/2021

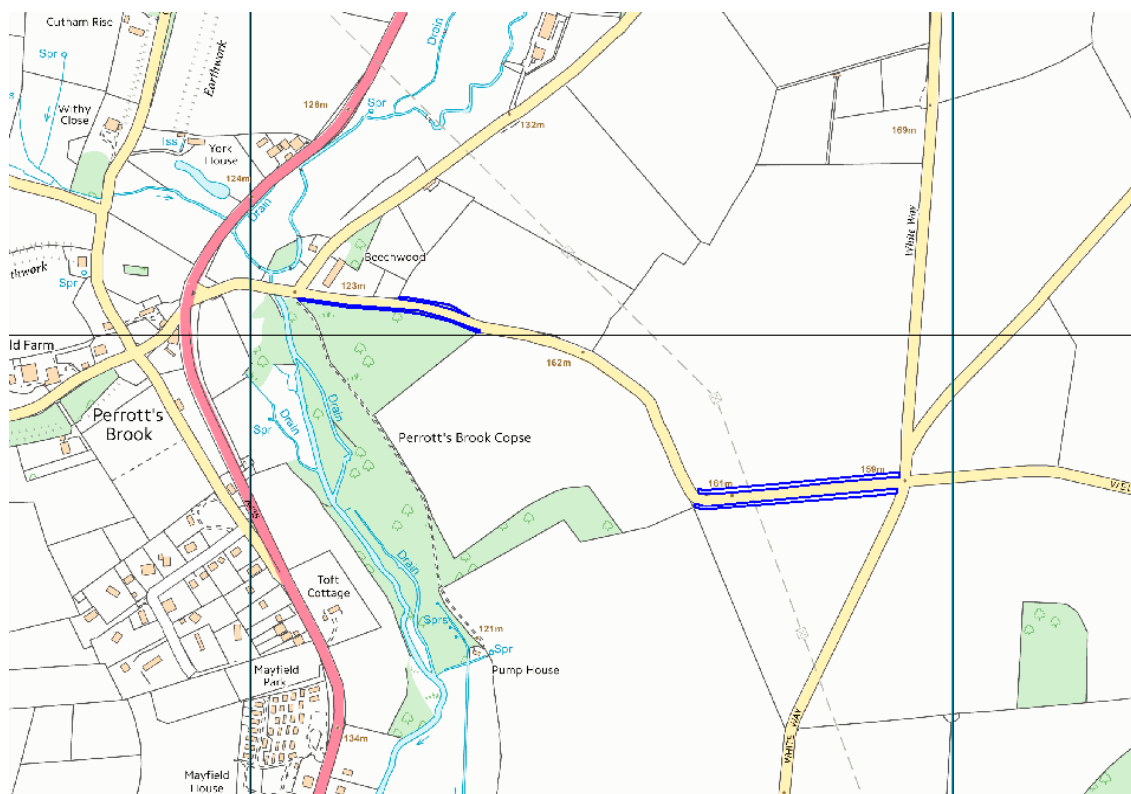
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland, lowland mixed deciduous woodland

UK Priority Species: Yellowhammer (*Emberiza citrinella*) Yellow Bird's-nest (*Monotropa hypopitys*)

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Occasional cutting of rank grass along verge from white way junction.

Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



Site Code: CRV059 Grid Reference: 403980 215410 to 404880 215170
 District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Withington
 Site Name: **CASSEY COMPTON**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (19 species)
 Date Reviewed: 23/01/2019

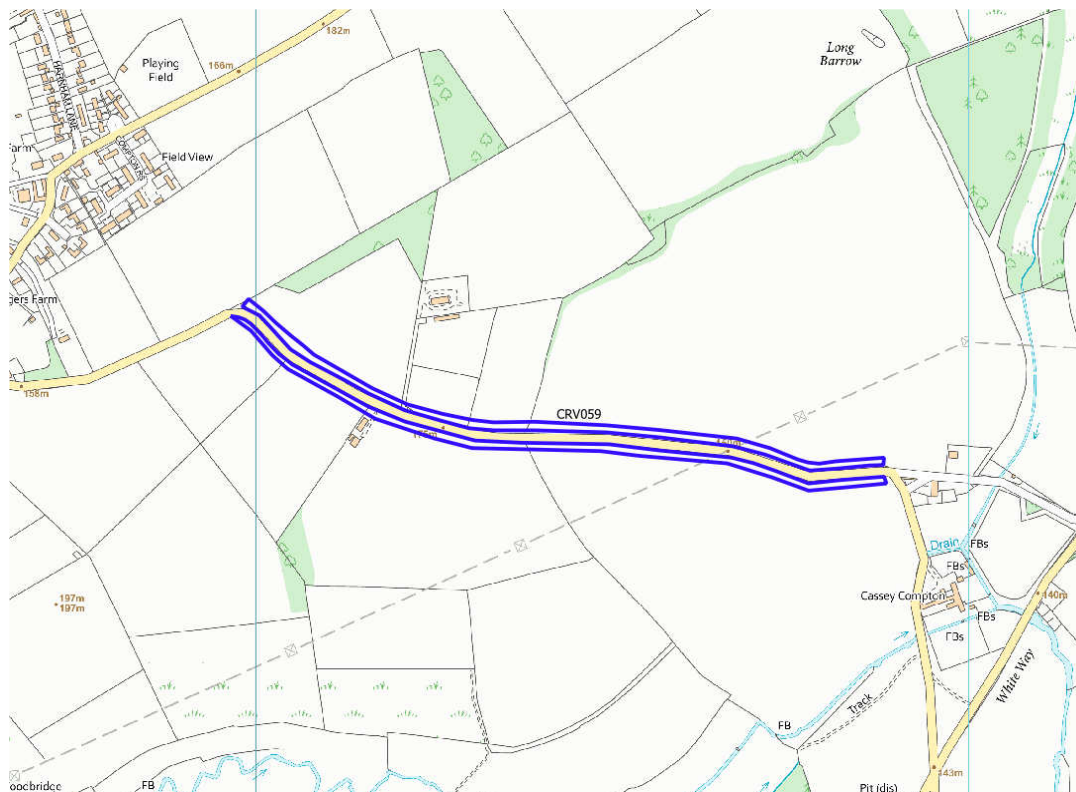
Site Description and Notes: Narrow banked verges along both sides of a minor road. Good limestone grassland flora especially halfway along the northern verge, plus coarse grassland and scrub encroachment. Flora includes Harebell (*Campanula rotundifolium*), Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea scabiosa*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*) and Salad Burnet (*Sanguisorba minor*), Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*) Wild Basil (*Clinopodium vulgare*) and Marjoram (*Origanum vulgare*). Sections recently cut with taller Hogweed & Nettles towards the back. Some scrub control also needed.

Last surveyed 12/07/2018.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
 UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub and mowing of areas not regularly cut
 Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



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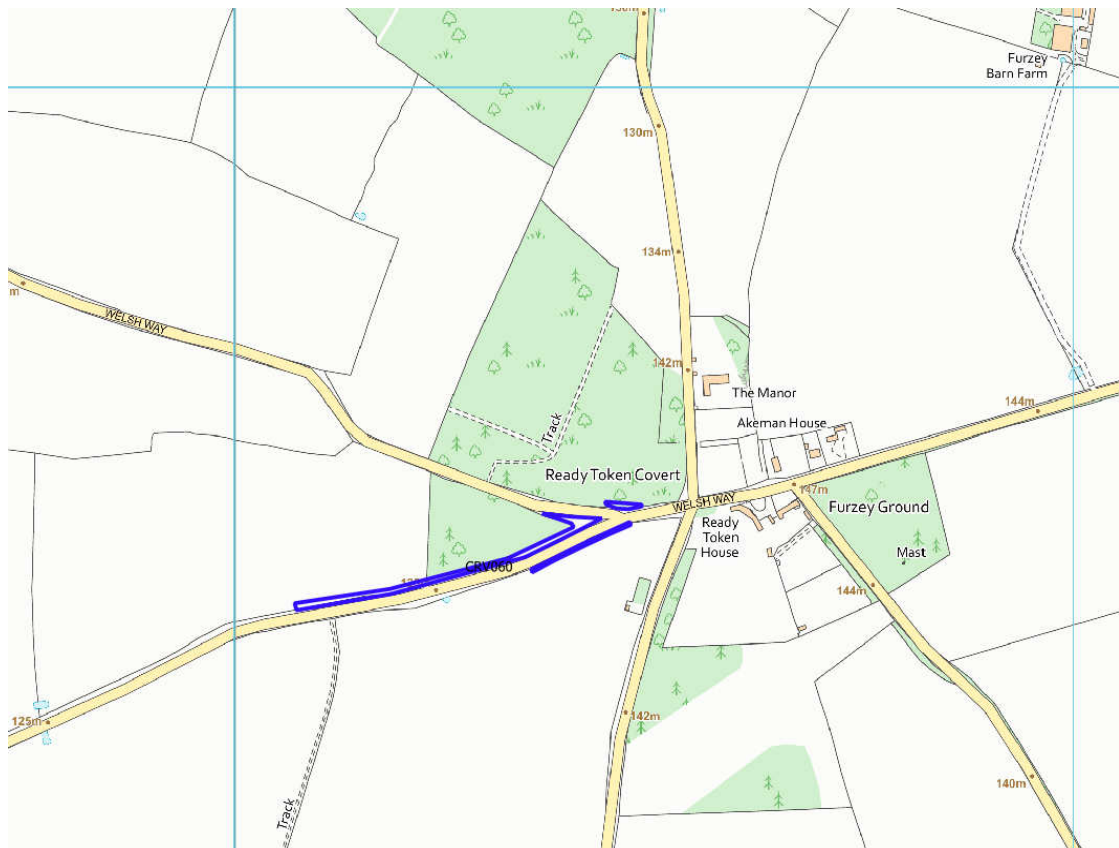
Site Code: CRV060 Grid Reference: 410071 204391 to 410469 204508
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Ampney St. Mary, Barnsley
Site Name: **READY TOKEN (West)**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (14 species)
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Group of verges around junction with rough grass along the western section, a short-mown stretch, and area of fairly species rich rough ground at the eastern end. Southern verge has become dominated by Traveller's-Joy (*Clematis vitalba*). Good flora includes Salad Burnet (*Sanguisorba minor*), Wild Basil (*Clinopodium vulgare*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*) and Common Restharrow (*Ononis repens*). Last surveyed 02/08/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: Common Lizard (*Zootoca vivipara*)

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub and mowing of areas not regularly cut
Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



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Site Code: CRV061 Grid Reference: 411364 204751 to 412262 204833
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Bibury, Quennington
Site Name: **READY TOKEN (East)**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (Liquorice Piercer Moth)
Date Reviewed: 19/04/2018

Site Description and Notes:

Delimited either end by 'Experimental Road Verge' signs. Liquorice Piercer Moth (*Grapholita pallifrontana*) seen in 2016 on Wild Liquorice (*Astragalus glycyphyllos*) at the eastern end. Other plant species include Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), Wild Basil (*Clinopodium vulgare*) and Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*).

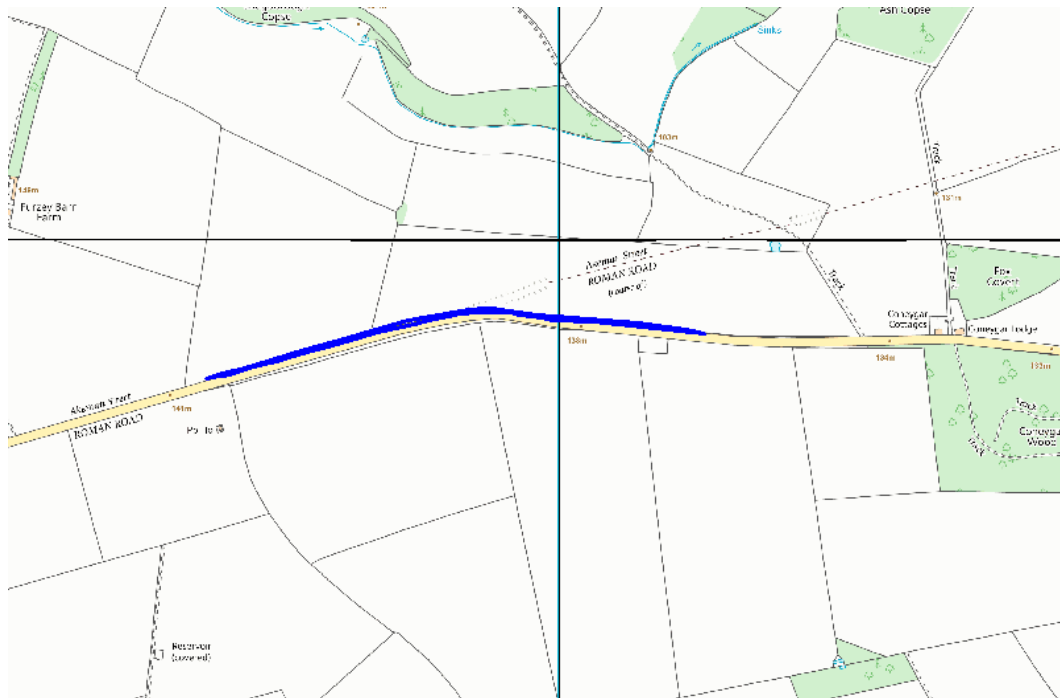
Last surveyed 04/07/2017.

UK Priority Habitats: None

UK Priority Species: Liquorice Piercer Moth (*Grapholita pallifrontana*)

Suggested Management:

Ideal & Minimum - Occasional mowing, raking and control of encroaching scrub.



Site Code: CRV062 Grid Reference: 416880 206260 to 417408 206440
 District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Coln St. Aldwyns, Hatherop
 Site Name: **EASTLEACH (AKEMAN STREET)**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (18 species) and 2. (Liquorice Piercer Moth)
 Date Reviewed: 14/12/2020

Site Description and Notes: Wide verges on both sides of Akeman St, supporting a moderately rich flora including occasional/frequent Wild Liquorice (*Astragalus glycyphyllos*), Agrimony (*Agrimonia eupatoria*), Glaucous Sedge (*Carex flacca*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*), Cowslip (*Primula veris*) and Yellow-rattle (*Rhinanthus minor*). Species-rich hedge to north with Midland Hawthorn (*Crataegus laevigata*), Dog's Mercury (*Mercurialis perennis*) and locally abundant Bluebell (*Hyacinthoides non-scripta*). Long sections of south verge are rank grass/tall herb with poor gappy hedge. Liquorice Piercer Moth found in several places on Wild Liquorice in 2015 & 2016. Last surveyed extensively: 26/07/2020.

