Cambridgeshire and Peterborough County Wildlife Sites

Selection Guidelines

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CAMBRIDGESHIRE & PETERBOROUGH COUNTY WILDLIFE SITES PANEL

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The panel includes suitably qualified and experienced representatives from The Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire, Natural England, County, District and City Councils within Cambridgeshire, District Councils within Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Environmental Records Centre, Farming and Wildlife Advisory Group East and amateur recorders and recording groups including the Cambridgeshire Geological Society and the Cambridgeshire Flora Group. Its aim is to agree the basis for site selection, reviewing and amending them as necessary based on the best available biological information concerning the county.

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INTRODUCTION

The Selection Criteria are substantially based on <u>Guidelines for selection of biological SSSIs</u> published by the Nature Conservancy Council (succeeded by English Nature) in 1989. Appropriate modifications have been made to accommodate the aim of selecting a lower tier of sites, i.e. those sites of county and regional rather than national importance. Modifications have also been made to reflect the views of the numerous authorities consulted during the preparation of the Criteria. From time to time it is necessary to update or modify the criteria to reflect increased scientific knowledge and the changing status of species and habitats within the country and the county, and any selections should be made based on the most recent criteria.

The Criteria seek to apply concrete definitions and local thresholds to standard concepts of ecological evaluation such as diversity, rarity, size and typicalness. However, it should not be supposed that the selection of County Wildlife Sites is then a simple matter of rigid comparison between the site and the Criteria. The number of variables that go to make up the ecological value of a site is large and diverse in quality. Best professional judgment must be employed in the assessment of the merits of each individual site and it is then up to the Local Site Panel's discretion for whether a site is selected. The Criteria help to ensure that subjectivity in assessment is minimised and that a consistent approach to CWS selection is maintained. In some cases sites that do not meet the letter of the Criteria may be proposed for CWS status and, conversely, some sites that qualify on paper may not be proposed. A site will not be de-selected if it has suffered wilful neglect or malicious damage and there is the potential to restore ecological features that would enable qualification against the Criteria.

For a number of less well-known taxonomic groups, such as invertebrates, stoneworts, lichens and fungi, the Criteria are either not well developed or are completely lacking. In many cases it will be necessary to select sites using the knowledge and data of local experts in these groups. It is hoped that as the Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Environmental Records Centre builds up its database of biological information for the county, sufficient information will be available to develop Criteria to encompass these groups in a suitably detailed and rigorous way.

The Local Site System (including Local Geological and County Wildlife Sites) in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough is operated by the Local Sites Panel. The <u>Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Local Site System Handbook</u> sets out how the Local Site system operates in this area. It is aimed at all people who deal with CWSs and LGSs such as land owners and managers, local government officers and officers within statutory agencies. It should be read in conjunction with this document and details management and operation of the system, including the processes of site selection and monitoring, data handling and ratification through the Local Sites Panel.

Unless stated otherwise all uses of the term 'Cambridgeshire' refer to both the current administrative county of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough City Council.

Nomenclature for vascular plants follows *New Flora of the British Isles* 4th Edition, C.A. Stace, C&M Floristics, 2019. Other taxomomic groups have not been updated and may use a variety of different systems and need to be assessed carefully.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF COUNTY WILDLIFE SITES

1. WOODLAND, TREES and HEDGES

Appendix 1A - ancient woodland indicators, woodland plants & woody species for determining scrub and hedgerow value

Appendix 1B - guidelines for assessing veteran trees

Appendix 1C - fruit and nut species included in traditional orchards in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough

Appendix 1D- rare or scarce fruit varieties and varieties of local significance Appendix 1E - local traditional orchard management practices