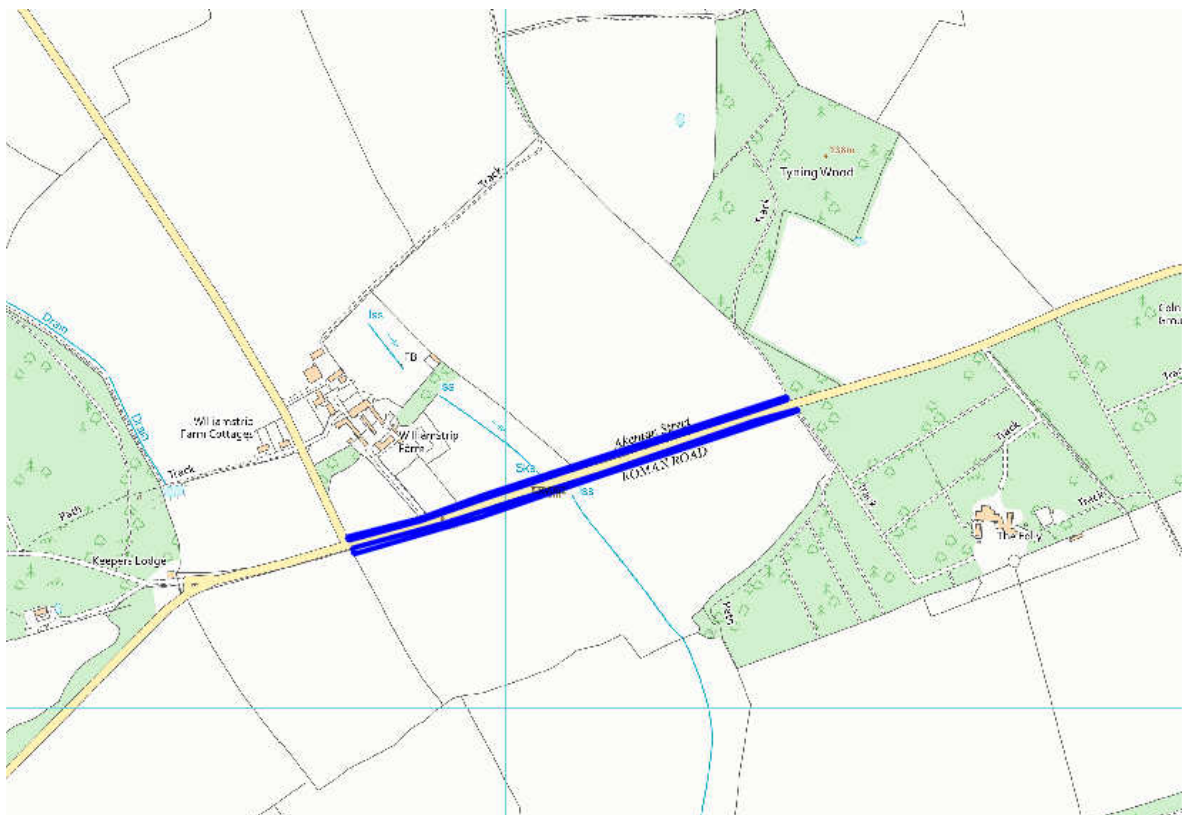
UK Habitat: Lowland calcareous grassland and Hedgerow

UK Priority Species: Liquorice Piercer Moth (*Grapholita pallifrontana*)

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub and mowing of areas not regularly cut

Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



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Site Code: CRV063 Grid Reference: 413920 219000 to 414140 218680
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Cold Aston
Site Name: **COLD ASTON 'A'**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (16 species), 3. (local wildlife site), 4. (*Geranium pratense*) and 6
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Verges on both sides of minor road supporting stretches of species-rich calcareous grassland but much of verge rank grass with scrub/tall herb encroachment. Flora includes Wild Basil (*Clinopodium vulgare*), Black Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), Meadow Crane's-bill (*Geranium pratense*), Common Restharrow (*Ononis repens*) and Burnet-saxifrage (*Pimpinella saxifraga*). Western end adjoins Broadwater Bottom Local Wildlife Site. Last surveyed 23/07/2019.

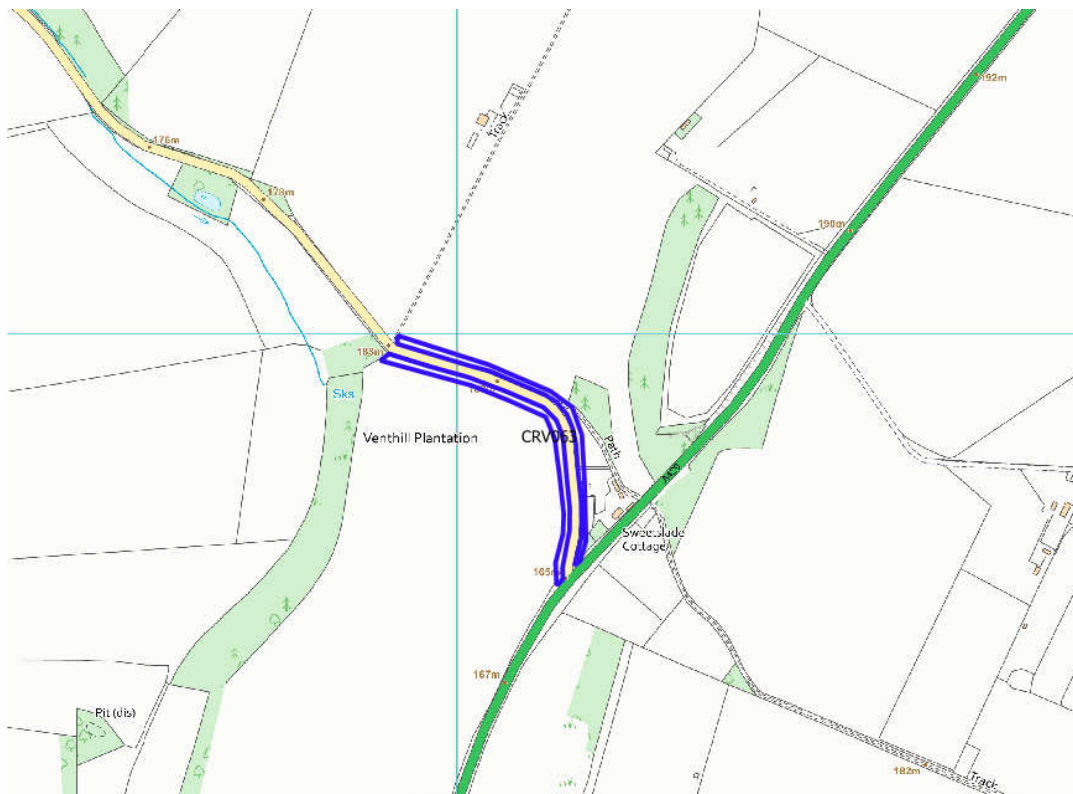
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland

UK Priority Species: Yellowhammer (*Emberiza citronella*), Bullfinch (*Pyrrhula pyrrhula*)

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Annual to occasional cutting and raking of rank grass growth and scrub encroachment

Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



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Site Code: CRV064 Grid Reference: 415030 216740 to 414760 216430
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Farmington
Site Name: **FARMINGTON (FURZEHILL WOOD)**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (25 species) and 3. (local wildlife site)
Date Reviewed: 23/01/2019

Site Description and Notes: Narrow verges and banks on both sides of a minor road. Original CRV section is overgrown, species-poor woodland edge. To the north-east are open banks of species-rich grassland on both sides, adjoining Furzehill Wood Local Wildlife Site. Locally abundant flora includes Quaking-grass (*Briza media*), Wild Basil (*Clinopodium vulgare*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), Common Rock-rose (*Helianthemum nummularium*), Meadow Oat-grass (*Helictotrichon pratense*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*), Zigzag Clover (*Trifolium medium*), Hairy Violet (*Viola hirta*) and Salad Burnet (*Sanguisorba minor*). Bramble and Hogweed encroaching at the northern end. Swathes of False Brome present on the banks. Last surveyed: 23/07/2018.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management (Ideal and minimum): Cutting of any scrub/sapling encroachment every five years



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Site Code: CRV065 Grid Reference: 414320 220370 to 415150 220700
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Cold Aston
Site Name: **COLD ASTON 'C'**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (18 species), 4. (*Geranium pratense*) and 6.
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: c850m verges along both sides of minor road, with wide verges, narrow banks and species-rich hedges. A fine calcareous flora, although much of the verge supports rank grassland (NVC type MG1) and tall herb. Flora includes Harebell (*Campanula rotundifolium*), Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea scabiosa*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*), Wild Basil (*Clinopodium vulgare*), Common Restharrow (*Ononis repens*) and Burnet-saxifrage (*Pimpinella saxifraga*). Last surveyed 21/07/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland and Hedgerow

UK Priority Species: Yellowhammer (*Emberiza citronella*), Slow-worm (*Anguis fragilis*)

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Annual to occasional mowing and raking of grass

Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and any scrub growth every five years



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Site Code: CRV066 Grid Reference: 415130 227790 to 415545 226456
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Donnington, Swell
Site Name: **CONDICOTE LANE**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (13 species), 2. & 4. (*Onobrychis viciifolia*) and 6.
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Fine limestone grassland flora in sections along the public bridle path (Ryknild St). Other sections support rank grassland, tall herb and scrub. Flora includes Purple Milk-vetch (*Astragalus danicus*), Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), frequent Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea scabiosa*) and Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*), Harebell (*Campanula rotundifolia*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), Common Rock-rose (*Helianthemum nummularium*), Sainfoin (*Onobrychis viciifolia*), Common Restharrow (*Ononis repens*), Crested Hair-grass (*Koeleria macrantha*) and Salad Burnet (*Sanguisorba minor*). The Near Threatened Dwarf Spurge (*Euphorbia exigua*) and Vulnerable Narrow-fruited Cornsalad (*Valerianella dentata*) recorded at the northern tip by the county plant recorders in 2007. Last surveyed 30/06/2019.

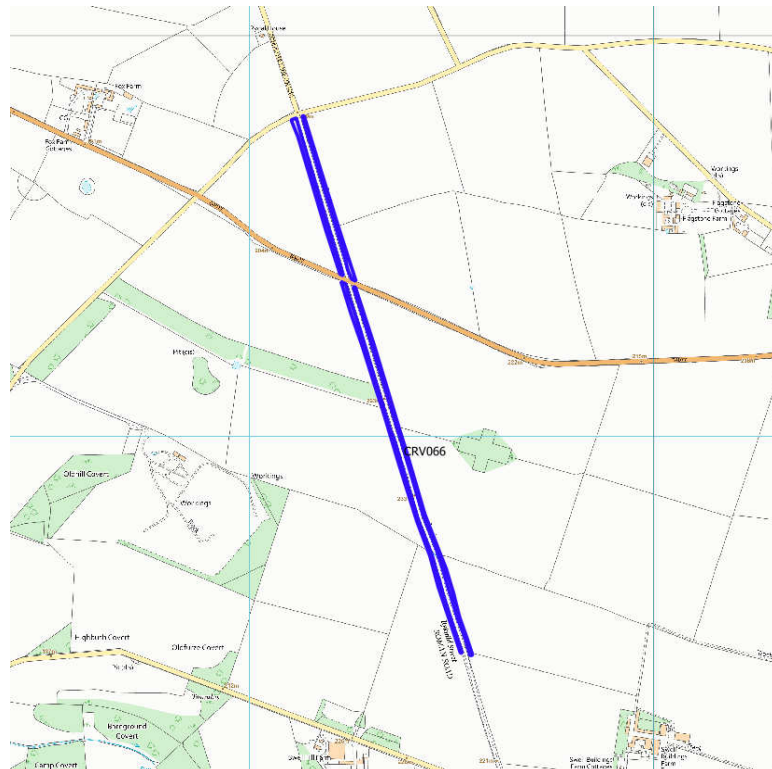
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland

UK Priority Species: Purple Milk-vetch (*Astragalus danicus*) – Old record

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Extensive scrub cutting urgently needed from remaining unimproved grassland areas

Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



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Site Code: CRV067 Grid Reference: 409868 226627 to 410900 227320
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Temple Guiting
Site Name: **KINETON (LEIGH WOOD)**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (15 species), 3. and 4. (*Geranium pratense*)
Date Reviewed: 23/01/2019

Site Description and Notes: Both verges of minor road run through heavily wooded stretches with sections of unimproved grassland, including abundant Meadow Crane's-bill (*Geranium pratense*) plus frequent Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*) and occasional Wild Basil (*Clinopodium vulgare*). Had been cut in several places in 2018. More botanically rich at northern and southern ends of the CRV. Knapweed Broomrape (*Orobanche elatior*), previously recorded, was not seen in 2007. It adjoins Leigh Wood Local Wildlife Site. Sections of unimproved verge continue eastwards to the road junction. Last surveyed: 27/07/2018.

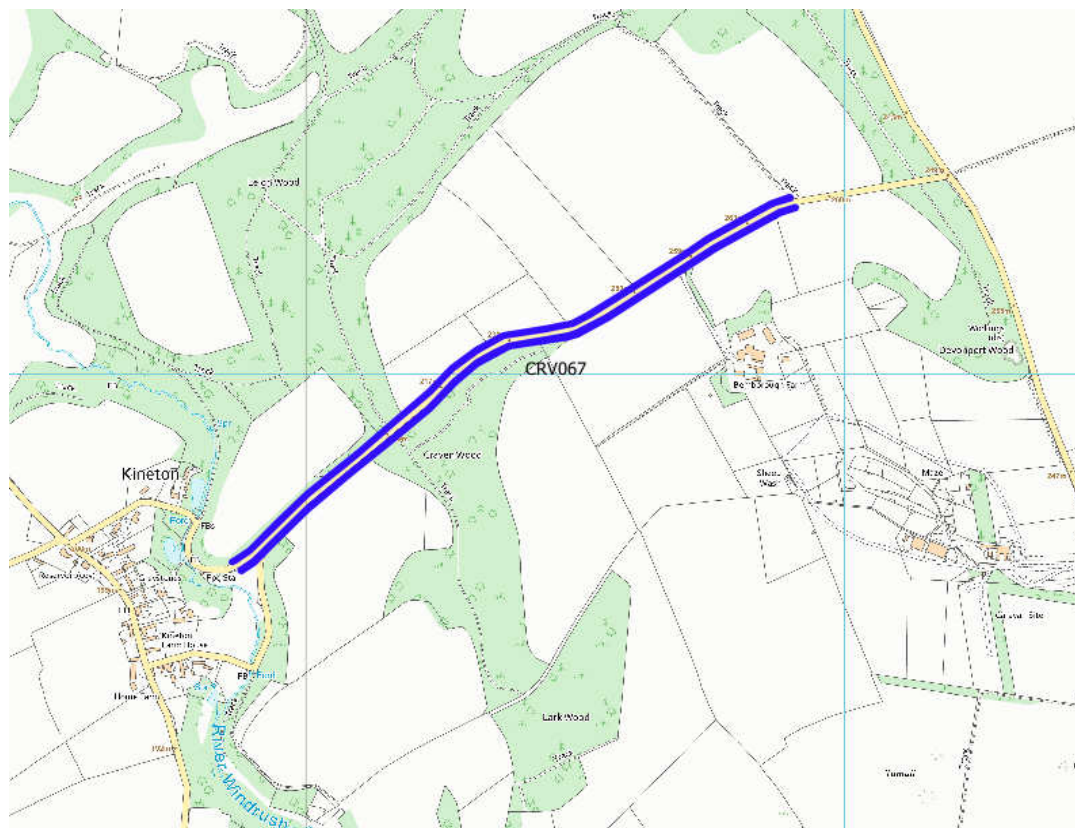
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland and Lowland mixed deciduous woodland

UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub and tree saplings

Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



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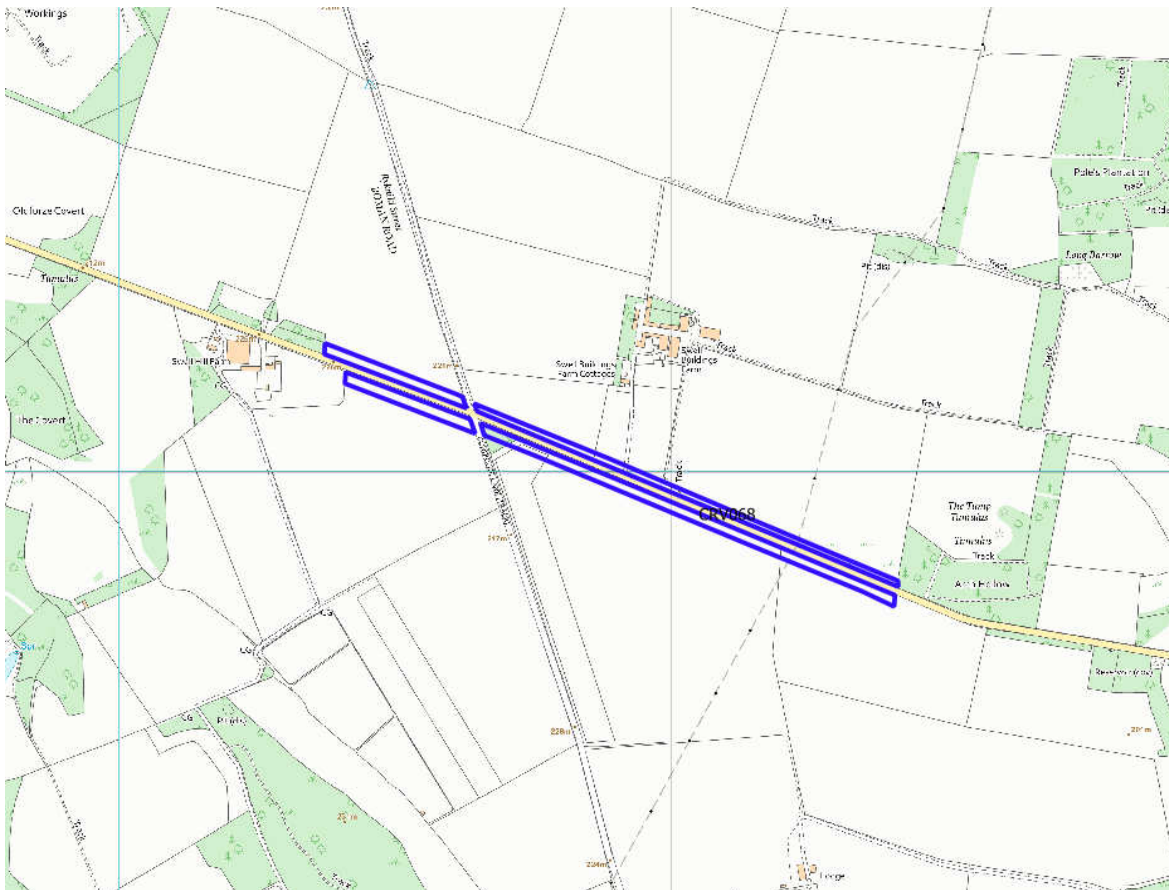
Site Code: CRV068 Grid Reference: 415370 226196 to 416405 225774
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Swell
Site Name: **LOWER SWELL**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (18 species) and 5.
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: About a 1km section with verges along both sides quite deep in places, supporting good sections of unimproved grassland plus scrub, tall herb and woodland. Locally abundant Common Rock-rose (*Helianthemum nummularium*) and Meadow Crane's-bill (*Geranium pratense*) plus frequent Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*) and Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*). Rare incidences of Dropwort (*Filipendula vulgaris*) also. Similar verges noted further west along the road.
Last surveyed 26/07/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: Yellowhammer (*Emberiza citrinella*)

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Verges need additional mowing and scrub control
Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



Site Code: CRV069 Grid Reference: 396744 197412 to 396825 197150
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Kemble
Site Name: **LIMEKILN HILL**
Qualifying Criteria: 1. (12 species)
Date Reviewed: 04/03/2016

Site Description and Notes:

Narrow verge (mainly 0.5 - 1m with some 2-3m bays) on east side of road between railway bridge and track to Jackaments Bottom farm. The verge consists of coarse CG4 with encroaching/overhanging hazel, bramble, and clematis. Calcareous grassland flora includes Common Rock-rose (*Helianthemum nummularium*) and Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*).

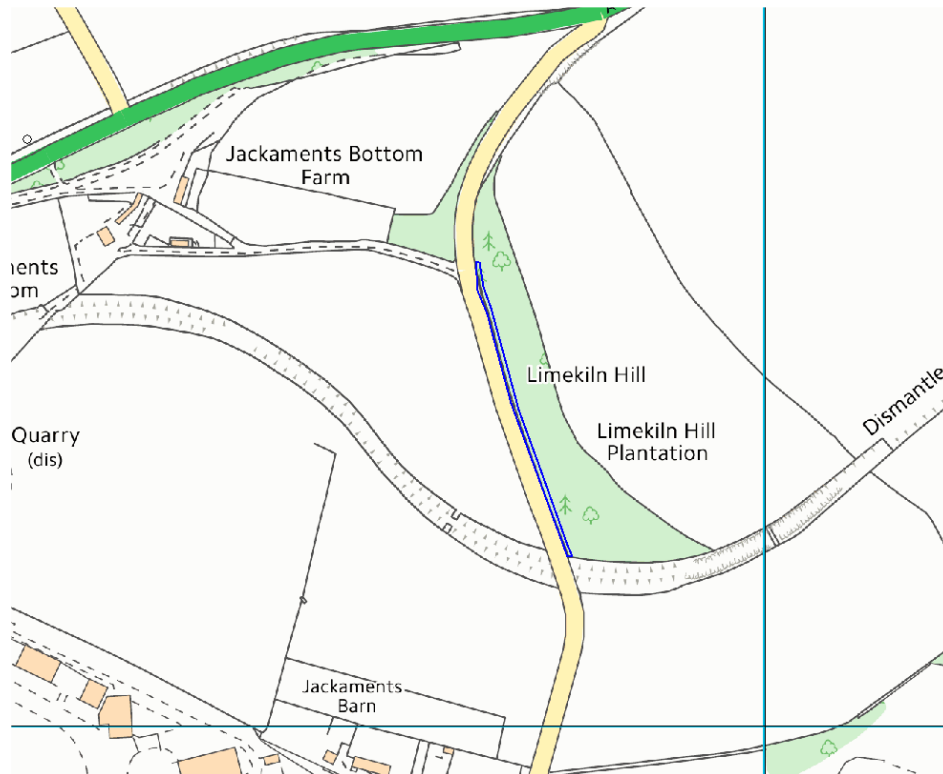
Last surveyed 09/07/2015.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland

UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management (Ideal and Minimum):

Urgently needs scrub cutting back to prevent complete loss of grassland.



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Site Code: CRV070 Grid Reference: 413647 236293 to 413371 236092
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Chipping Campden
Site Name: **CHIPPING CAMPDEN (B4081)**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (*Myrrhis odorata*)
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Secondary woodland flora including 23 Sweet Cicely (*Myrrhis odorata*) plants at the southern end of verge on the south side of the road.
Last surveyed 26/07/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: None
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management (Ideal and minimum): No specific management is required.



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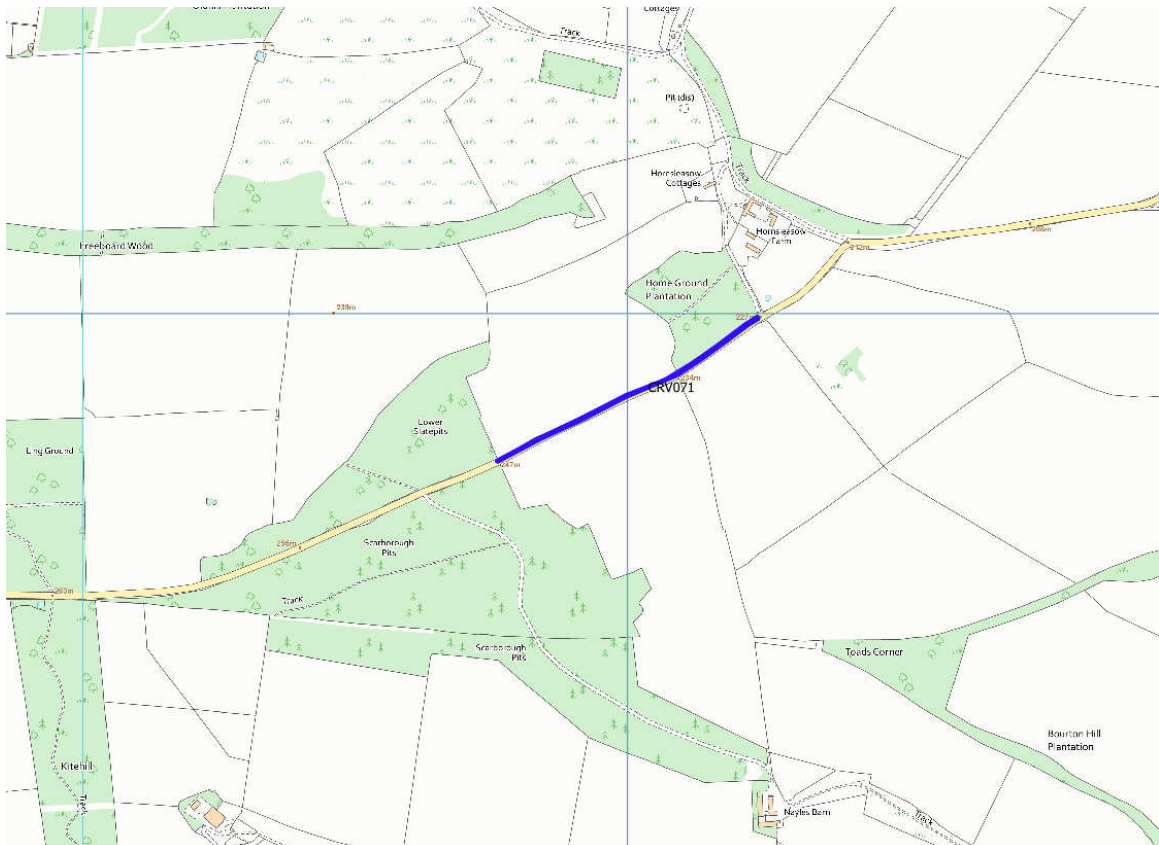
Site Code: CRV071 Grid Reference: 411760 231727 to 412240 231995
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Cutsdean
Site Name: **HORNSLEASOW**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (11 species)
Date Reviewed: 14/12/2020

Site Description and Notes: Narrow verge with extensive scrub encroachment. Flora includes frequent Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea scabiosa*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), Pepper-saxifrage (*Silvaum silaus*), occasional Common Rock-rose (*Helianthemum nummularium*) as well as a little Hairy Violet (*Viola hirta*). Last surveyed 10/07/2020.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management (Ideal and minimum): Cutting of any scrub/sapling encroachment every five years



Site Code: CRV072 Grid Reference: 354720 196411 to 354887 196401
District Name: FOREST OF DEAN Parish: Tidenham
Site Name: **NETHERHOPE LANE (ASHBERRY)**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (Ivy Broomrape) and 3. (Near an LWS).
Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Comprises a shaded wooded bank on the north side of the minor Netherhope lane plus a short section on the south side adjacent to house and garden. Five plants of Ivy Broomrape (*Orobanche hederæ*), a county rarity, were found along the north and south facing shaded banks in the last survey. Other flora includes Small-leaved Lime (*Tilia cordata*), Wild Madder (*Rubia peregrina*), Wood Melick (*Melica uniflora*), Sharp-leaved Fluellen (*Kickxia elatine*) and Wood-sedge (*Carex sylvatica*). Last surveyed 04/08/2021.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland mixed deciduous woodland
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management (Ideal and minimum): No specific management is required.



Site Code: CRV073 Grid Reference: 388585 198276 to 388472 198505
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Avening
Site Name: **HAMPTON HILL (AVENING)**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (19 species)
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Sections of narrow verge and scree banks on eastern side of a minor road. Good flora includes locally abundant Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*), Wild Basil (*Clinopodium vulgare*), plus Burnet-saxifrage (*Pimpinella saxifraga*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*) and Marjoram (*Origanum vulgare*). Good limestone grassland flora, but some scrub encroachment.

Last surveyed 28/06/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: Common Lizard (*Zootoca vivipara*)

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Control of encroaching scrub and saplings

Minimum – Cutting of scrub and sapling growth every five years



Site Code: CRV074 Grid Reference: 370697 220299 to 370711 220359
District Name: FOREST OF DEAN Parish: Taynton
Site Name: **GANDER'S GREEN**

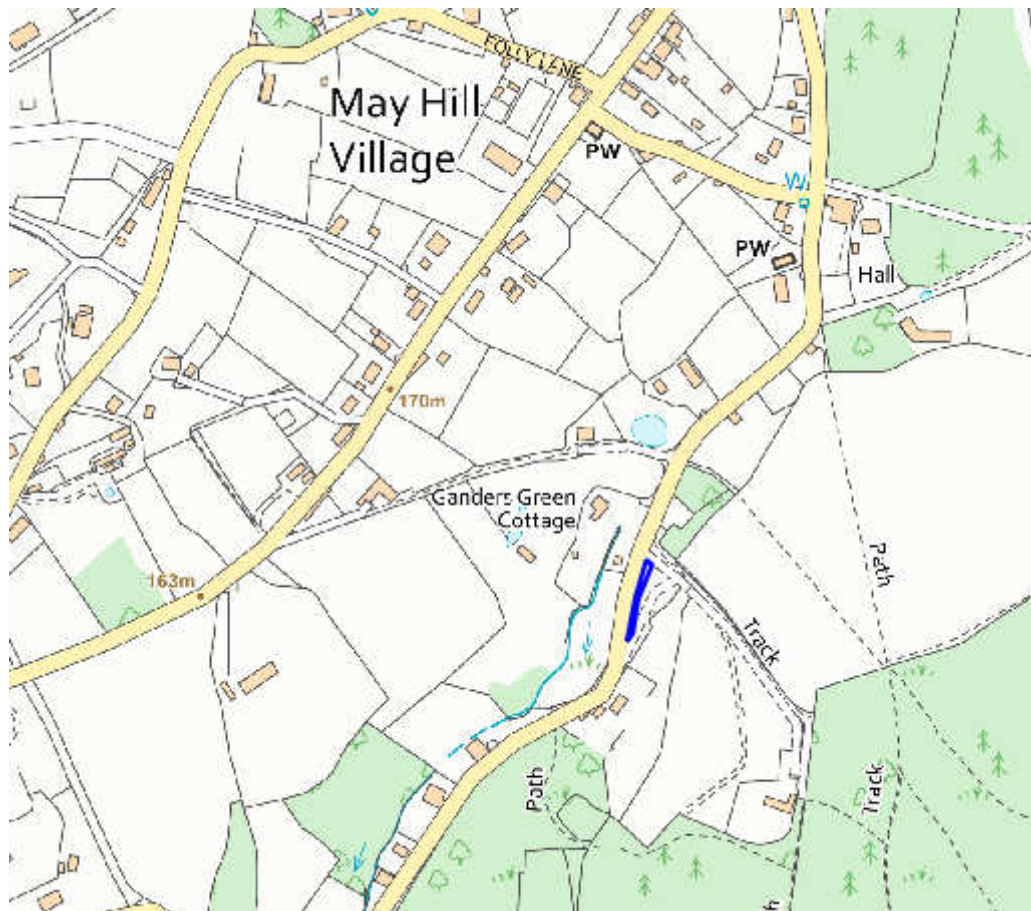
Qualifying Criteria: 2. (Meadow Saffron)
Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Small westerly facing bank adjacent to this minor road. The verge supports a concentration of the Near Threatened Meadow Saffron (*Colchicum autumnale*).

Last surveyed 11/09/2021.

UK Habitat: None
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Occasional cutting and raking of rank grass but not during the flower period (Aug – Oct).