- a **All ancient semi-natural woodlands** included in Cambridgeshire Inventory of Ancient Woodlands which retain over 25% semi-natural cover.
- b **Ancient woodlands over 75% replanted** included in Cambridgeshire Inventory of Ancient Woodlands and containing one of the following:
 - (i) more than 10 ancient woodland indicator species
 - (ii) more than 40 woodland plants
- c Ancient semi-natural woods under 2ha with one of the following:
 - (i) more than 5 ancient woodland indicator species
 - (ii) more than 30 woodland plants
 - (iii) good example of NVC W8 (ash field maple dog's mercury woodland)
 - (iv) good example of NVC W10 (pedunculate oak bracken bramble woodland)
- d Good examples of the following wet woodlands which are more than 0.5ha. in size:
 - (i) NVC W1 (grey willow marsh bedstraw)
 - (ii) NVC W2 (grey willow downy birch common reed)
 - (iii) NVC W6 (alder stinging nettle)
- e **Areas of scrub more than 0.5ha in extent** with NVC W21 (common hawthorn ivy) with more than 8 woody species.
- f **Hedges:** hedgerow systems at least 500m in length and more than 2m in width, with 5 or more woody species, and with at least part of the hedgerow allowed to flower and fruit. (Normal hedgerow management of coppicing or laying may mean that at least part of the system will not be at the optimum size or condition for wildlife at all times).
- g Pasture woodland and Parkland with either:
 - (i) an average of more than 5 mature trees per hectare
 - (ii) groups of 5-19 **veteran trees** when in association with other seminatural features such as grassland, hedgerows or woodlands
 - (iii) groups of 20 or more veteran trees, even in an arable setting

h Pollard willows:

- (i) groups of 5-19 mature pollard willows when in association with other semi-natural features such as grassland, ditches and rivers
- (ii) groups of 20 or more mature pollard willows, even in an arable setting

i Traditional Orchards:

Traditional orchards will be selected as CWS if they contain

1. A group of 5 or more top fruit¹ or nut trees² (see Appendix 1C for a list of species)

AND satisfy two or more of the following

Biological criteria

- 2. Contain at least 20% of veteran trees as defined in Appendix 1B.
- 3. The presence of a nationally rare or scarce species or species rare in the county
- 4. Associated natural or semi-natural habitat, within or adjacent to the site (e.g. woodland, unimproved grassland, ponds, hedgerows)

Cultural and aesthetic criteria

- 5. The presence of rare or scarce fruit varieties, or of varieties of local significance³
- 6. Continuing traditional orchard management practices that are sympathetic with biodiversity objectives <u>and</u> reflect local cultural traditions. See Appendix 1E for examples of local traditional orchard management practices.

Some sites, even if not accessible to the public, can be important visually or be reservoirs for wildlife in an intensively managed landscape. People's contact with wildlife and wildlife habitats in their home and work environments is important for promoting quality of life and well-being. Educational use and community involvement in management may also be important.

¹ Any fruit that grows or hangs from a tree.

² A tree that bears edible nuts.

³ Conserving genetic diversity is important as a social and economic resource and to preserve particular varieties that are now not common. See list in Appendix 1D.

2. GRASSLANDS

Appendix 2A - Cambridgeshire neutral and calcareous grassland indicator species

Appendix 2B - Cambridgeshire grassland species

Appendix 2C - Cambridgeshire indicator species for dry and wet acidic grasslands and open communities on sandy or acidic substrates

- a **Neutral grasslands** supporting at least 0.05 ha. (either in a block or as a number of smaller areas) of one or more of the following NVC communities:
 - (i) MG4 (meadow foxtail greater burnet flood meadow)
 - (ii) MG5 (crested dog's-tail common knapweed meadow and pasture)
 - (iii) MG8 (crested dog's-tail marsh marigold flood pasture)
 - (iv) MG11 (red fescue creeping bent silverweed inundation pasture)
 - (v) MG13 (creeping bent marsh foxtail inundation grassland)
- b **Calcareous grasslands** supporting at least 0.05 ha. (either in a block or as a number of smaller areas) of one or more of the following NVC communities:
 - (i) CG2 (sheep's fescue meadow oat-grass grassland)
 - (ii) CG3 (upright brome grassland)
 - (iii) CG4 (tor grass grassland)
 - (iv) CG5 (upright brome tor grass grassland)
 - (v) CG7 (sheep's fescue mouse-ear hawkweed wild thyme grassland)
- c Sites supporting locally frequent numbers of either:
 - (i) three or more strong neutral grassland indicator species
 - (ii) six or more strong calcareous grassland indicator species
- d Sites supporting locally frequent numbers of either:
 - (i) eight or more neutral grassland indicator species (strong and weak)
 - (ii) sixteen or more calcareous grassland indicator species (strong and weak)
- e Sites supporting more than 50 grassland species.
- f Acidic grasslands supporting at least 0.05 ha. (either in a block or as a number of smaller areas) of NVC U1 (sheep's fescue common bent sheep's sorrel grassland).