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Site Code: CRV075 Grid Reference: 393882 201810 to 394154 201751
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Sapperton
Site Name: **CHAPMAN'S CROSS**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (20 species), 2. (Sainfoin) and 4 .(Meadow Crane's-bill)
Date Reviewed: 04/03/2016

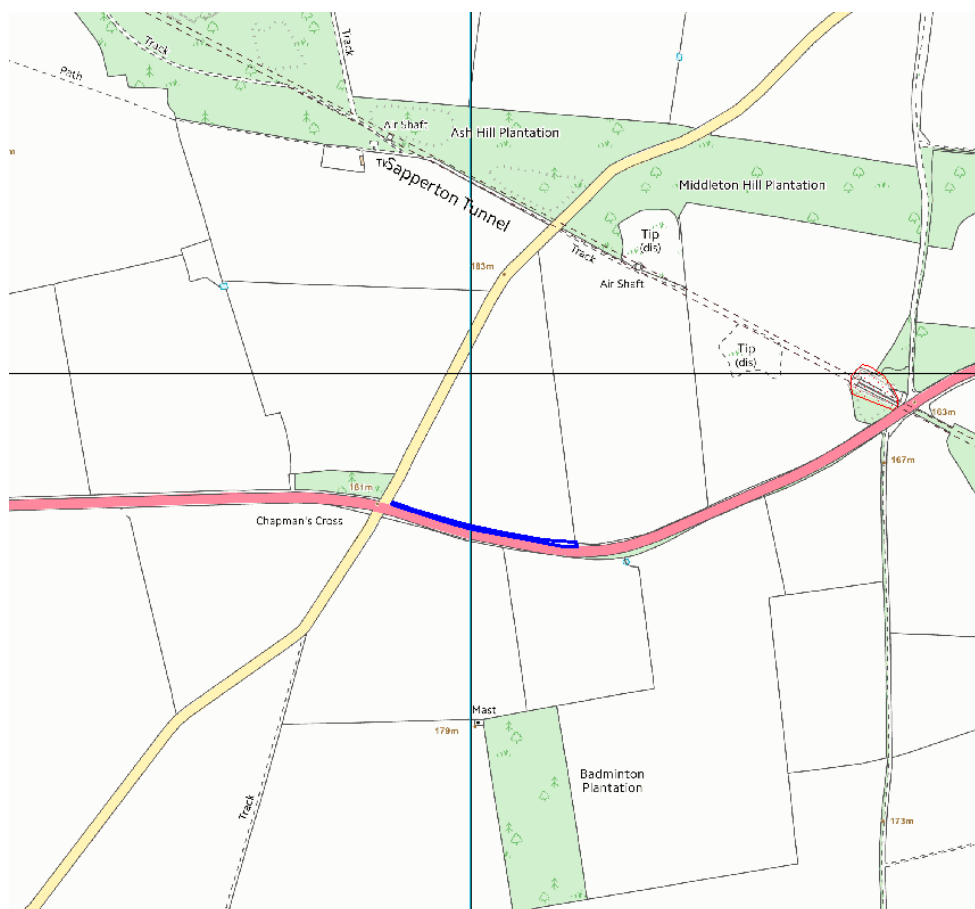
Site Description and Notes:

A wide verge (4 -6m) on the north side of the A419. It is east from Chapman's cross to a sign advertising Sapperton School. Apart from the cut verge of 3-4m; the rest is tall grass, herbs and scrub. Good flora with particularly abundant and fine display of Meadow Crane's-bill (*Geranium pratense*). Other species include: Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*), Sainfoin (*Onobrychis viciifolia*), Common Bird's-foot Trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*) and Common Broomrape (*Orobanche minor*).
Last surveyed 30/06/2015.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: Yellowhammer (*Emberiza citronella*)

Suggested Management:

Ideal & Minimum - Occasional mowing, raking and control of encroaching scrub.



Site Code: CRV076 Grid Reference: 394049 204636 to 394439 204854
District Name: STROUD Parish: Bisley-with-Lypiatt
Site Name: **TUNLEY-DANELANE**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (13 species), 2. (Dormouse), 3. (LWSs), 4. (Meadow Crane's-bill)
Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes:

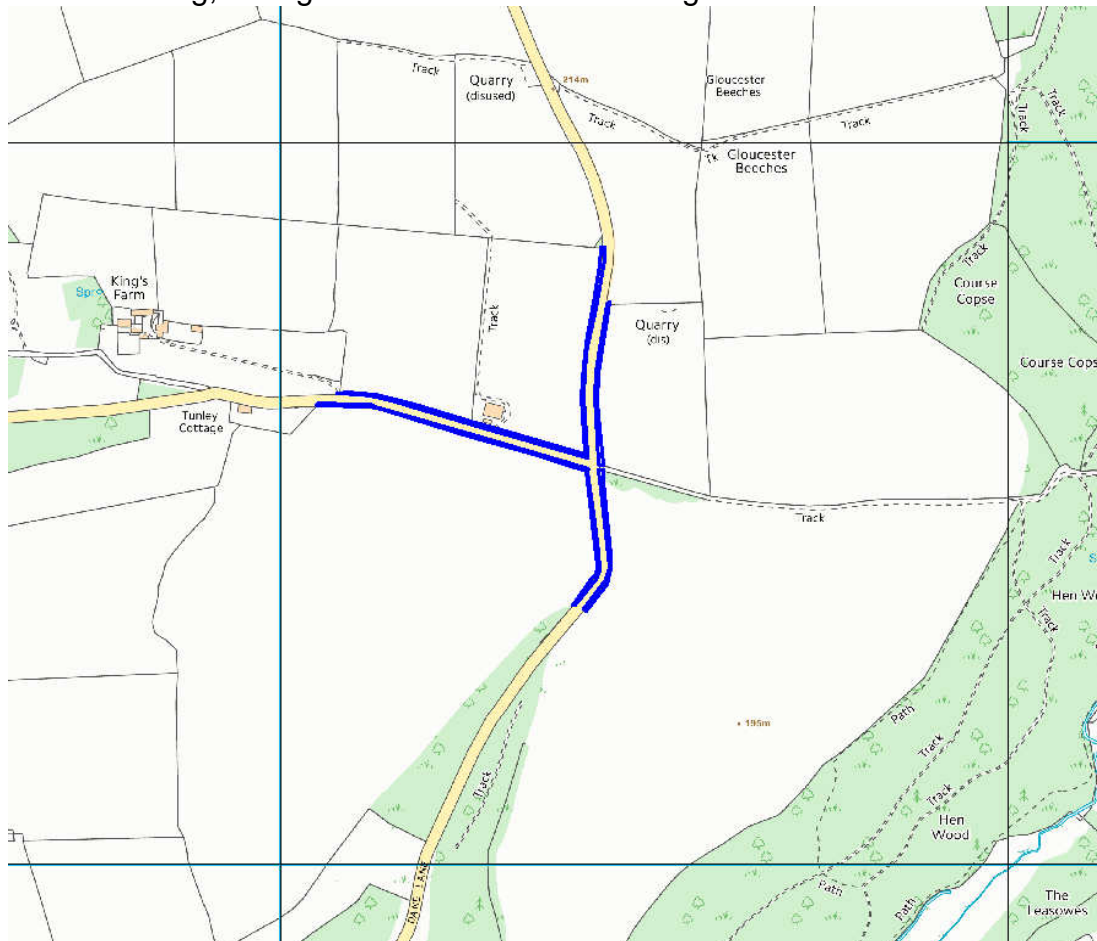
Narrow verges and mixed species-rich hedges or walls on all sides of the minor road. Lane from Tunley has moderate flora with frequent Meadow Crane's-bill. Dane lane hedges support dormice and the verges have a richer diversity of flora with species such as Burnet-saxifrage (*Pimpinella saxifraga*), Meadow Vetchling (*Lathyrus pratensis*), Wild Basil (*Clinopodium vulgare*) and Yellow-rattle (*Rhinanthus minor*).
Last surveyed 26/08/2021

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland

UK Priority Species: Dormouse (*Muscardinus avellanarius*)

Suggested Management (Ideal and Minimum):

Occasional mowing, raking and control of encroaching scrub.



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Site Code: CRV077 Grid Reference: 404053 223941 to 404767 224307
District Name: TEWKESBURY Parish: Sudeley
Site Name: **CHARLTON ABBOTS**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (29 species), 4. (Meadow Crane's-bill)
Date Reviewed: 04/03/2016

Site Description and Notes:

Verges are on both sides of the minor road. Central and upper eastern sections generally fine CG5a, locally MG1 with a good variety of typical calcareous grassland species. Lower western section contains more tall herbaceous vegetation with abundant Meadow Crane's-bill (*Geranium pratense*). Species of interest include Quaking grass (*Briza media*), Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*) and Yellow-rattle (*Rhinanthus minor*)

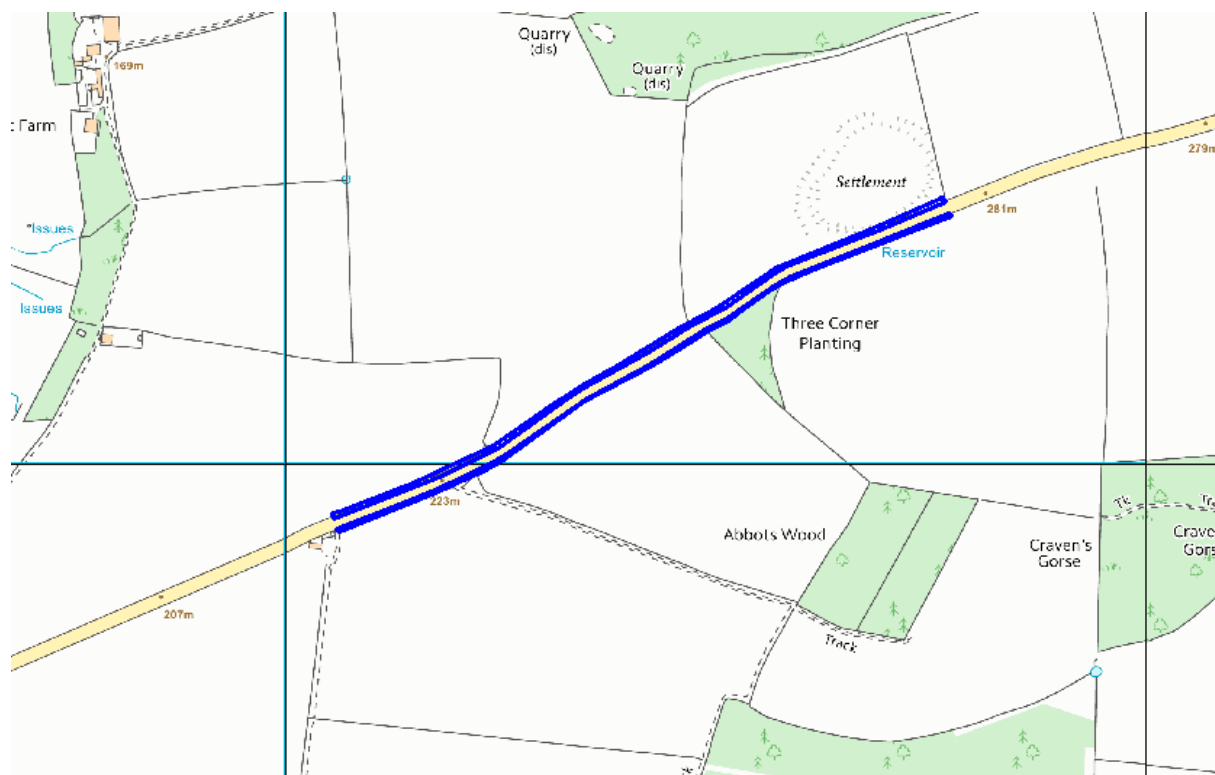
Last surveyed 22/07/2015.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland

UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management (Ideal and Minimum):

Occasional mowing, raking and control of encroaching scrub.



Site Code: CRV078 Grid Reference: 410497 204349 to 410307 202431
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Poulton
Site Name: **POULTON GRANGE**

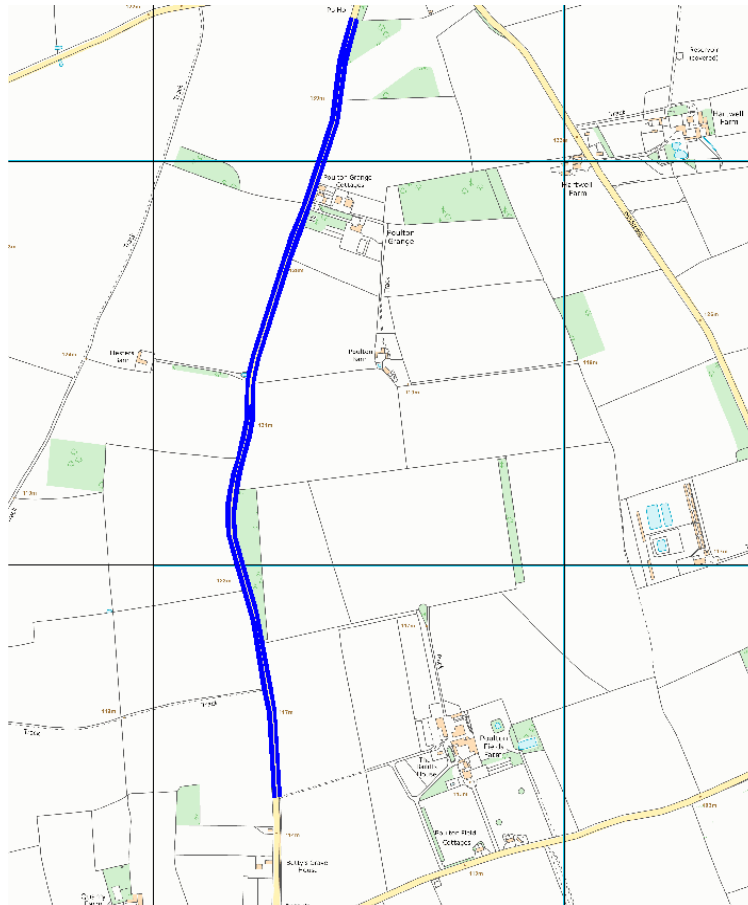
Qualifying Criteria: 1. (14 species) 2. Liquorice Piercer Moth (*Grapholita pallifrontana*)
Date Reviewed: 19/04/2018

Site Description and Notes:

Wide verges either side of the Betty's Grave to Ready Token road with species-rich hedges either side. Rank coarse herbs such as Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea scabiosa*) and Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*) along with a shorter sward featuring Common Bird's-foot trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*), Wild Liquorice (*Astragalus glycyphyllos*) and Salad Burnet (*Sanguisorba minor*). There is also a *Brachypodium* dominated area of CG4. There is extensive scrub encroachment from hedges and tall herbage. Last surveyed: 04/07/2017.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: Liquorice Piercer Moth (*Grapholita pallifrontana*)

Suggested Management (Ideal and Minimum):
Occasional mowing, raking and control of encroaching scrub.



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Site Code: CRV079 Grid Reference: 401508 194511 to 401833 194662
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Somerford Keynes
Site Name: **NEIGH BRIDGE, SOMERFORD KEYNES**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (10 species)
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: Rich grassland flora on wide verges on both sides of the road. Flora includes Pepper-saxifrage (*Silaum silaus*), Burnet-saxifrage (*Pimpinella saxifraga*), Cowslip (*Primula veris*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), Meadowsweet (*Filipendula ulmaria*) and Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*).
Last surveyed 08/08/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland meadow
UK Priority Species: Grass Snake (*Natrix helvetica*)

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Some occasional cutting of rank grass and control of encroaching bramble and other scrub
Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



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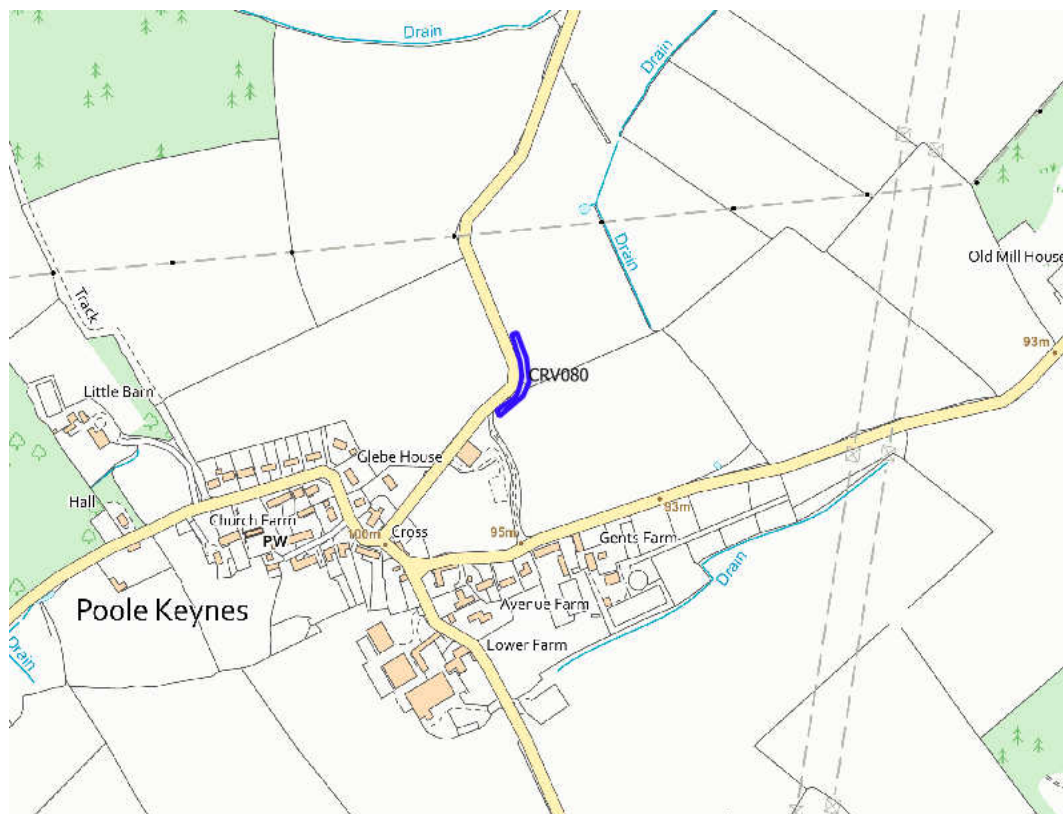
Site Code: CRV080 Grid Reference: 400192 195656 to 400177 195577
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Poole Keynes
Site Name: **POOLE KEYNES**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (*Sambucus ebulus*)
Date Reviewed: 23/03/2020

Site Description and Notes: c30m stretch of Dwarf Elder (*Sambucus ebulus*) on the east side of a minor road. The species appears to have first been recorded here in 1907. Last surveyed 08/08/2019.

UK Priority Habitats: None
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management (Ideal and minimum): No management is required.



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Site Code: CRV081 Grid Reference: 410470 230840 to 410630 229740
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Cutsdean, Temple Guiting
Site Name: **JACKDAWS CASTLE**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (15 species)
Date Reviewed: 14/12/2020

Site Description and Notes: About 1km long verges along both sides of road with a good flora including Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*), Salad Burnet (*Sanguisorba minor*) and locally frequent Common Restharrow (*Ononis repens*). are also present. There's also a little Yellow-rattle (*Rhinanthus minor*) along the eastern verge. The species richness has been reduced in places along the western verge where it's been closely cropped like a lawn.

Last surveyed 10/07/2020.

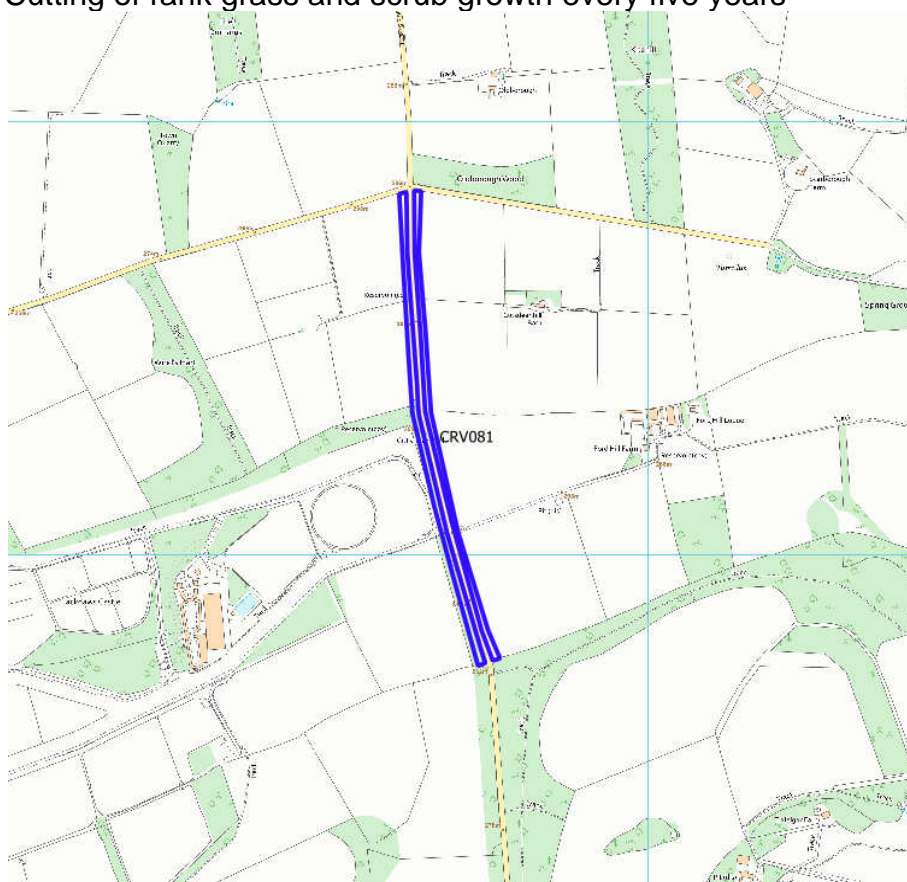
UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland

UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub and tree saplings. Reduce mowing frequency.

Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



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Site Code: CRV082 Grid Reference: 379773 223385 to 379876 223214
District Name: FOREST OF DEAN Parish: Hartpury
Site Name: **HARTPURY, TOP LODGE**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (18 species)

Date Reviewed: 14/12/2020

Site Description and Notes: Wide verge with species-rich flora including frequent Yellow-wort (*Blackstonia perfoliata*), Fairy Flax (*Linum catharticum*) and occasional Corky-fruited Water-dropwort (*Oenanthe pimpinelloides*), Common Restharrow (*Ononis repens*). Also, locally frequent Pepper-saxifrage (*Silaum silaus*).

Last surveyed 02/07/2020.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland and Hedgerow

UK Priority Species: Cinnabar (*Tyria jacobaeae*) moth

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub

Minimum – Cutting of scrub and sapling growth every five years



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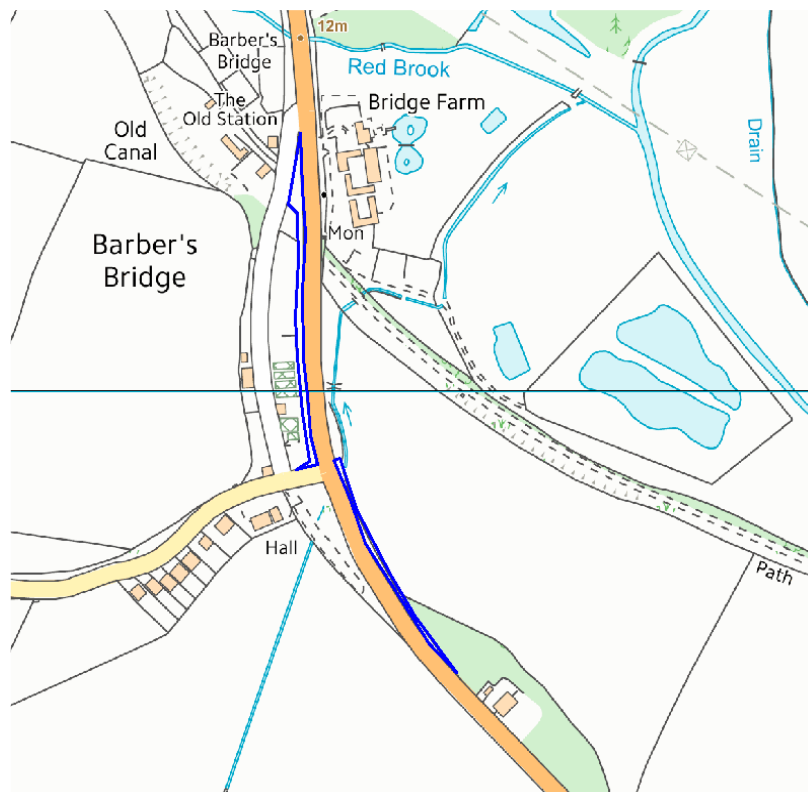
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Site Name: **BARBER'S BRIDGE, TIBBERTON**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (11 species)
Date Reviewed: 19/04/2018

Site Description and Notes: Diverse grass and tall herb verges along both sides of B4215, with wide flat areas and steep banks. Rich flora includes Grass Vetchling (*Lathyrus nissolia*), Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), Cowslip (*Primula vulgaris*) and Oxeye Daisy (*Leucanthemum vulgare*). Last surveyed 22/06/2017.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland meadow
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Occasional cutting of encroaching scrub and mowing and raking of grass
Minimum – Cutting of rank grass and scrub growth every five years



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Site Code: CRV085 Grid Reference: 355939 199771 to 356082 199592
District Name: FOREST OF DEAN Parish: Tidenham
Site Name: **FIRGROVE (PARK HILL)**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (Meadow Saffron)
Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Narrow verge on the south side of the minor road from the B4228 to Park Hill. The verge supports a concentration of the Near Threatened Meadow Saffron (*Colchicum autumnale*). The verge has been cut short and isn't species rich. Other flora includes Bluebell (*Hycanthoides non-scripta*), and Common Dog-violet (*Viola riviniana*). Last surveyed: 11/09/2021

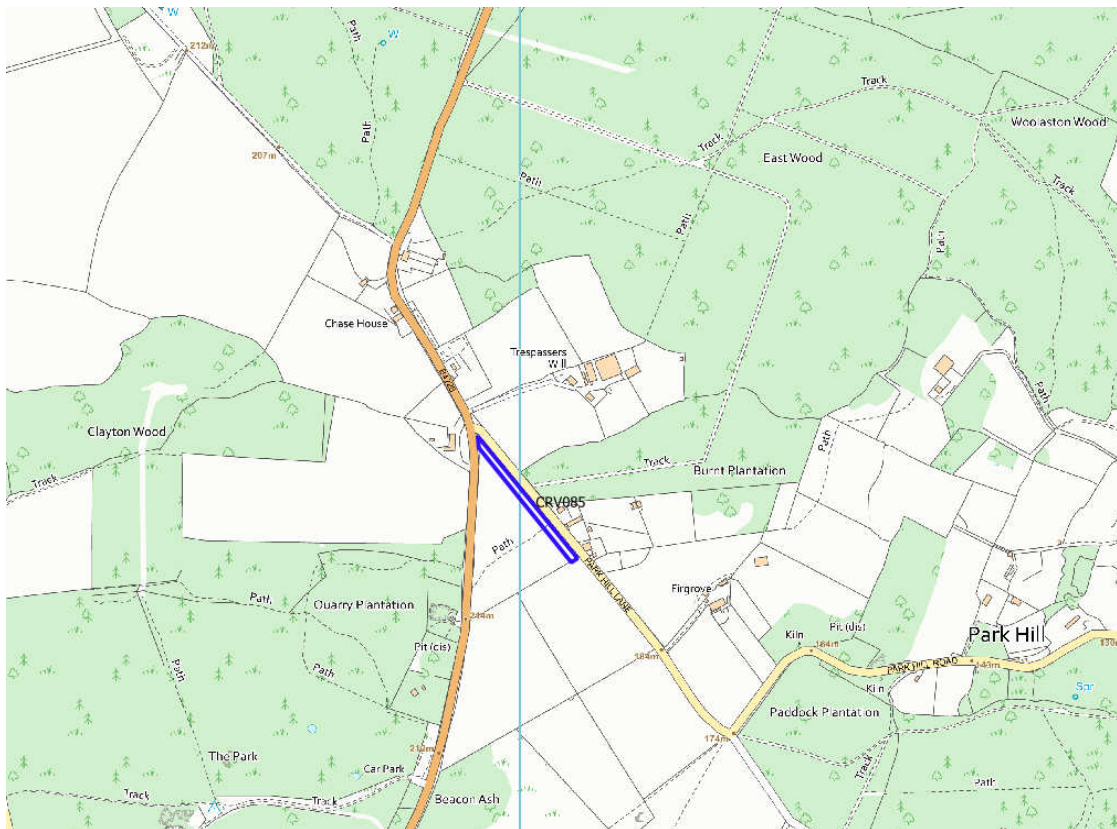
UK Priority Habitats: None

UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal – Regular cutting and raking of rank grass and bracken growth

Minimum – Cutting of grass, tall herb and bracken encroachment every five years



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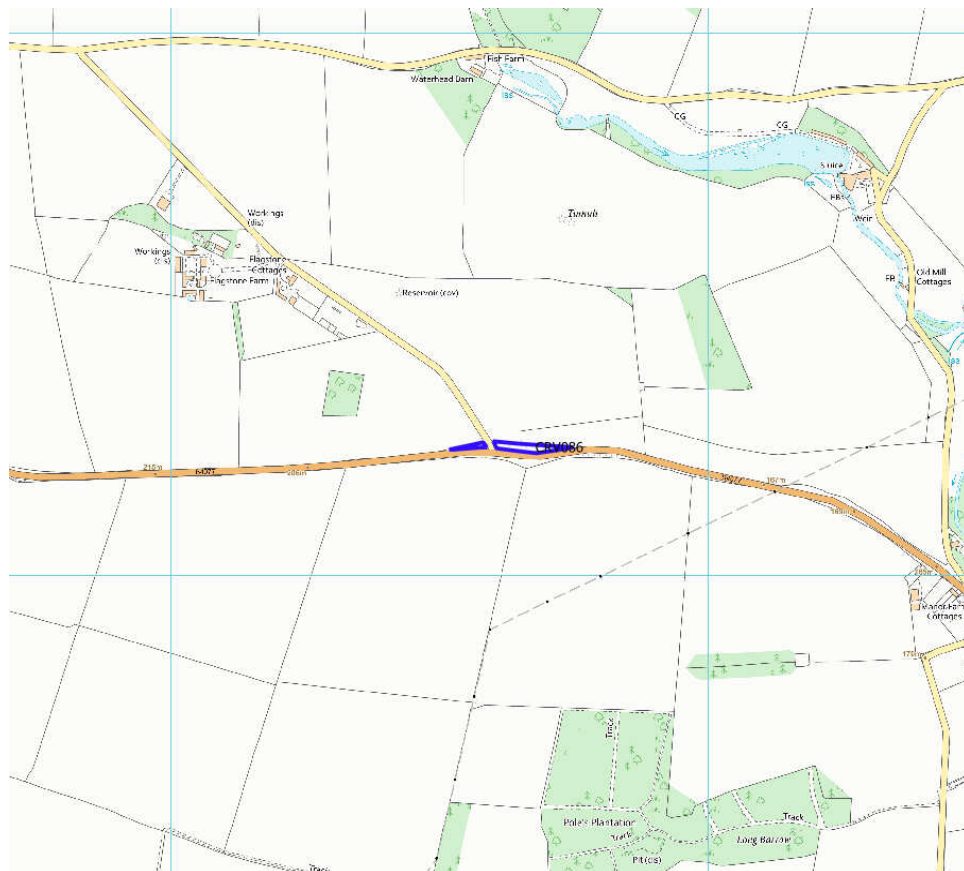
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District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Swell
Site Name: **FLAGSTONE FARM**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (24 species) and 2. (*Helicella itala*)
Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Wide flat verge and steep scree slope. Frequent Local Wildlife Site mollusc Heath Snail (*Helicella itala*), a species rich unimproved calcareous grassland flora with some coarser, rank grassland. Species included: Blue Fleabane (*Erigeron acris*), Clustered Bellflower (*Campanula glomerata*), *Briza media*, *Lotus corniculatus* and *Galium verum*.
Last surveyed 16/08/2021.