(At present there is insufficient field evidence and testing to set definitive thresholds for the numbers of strong and weak acid grassland indicator species required to select a County Wildlife Site in Cambridgeshire. In practice any site with substantial numbers and good quality habitats is likely to be worthy of selection).

g Long-established grassland over 1ha in size, which supports at least 8 neutral or calcareous grassland indicator species (of which at least 3 are strong) that have not been deliberately introduced.

3. FENS, SWAMPS AND MARSHES

- a Good examples of **topogenous fens supporting at least 0.05 ha.** (either in a block or as a number of smaller areas) of the following NVC communities:
 - (i) S24 (common reed milk parsley tall herb fen)
 - (ii) S2 (saw sedge swamp and sedge beds)
 - (iii) S3 (tussock sedge swamp)
 - (iv) S13 (lesser reed-mace swamp)
 - (v) S20 (grey club-rush swamp)
- b Good examples of **topogenous fens supporting at least 0.5 ha.** (either in a block or as a number of smaller areas) of the following NVC communities:
 - (i) S25 (common reed hemp agrimony tall herb fen)
 - (ii) S26 (common reed stinging nettle tall herb fen)
 - (iii) S4 (common reed swamp and reed-beds)
 - (iv) S5 (reed sweet-grass swamp)
 - (v) S6 (greater pond-sedge swamp)
 - (vi) S7 (lesser pond-sedge swamp)
- c Good examples of soligenous fens supporting NVC M13 (black bog-rush blunt flowered rush).
- d Good examples of **fen meadow** supporting at least 0.05 ha. (either in a block or as a number of smaller areas) of the following NVC communities:
 - (i) M22 (blunt-flowered rush marsh thistle fen meadow)
 - (ii) M24 (purple moor-grass meadow thistle fen meadow)
- e Good examples of **fen meadow** supporting at least 0.25 ha. of NVC community M27 (meadowsweet wild angelica mire).
- f **Continuous area of fen** of any category over 2.5 ha which is not appreciably degraded.
- g Sites at least 0.5 ha in extent containing well developed **vegetation mosaics** which represent hydroseral zonation.
- h Sites at least 0.1 ha in extent which have a **combination of two or more fen types.**
- i Chalk or limestone-derived **flushes**, **seepages or springs**, and their associated habitat, which are not appreciably degraded.

4. FRESHWATER HABITATS

Appendix 3 – Vascular plant list for submerged, floating, emergent and wetbank species found in an around water bodies

- a All **major rivers** together with adjacent semi-natural habitat (grassland, marsh, swamp, scrub, trees and woodland) unless the river has been grossly modified through canalization and/or poor water quality.
- b **Ponds and gravel pits** with one of the following:
 - (i) 5 submerged and floating species
 - (ii) 15 submerged, floating, emergent and wetbank species
- c **Strongly calcareous water bodies**, especially in flooded brickpits, chalkpits and chalk lodes with one of the following:
 - (i) 3 submerged and floating species
 - (ii) 10 submerged, floating, emergent and wetbank species
 - (iii) beds of stoneworts
- d Any water body with **three or more species of pondweed** (*Potamogetonaceae*).
- e **Ditches** with at least 5 submerged, floating and emergent species per 20m or at least 10 submerged, floating, emergent and wetbank species per 20m. (Normal ditch management will affect the apparent quality of a ditch, which is likely to reach its optimum state two to three years after slubbing out. This variation should be borne in mind when selecting sites.)

5. HABITAT MOSAICS

a Sites of more than 10ha. in size which support three or more of the following habitat features in close association:

unimproved/semi-improved grassland
'interesting' ruderal communities
mature trees
woodland (ancient and recent)
scrub
hedgerows
marshy grassland
swamp
open water including rivers, streams, ditches, ponds, pits and lakes

At least one habitat feature should either be of or closely approaching County Wildlife Site status in its own right. (Many of these sites will be of value for birds

and/or invertebrates, and may qualify under these criteria if sufficient data are

available for evaluation).