UK Priority Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal – Occasional cutting of sapling and scrub encroachment
Minimum – Cutting of scrub encroachment every five years



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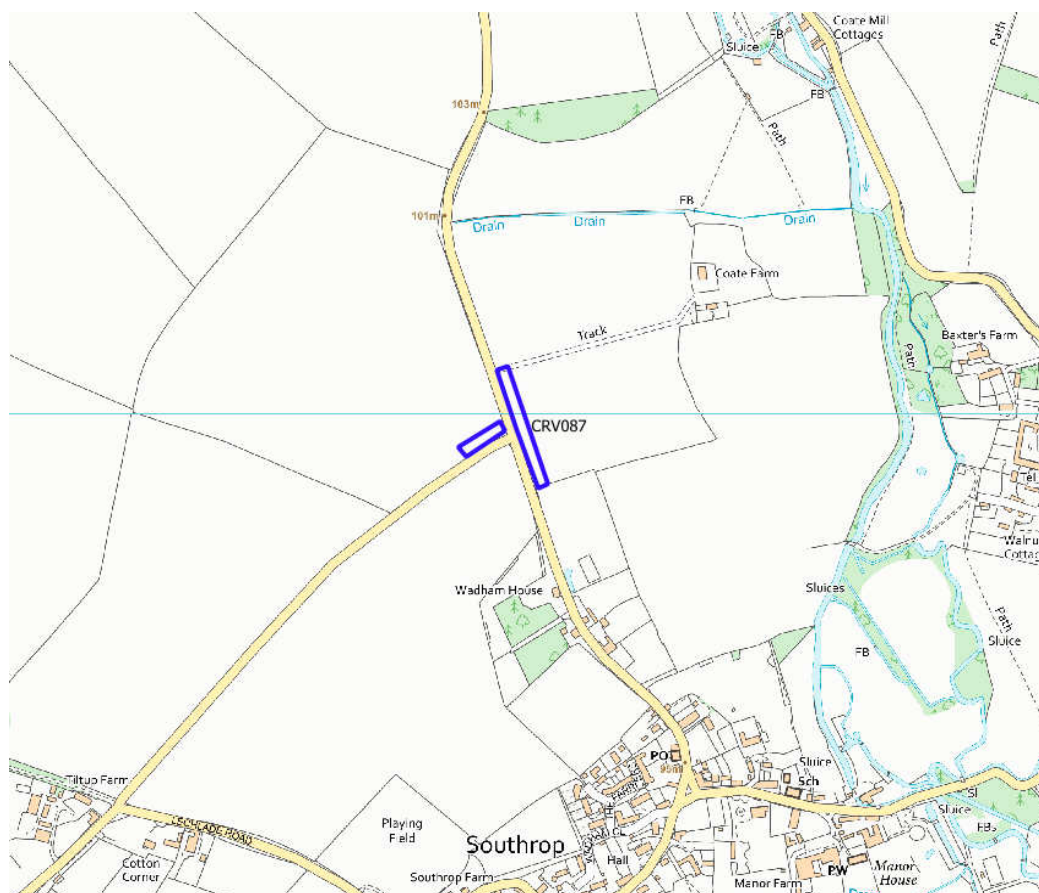
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District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Eastleach
Site Name: **COATE'S FARM, SOUTHROP**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (11 species)
Date Reviewed: 18/03/2014

Site Description and Notes: Rank/Coarse NVC type CGa grassland with abundant Upright Brome (*Bromus erectus*) and Heath False-brome (*Brachypodium pinnatum*), grading to NVC type MG1/tall herbage. This was alongside fine species rich hedges with encroachment of scrub, particularly Blackthorn (*Prunus spinosa*). Good range of calcareous grassland species present includes Downy Oat-grass (*Avenula pubescens*), Black Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Lady's Bedstraw (*Galium verum*), Meadow Vetchling (*Lathyrus pratensis*) and Salad Burnet (*Sanguisorba minor*).
Last surveyed 15/08/2021

UK Habitat: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal & Minimum – Occasional mowing and raking and control of encroaching scrub.



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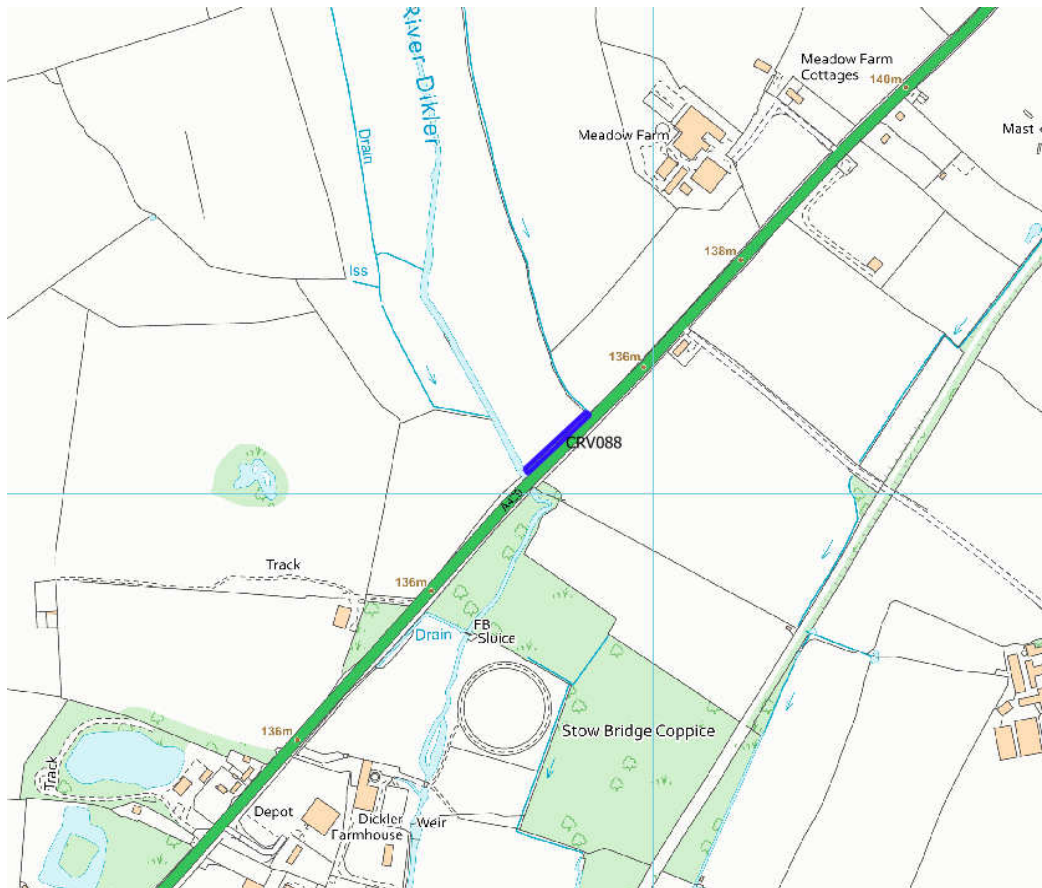
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District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Maugersbury
Site Name: **STOW BRIDGE DITCH, LOWER SLAUGHTER**

Qualifying Criteria: 2. (*Arvicola amphibious*)
Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Roadside ditch on north side of road near Meadow Farm. Tree cover present at the southern end. Water Vole (*Arvicola amphibious*) signs comprising 2 latrines recorded 10 years after initial survey. Last surveyed 23/06/2021.

UK Habitat: None
UK Priority Species: Water Vole

Suggested Management:
Ideal & Minimum – No specific management is required (Cutting regime does not impact on Water Voles in this instance)



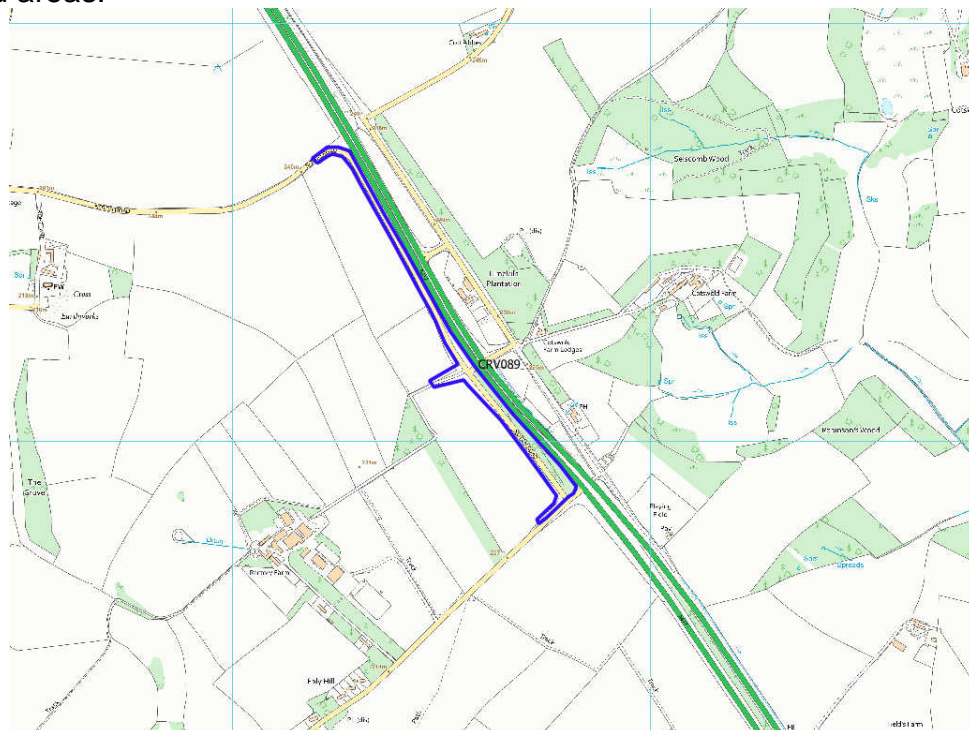
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 District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Duntisbourne Abbots and Winstone
 Site Name: **COTSWOLD FARM, DUNTISBOURNE**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (22 species), 2. (small blue) and 4. (bee orchid)
 Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: About 1km long verges along both sides of a minor road (Notch Road) created during the upgrading of the A417. The verges include steep open rocky scree banks (locally with some goat willow encroachment), as well as wide bands of rank grassland and narrow verges with scrub and adjacent planted hedges. The verges (especially the south-west facing) support a rich calcareous grassland flora, although much of this is obviously from a vigorous seed mix applied after the road was built, in particular Kidney Vetch (*Anthyllis vulneraria*), Oxeye Daisy (*Leucanthemum vulgare*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*), Cowslip (*Primula veris*) and Salad Burnet (*Sanguisorba minor*). However, there is still a good flora of species likely to be naturally occurring, including Common Broomrape (*Orobanche minor*), Common Spotted-orchid (*Dactylorhiza fuchsia*) and Bee Orchids (*Ophrys apifera*). Four Small Blue Butterflies were seen in 2021 including 1 female observed egg laying on the Kidney Vetch. Last surveyed 30/06/2021.

UK Priority Habitat: Lowland calcareous grassland
 UK Priority Species: Small blue

Suggested Management:
 Ideal & Minimum – Control of scrub encroachment and occasional cutting of rank grassland areas.



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Site Code: CRV090 Grid Reference: 421050 220432 to 421130 220445
and 421275 220386 to 421560 220299
District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Upper Rissington and Westcote
Site Name: **CHURCH WESTCOTE**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (15 species). 4. (Bee Orchid, Pyramidal Orchid)
Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Wide verge on north side of A424 and small wide verge near Far Hill House. The verges support species-rich grassland with a high concentration of 70+ Bee Orchid (*Ophrys apifera*) and 100+ Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*). Also, frequent Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea scabiosa*), rare Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*), frequent Rough Hawkbit (*Leontodon hispidus*) and Goat's-beard (*Tragopogon pratensis*). Plus, frequent Glaucous Sedge (*Carex flacca*), locally frequent Mouse-ear hawkweed (*Pilosella officinarum*) with locally abundant Yellow-rattle (*Rhinanthus minor*) and Quaking-grass (*Briza media*) especially along the section near Far Hill House. Last surveyed 23/06/2021.

UK Priority Habitat: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal & Minimum – No specific management required



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Site Code: CRV091 Grid Reference: 366590 206200 to 366614 206065
District Name: FOREST OF DEAN Parish: Awre
Site Name: **NIBLEY GREEN**

Qualifying Criteria: 1.(13 species), 2. (Green-winged orchid)
Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Flat/gently sloping, uncut species-rich MG1 grassland verge at the Nibley Green junction, just west of the Clarke's Pool Meadow GWT NR. Some planted conifer and broad-leaved trees to the north. The verge supports a number of species which includes Yarrow (*Achillea millefolium*), frequent Meadow Vetchling (*Lathyrus pratensis*), Common bird's-foot-trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*) and Yellow-rattle (*Rhinanthus minor*), occasional Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*) and Oxeye daisy (*Leucanthemum vulgare*), a little Pignut (*Conopodium majus*), Cat's-ear (*Hypochaeris radicata*) and Goat's-beard (*Tragopogon pratensis*). Green-winged orchid (*Anacamptis morio*) (RDB Near Threatened) was recorded in 2013. Last surveyed 16/06/2021.

UK Priority Habitat: Lowland meadow
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:

Ideal & Minimum – No specific management required (Managed as hay meadow by Parish council, mown late in summer apart from regularly mown footpaths/edges)



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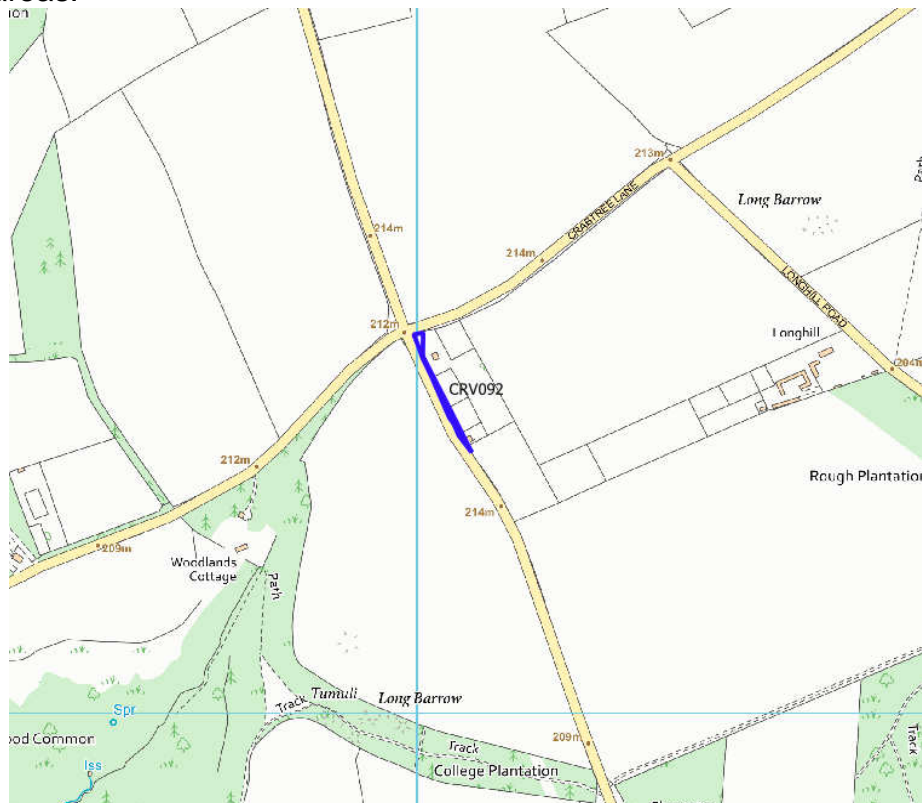
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District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Duntisbourne Abbots
Site Name: **DUNTISBOURNE**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (17 species)
Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Wide species-rich grassland verge with an area of bare ground where cars park/pull in. The verge supports a species-rich flora, but many appear to be relatively less abundant than in the previous survey. Examples include Yarrow (*Achillea millefolium*), Agrimony (*Agrimonia eupatoria*), Glaucous sedge (*Carex flacca*), Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Meadow crane's-bill (*Geranium pratense*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*), Meadow Vetchling (*Lathyrus pratensis*), Fairy Flax (*Linum catharticum*), Common bird's-foot-trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*), Cowslip (*Primula veris*), Yellow-rattle (*Rhinanthus minor*), with Hairy Violet (*Viola hirta*) locally abundant under the trees. There is encroaching bramble, blackthorn, hawthorn from hedge to the east. Part is mown by junction, the rest uncut, rank with scrub. Last surveyed 30/06/2021.

UK Priority Habitat: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal & Minimum – Control of scrub encroachment and occasional cutting of rank grassland areas.



Site Code: CRV093 Grid Reference: 38950 19831 to 38961 38961
 District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Cherington
 Site Name: **NAG'S HEAD**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (19 species)
 Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: About a 160m stretch on the north side of a minor road between Cherington and Avening. A steep bank of species-rich CG5a grassland with encroaching woodland/scrub. On the roadside a 1m width has been mown. The sward comprises of a good diversity including abundant Mouse-ear hawkweed (*Pilosella officinarum*), frequent Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*), with occasional Quaking Grass (*Briza media*), Harebell (*Campanula rotundifolia*), Common Birds-foot-trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*) and Common restharrow (*Ononis repens*).
 Last surveyed 21/07/2021

UK Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland
 UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management (Ideal and Minimum):
 Occasional mowing, raking and control of encroaching scrub



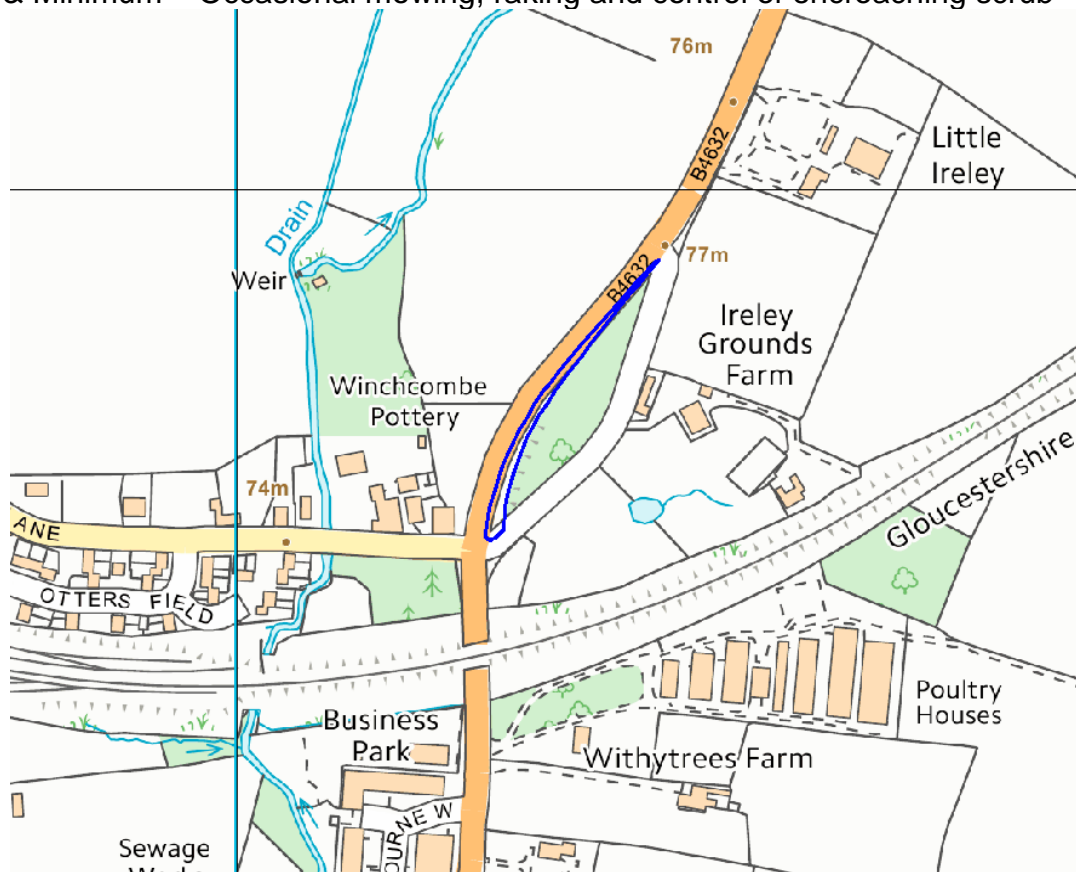
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 District Name: TEWKESBURY Parish: Winchcombe
 Site Name: **WINCHCOMBE (Ireley) B4682**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (16 species), 4. (Meadow Crane's-bill) and 6. (e)
 Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: A wide grassy verge on the east side of the road, adjoining a broad-leaved plantation. This is mainly coarse, tussocky Tall Fescue (*Festuca arundinacea*) grassland with an excellent range of neutral and damp meadow species including frequent Glaucous Sedge (*Carex flacca*) Spiked Sedge (*C.spicata*), Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Meadow Vetchling (*Lathyrus pratensis* and Common Birds-foot-trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*). There are also several Common Spotted-orchid (*Dactylorhiza fuchsia*) with small amounts of Grass Vetchling (*Lathyrus nissolia*), Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*) Common Fleabane (*Pulicaria dysenterica*) and the rarer Greater Burnet-saxifrage (*Pimpinella major*).
 Last surveyed 28/07/2021

UK Habitat: Lowland meadow
 UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
 Ideal & Minimum – Occasional mowing, raking and control of encroaching scrub



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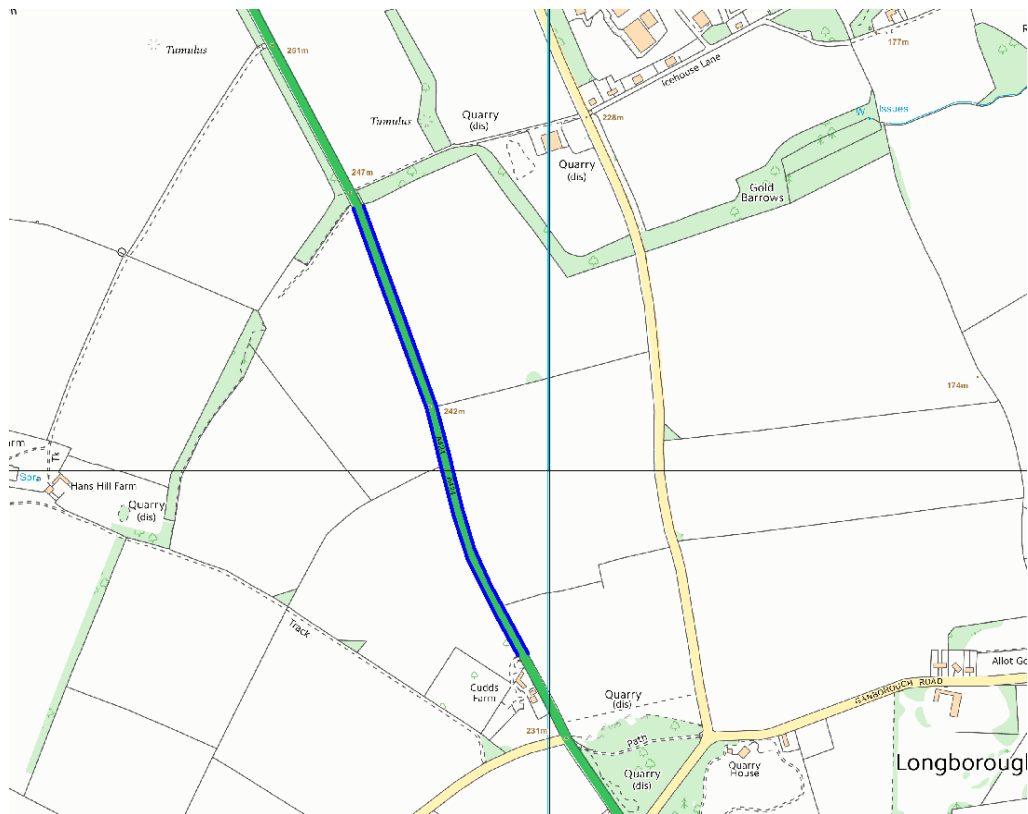
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District Name: COTSWOLD Parish: Longborough
Site Name: **LANGBOROUGH A424**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (16 species)
Date Reviewed: 14/02/2022

Site Description and Notes: Wide, mainly flat verges on both sides of the A424. They support a variety of NVC types, mainly MG1 and CG4 but with pockets of decent CG5a grassland. The sward comprises of a good diversity of the commoner grassland species, and an abundance of many taller herbs, including Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*), Greater Knapweed (*Centaurea scabiosa*), Common Birds-foot-trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*), Common restharrow (*Ononis repens*), Field Scabious (*Knautia arvensis*) and Lady's bedstraw (*Galium verum*).
Last surveyed 16/08/2021.

UK Habitats: Lowland calcareous grassland and Lowland meadow
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Occasional mowing, raking and control of encroaching scrub



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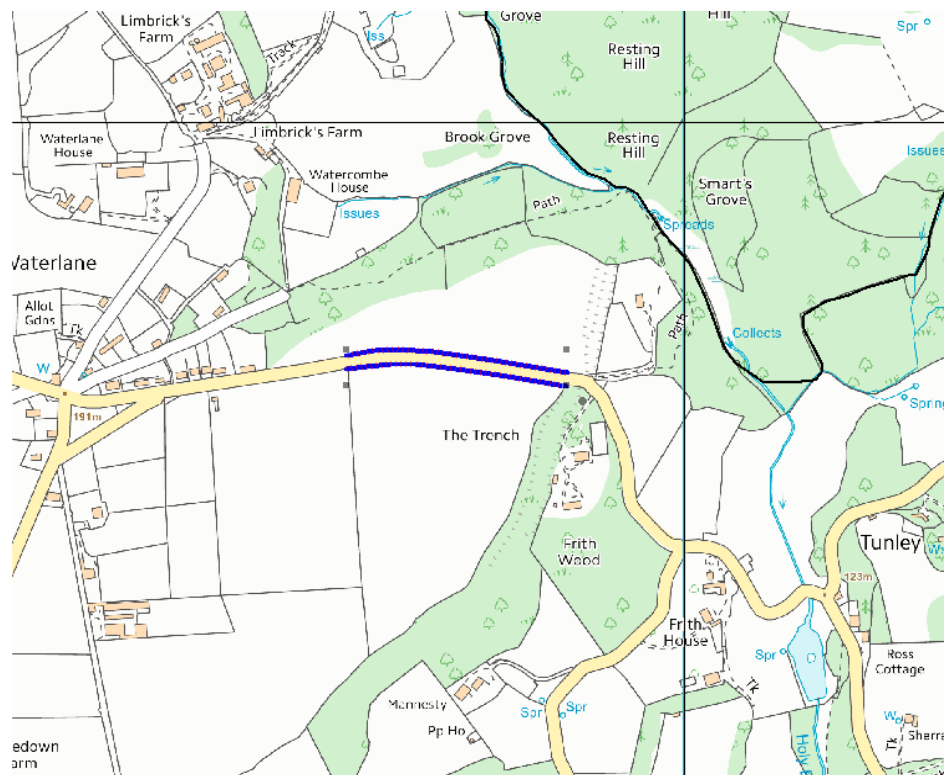
Site Code: CRV096 Grid Reference: 392581 204709 to 392853 204671
District Name: STROUD Parish: Bisley-with-Lypiatt
Site Name: **WATERLANE**

Qualifying Criteria: 1. (17 species) and 2. (Sainfoin)
Date Reviewed: 16/06/2015

Site Description and Notes: Narrow, banked verges on both sides of minor road. Northern verge is the more diverse with frequent Common rock-rose (*Helianthemum nummularium*) and a good variety of other typical calcareous grassland plants (CG5a), including a small amount of Sainfoin (*Onobrychis viciifolia*). Has a scrub lined wall above. Southern verge is less diverse and more shaded by extensive scrub. This verge supports Salad Burnet (*Sanguisorba minor*), Common Birds-foot-trefoil (*Lotus corniculatus*), Common Knapweed (*Centaurea nigra*) and Meadow Vetchling (*Lathyrus pratensis*). Last surveyed 22/08/2014.

UK Habitat: Lowland calcareous grassland
UK Priority Species: None

Suggested Management:
Ideal & Minimum – Control of scrub encroachment



Appendices

Appendix 1: Background to Conservation Road Verges in Gloucestershire

1 Biodiversity in Gloucestershire

Biological diversity or biodiversity is the variety of living organisms and systems in terms of habitats, species and local genetic diversity. Gloucestershire is a highly diverse county ranging from the Wye Valley with its ancient ravine woodlands in the west, to the streams of the Cotswold plateau in the east. The county fits into three key natural areas, the acid grassland, bogs, heathland, and oak woodland in the Forest of Dean, the Severn Vale and its floodplain which is important for bird-life, especially wintering wildfowl and breeding waders, and the Cotswold escarpment with acres of limestone grassland and beech woodland. There's more about Gloucestershire's biodiversity on the Local Nature Partnership website: <https://www.gloucestershirenature.org.uk>

2 Background to conservation road verges

In 1989 the Gloucestershire Trust for Nature Conservation (now Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust [GWT]) identified roadside verges in Gloucestershire that were the most valuable areas in need of protection. Gloucestershire County Council recognised these sites and as far as possible carried out highways maintenance operations, such as grass cutting, in the recommended manner.

Following a 'Best Value Review' by the County Council in 2002 a 'Highways Maintenance Biodiversity Action Plan' (HMBAP) was produced and adopted. The HMBAP included actions to survey, monitor and enhance 'Conservation Road Verges' where this was possible. The HMBAP was reviewed and replaced by the Gloucestershire Highways Biodiversity Plan (GHBP – 2009 to 2014). This has since been superseded by the Gloucestershire Highways and Biodiversity Guidance handbook at <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/highways/plans-policies-procedures-manuals/biodiversity-and-highways/>.

When the system was set up there were two types of road verges that were noted as being of particular value:

Type 1 verges were those that exhibited particular rare or unusual flora or fauna and were marked with white posts. In addition, verges that displayed good flora of more general interest were also identified.

Type 2 verges were those which formed part of, or which were situated adjacent to, nature reserves or Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs).

A register produced by GWT detailed these sites; it contained sketch maps and included brief management recommendations. This register soon became very out of date. In 2006 the County Council and GWT began a rolling programme of survey and review of roadside verges. This is provided through GCER as a revised roadside verge register and GIS boundaries for use in digital mapping.

3 Relationship with other nature conservation designations

There are presently over 120 SSSIs in Gloucestershire that are protected under the provisions of the amended Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. About a quarter of these sites are designated for their geological importance. Some of the sites are of international importance and are Special Protection Areas (SPAs), Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) or Ramsar sites.

The conservation of the county's wildlife heritage also demands a strategy that addresses the needs of wildlife in the wider countryside. The identification and conservation of a wider network of important wildlife sites known as Local Wildlife Sites (LWSs) is a major element in such a strategy. The importance of non-statutory sites is recognised as part of the Nature Recovery Network in Gloucestershire. See <https://www.gloucestershirenature.org.uk/nature-recovery-network> for further details.

Designated Conservation Road Verges (CRVs) sit apart from LWSs, although in some instances they are closely related, for example where a rare plant is found on a road verge it may be more appropriate to identify the site as an LWS which has a higher status. DEFRA (DEFRA, 2006a) published 'Local Sites– Guidance on their identification, selection and management' which although targeted on LWSs is of relevance to CRVs too.

4 Conservation Road Verges in the Planning system

As non-statutory sites CRVs do not have any legal protection. However; they are mentioned through forward planning and development control systems. Advice given in paragraph 174 of the National Planning Policy Framework (Department for Communities and Local Government, 2019) highlights the need to: "identify, map and safeguard components of local wildlife-rich habitats and wider ecological networks". These include "...locally designated sites of importance for biodiversity; wildlife corridors and stepping stones that connect them..."

5 Conservation Road Verges and the Biodiversity Duty

Section 40(1) of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 (DEFRA, 2006b) states: 'Every public authority must, in exercising its functions, have regard, so far as is consistent with proper exercise of those functions, to the purpose of conserving biodiversity'. This applies to all Local Authorities and means biodiversity assets associated with roadside verges particularly priority habitats and species are a material consideration in works within or close to the highways corridor.

6 Selection and Designation of Conservation Road Verges

Criteria have been drawn up to deliver a more scientific and consistent approach to the identification of important roadside verges across the county (see attached appendix). As far as is practicable these criteria have been based on the standard ones recommended for Local Sites (DEFRA, 2006a). It is recognised that, particularly within villages and towns, there can be roadside verges that local people may wish to see managed for wildlife. Such verges can be considered for designation as Conservation

Road Verges (criteria no. 6) but only if they meet at least one of the scientific criteria (criteria nos. 1 to 5). The criteria do not aim to identify every roadside site with biodiversity interest, but rather to set a threshold to identify those that have the most significant biodiversity value in the County.

In most years a proportion of Gloucestershire's existing registered roadside verges are re-surveyed and re-assessed. In addition to this a selection of new sites (from recommendations) are also looked at. Survey and assessment will result in a proposal to GCER and GCC to confirm, remove or add a roadside verge site into a revised Conservation Road Verge Register.

Newly proposed sites are considered against the ability of the County Council to manage them as part of the highway network. CRVs will only be designated where their management is compatible with safety and operational requirements. It is possible that confirmation and management of CRVs may also be compromised by landscape, archaeological or other environmental constraints. All CRV changes are reviewed and agreed by GCER and GCC and if appropriate after consultation with the relevant AONBs, District, Town or Parish councils.

The CRV Register is updated and as part of a Service Level Agreement (SLA) where GCER digitises new site boundaries where needed and disseminates them to GCC for use in its digital mapping system. Requests for the digital CRV information can be made by anyone by contacting GCER at <https://www.gcer.co.uk/>.

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Appendix 2: Criteria for the Selection of Potential Conservation Road Verges

A site is selected as a potential CRV if it meets either:

- A. Criteria 1 or 2 **OR** B. Two of criteria 3, 4, 5 or 6

Criteria:

1. Habitat (Diversity and Naturalness)

Areas of semi-natural neutral, limestone and acidic grassland which support 10 or more species from Table 1

Table 1

Scientific Name	Common Name
<i>Achillea ptarmica</i>	Sneezewort
<i>Agrimonia eupatoria</i>	Agrimony
<i>Aira caryophyllea</i>	Silver hair-grass
<i>Aira praecox</i>	Early hair-grass
<i>Alchemilla sp.</i>	Lady's-mantle
<i>Anacamptis morio</i>	Green-winged orchid
<i>Anacamptis pyramidalis</i>	Pyramidal orchid
<i>Anthyllis vulneraria</i>	Kidney vetch
<i>Aquilegia vulgaris</i>	Columbine
<i>Arabis hirsuta</i>	Hairy rock-cress
<i>Asperula cynanchica</i>	Squinancywort
<i>Astragalus danicus</i>	Purple milk-vetch
<i>Astragalus glycyphyllos</i>	Wild Liquorice
<i>Blackstonia perfoliata</i>	Yellow-wort
<i>Briza media</i>	Quaking-grass
<i>Calluna vulgaris</i>	Heather
<i>Caltha palustris</i>	Marsh-marigold
<i>Campanula glomerata</i>	Clustered bellflower
<i>Campanula rotundifolia</i>	Harebell
<i>Carduus nutans</i>	Musk thistle
<i>Carex binervis</i>	Green ribbed-sedge
<i>Carex caryophyllea</i>	Spring sedge
<i>Carex demissa</i>	Common yellow-sedge
<i>Carex disticha</i>	Brown sedge
<i>Carex distans</i>	Distant sedge
<i>Carex echinata</i>	Star sedge
<i>Carex flacca</i>	Glaucous sedge

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<i>Carex lepidocarpa</i>	Long-stalked yellow-sedge
<i>Carex nigra</i>	Common sedge
<i>Carex leporina</i>	Oval sedge
<i>Carex pallescens</i>	Pale sedge
<i>Carex panicea</i>	Carnation sedge
<i>Carex pilulifera</i>	Pill sedge
<i>Carex pulicaris</i>	Flea sedge
<i>Carex spicata</i>	Spiked sedge
<i>Carlina vulgaris</i>	Carlina thistle
<i>Centaurea nigra</i>	Common knapweed
<i>Centaurea scabiosa</i>	Greater knapweed
<i>Centaureum erythraea</i>	Common centaury
<i>Cirsium acaule</i>	Dwarf thistle
<i>Cirsium dissectum</i>	Meadow thistle
<i>Clinopodium acinos</i>	Basil thyme
<i>Clinopodium vulgare</i>	Wild basil
<i>Coeloglossum viride</i>	Frog orchid
<i>Colchicum autumnale</i>	Meadow saffron
<i>Conopodium majus</i>	Pignut
<i>Cynoglossum officinale</i>	Hound's-tongue
<i>Dactylorhiza fuchsii</i>	Common spotted-orchid
<i>Dactylorhiza praetermissa</i>	Southern marsh-orchid
<i>Danthonia decumbens</i>	Heath-grass
<i>Deschampsia flexuosa</i>	Wavy hair-grass
<i>Catapodium rigidum</i>	Fern-grass
<i>Echium vulgare</i>	Viper's-bugloss
<i>Eleocharis palustris</i>	Common spike-rush
<i>Erica cinerea</i>	Bell heather
<i>Erica tetralix</i>	Cross-leaved heath
<i>Erigeron acris</i>	Blue fleabane
<i>Euphrasia nemorosa</i>	Common Eyebright
<i>Filipendula ulmaria</i>	Meadowsweet
<i>Filipendula vulgaris</i>	Dropwort
<i>Fragaria vesca</i>	Wild strawberry
<i>Galium palustre</i>	Marsh bedstraw
<i>Galium saxatile</i>	Heath bedstraw
<i>Galium verum</i>	Lady's bedstraw
<i>Genista tinctoria</i>	Dyer's greenweed
<i>Gentianella amarella</i>	Autumn gentian
<i>Geranium columbinum</i>	Long-stalked crane's bill
<i>Geranium pratense</i>	Meadow crane's bill
<i>Gymnadenia conopsea</i>	Fragrant orchid
<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i>	Common rock-rose
<i>Helictotrichon pubescens</i>	Downy oat-grass
<i>Helictotrichon pratense</i>	Meadow oat-grass

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<i>Hippocrepis comosa</i>	Horseshoe vetch
<i>Herminium monorchis</i>	Musk orchid
<i>Hyacinthoides non-scripta</i>	Bluebell
<i>Hypericum humifusum</i>	Trailing St. John's-wort
<i>Hypericum pulchrum</i>	Slender St John's-wort
<i>Hypochaeris radicata</i>	Cat's-ear
<i>Inula conyzae</i>	Ploughman's spikenard
<i>Isolepis setacea</i>	Bristle club-rush
<i>Knautia arvensis</i>	Field scabious
<i>Koeleria macrantha</i>	Crested hair-grass
<i>Lathyrus linifolius</i>	Bitter-vetch
<i>Lathyrus nissolia</i>	Grass vetchling
<i>Lathyrus pratensis</i>	Meadow vetchling
<i>Scorzoneroide autumnalis</i>	Autumn hawkbit
<i>Leontodon hispidus</i>	Rough hawkbit
<i>Leucanthemum vulgare</i>	Oxeye daisy
<i>Linum catharticum</i>	Fairy flax
<i>Neottia ovata</i>	Common twayblade
<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	Common bird's-foot-trefoil
<i>Lotus pedunculatus</i>	Greater bird's-foot-trefoil
<i>Luzula campestris</i>	Field wood-rush
<i>Silene flos-cuculi</i>	Ragged-Robin
<i>Molinia caerulea</i>	Purple moor-grass
<i>Myosotis ramosissima</i>	Early forget-me-not
<i>Narcissus pseudonarcissus</i>	Wild daffodil
<i>Nardus stricta</i>	Mat-grass
<i>Oenanthe pimpinelloides</i>	Corky-fruited water-dropwort
<i>Ononis repens</i>	Common restharrow
<i>Ononis spinosa</i>	Spiny restharrow
<i>Ophioglossum vulgatum</i>	Adder's-tongue
<i>Ophrys apifera</i>	Bee orchid
<i>Ophrys insectifera</i>	Fly orchid
<i>Orchis mascula</i>	Early-purple orchid
<i>Origanum vulgare</i>	Marjoram
<i>Ornithopus perpusillus</i>	Bird's-foot
<i>Pedicularis sylvatica</i>	Lousewort
<i>Pilosella officinarum</i>	Mouse-ear hawkweed
<i>Pimpinella saxifraga</i>	Burnet-saxifrage
<i>Plantago media</i>	Hoary plantain
<i>Platanthera bifolia</i>	Lesser butterfly-orchid
<i>Platanthera chlorantha</i>	Greater butterfly-orchid
<i>Polygala calcarea</i>	Chalk milkwort
<i>Polygala serpyllifolia</i>	Heath milkwort
<i>Polygala vulgaris</i>	Common milkwort
<i>Potentilla anglica</i>	Trailing tormentil

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<i>Potentilla erecta</i>	Tormentil
<i>Potentilla sterilis</i>	Barren strawberry
<i>Primula veris</i>	Cowslip
<i>Primula vulgaris</i>	Primrose
<i>Pulicaria dysenterica</i>	Common fleabane
<i>Ranunculus bulbosus</i>	Bulbous buttercup
<i>Rhinanthus minor</i>	Yellow-rattle
<i>Rumex acetosella</i>	Sheep's-sorrel
<i>Sanguisorba officinalis</i>	Greater burnet
<i>Poterium sanguisorba</i>	Salad burnet
<i>Saxifraga granulata</i>	Meadow saxifrage
<i>Scabiosa columbaria</i>	Small scabious
<i>Scutellaria minor</i>	Lesser skullcap
<i>Serratula tinctoria</i>	Saw-wort
<i>Silaum silaus</i>	Pepper-saxifrage
<i>Spiranthes spiralis</i>	Autumn lady's-tresses
<i>Stachys officinalis</i>	Betony
<i>Stellaria graminea</i>	Lesser stitchwort
<i>Succisa pratensis</i>	Devil's-bit scabious
<i>Thalictrum flavum</i>	Common meadow-rue
<i>Thymus polytrichus</i>	Wild thyme
<i>Thymus pulegioides</i>	Large thyme
<i>Tragopogon pratensis agg.</i>	Goat's-beard
<i>Trifolium fragiferum</i>	Strawberry clover
<i>Trifolium medium</i>	Zigzag clover
<i>Trifolium scabrum</i>	Rough clover
<i>Trisetum flavescens</i>	Yellow oat-grass
<i>Ulex gallii</i>	Western gorse
<i>Vaccinium myrtillus</i>	Bilberry
<i>Valeriana dioica</i>	Marsh valerian
<i>Valeriana officinalis</i>	Common valerian
<i>Verbena officinalis</i>	Vervain
<i>Veronica officinalis</i>	Heath speedwell
<i>Viola hirta</i>	Hairy violet
<i>Viola riviniana</i>	Common dog-violet

2. Scarce or Rare Species (Rarity and Fragility)

Verge supports a Red Data Book, Nationally Scarce, Near Threatened, Glos/UK Priority Species, Local Wildlife Site species, county rarity, legally protected species or mature black-poplars, which have no national or county status but are an uncommon feature of the landscape and only usually occur as individuals or small groups and are therefore vulnerable. This category covers fauna as well as flora, so includes species such as water vole, Roman snail, glow-worm and harvest mouse.

3. Connectivity

Is adjacent to, extends or connects a Local Wildlife Site (formerly Key Wildlife Site) or SSSI.

4. Characteristic Species

On a county basis is a verge that supports an outstandingly high concentration and/or area/length of one of cowslip, wild daffodil, meadow crane's-bill, bluebell, sainfoin or any orchid species.

5. Potential

Recovery and/or creation of biodiversity value are a significant opportunity and will be implemented by the County Council as Highways Authority.

6. Social (Value for Appreciation of Nature or Culture)

Many people value roadside verges, not just for their biodiversity value but also for different reasons. They may be an attractive area to walk alongside, they may provide a colourful view from a property, or a car on a regular route, or could provide an attractive entrance into a village. Whatever the reason many road-verges are valued at a local level for reasons other than ecological ones.

The inclusion of 'social' road-side verges identified by local people who feel some association with the site helps not only to engage the local community in 'having a say' in local road verge management but also helps to assist in the understanding and consideration given to wildlife through for example the planning process.

Social Evaluation Factors

- a) Is the site adjacent to or overlooked by, a residential area, i.e. a housing estate or large part of a village?
- b) Does the verge also have a footpath, cycleway or bridleway?
- c) Does it provide an 'entrance' into a settlement, i.e. is adjacent to?
- d) Is there any local historical or geological interest?
- e) Is the verge being proposed by the local parish or town council?

If any of the above questions can be answered 'Yes' then the criterion is met

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