6. VASCULAR PLANTS

Appendix 4A - Nationally Rare and Nationally Scarce vascular plants found in Cambridgeshire & Peterborough

a Sites supporting populations of **Nationally Rare or Nationally Scarce species** (listed in Appendix 4A).

Sites should only be selected where it is known that the Nationally Rare or Nationally Scarce species have been established at the site for *at least* five years and are not the result of a recent human introduction.

b Sites supporting populations of species which are listed as rare or scarce on the relevant Rare Plant Register OR are present in six or fewer sites or areas in a vice-county where it is in the administrative area of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

Sites should only be selected where it is known that the locally rare or scarce species have been established at the site for *at least* five years and are not the result of a recent human introduction. For a site to be selected the panel must conclude that the presence of the species in that location has a high local nature conservation value, due to its relatively rarity and natural history significance.

When considering total number of sites or areas within a vice-county for the species, what is regarded as a site or area is left to the discretion of the panel.

Note that the administrative area of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough is covered by three vice-counties. Refer to latest BSBI rare plant registers for the appropriate vice-county (Cambridgeshire, 29; Huntingdonshire, 31; Northamptonshire, 32), available from https://bsbi.org/rare-plant-registers. The local vice-county recorders should be contacted to determine whether a site should be selected on the basis of a locally rare or scarce plant species, as not all plants on the BSBI rare plant registers are of County Wildlife Site interest (e.g. some might be non-native introductions).

c Sites which support outstanding assemblages of arable plant species on arable or disturbed ground either within the whole site or along its margins with a score of at least 30 for calcareous soils and at least 20 for sandy soils, gravels and heavy clays (see Appendix 4B for Plantlife scoring).

7. NON-VASCULAR PLANTS

- a Sites supporting populations of **nationally rare** or **nationally scarce species**.
- b Sites listed as **important** in the Bryophyte Site Registers (NCC 1985) for Huntingdonshire and Cambridgeshire.

8. MAMMALS

- a **Breeding roosts of the following bats:**
 - (i) Natterer's bat
 - (ii) Daubenton's bat
 - (iii) Brandt's bat
 - (iv) Serotine bat
 - (v) Noctule bat
 - (vi) Leisler's bat
 - (vii)Whiskered bat
 - (viii) Barbastelle bat

All sites to include any nearby land regularly used for feeding.

- b Significant bat hibernation roosts
- c Sites containing confirmed breeding populations of the **common dormouse**.

9. BIRDS

Appendix 5A - Estimated national numbers of birds breeding and wintering in Britain species relevant to Cambridgeshire

Appendix 5B - Breeding bird indices

Appendix 5C - Rare breeding birds in Cambridgeshire

In all cases a site should have qualified for four out of the last five years.

- a A site which regularly contains **0.5% or more of the total British non-breeding population** of any species during any period (e.g. wintering, non-breeding summer, moulting, passage).
- b A site which supports a **range of breeding birds** with a value equal to or exceeding the following indices:
 - (i) Lowland damp grassland:11
 - (ii) Lowland fen without open water: 13
 - (iii) Lowland open water and margins: 24
 - (iv) Scrub: 10
 - (v) Woodland: 26
- c Breeding sites of a **county rarity**.
- d The five largest colonies of **breeding colonial seabirds**, **sand martins or herons**, provided the colony contains more than ten pairs.
- e Wet meadows containing more than three species and/or six pairs of **breeding** wader.
- f Localities with one of the following recorded in the last five years:
 - (i) 50 breeding species
 - (ii) 60 wintering species
 - (iii) 100 passage species

10. AMPHIBIANS AND REPTILES

Appendix 6 - Scoring system for the selection of sites with assemblages of amphibians

Sites identified under this schedule should exclude gardens, swimming pools and any known introduced populations.

- a Sites supporting populations of adder.
- b Sites containing water bodies where more than **50 individual great crested newts** can be counted at night or bottle-trapped during the breeding season.
- c Sites supporting good or exceptional populations of **palmate newt.**
- d Sites supporting at least **three amphibian species** and a minimum score of 6 using the table in Appendix 6.
- e Ponds and lakes supporting **common toads** where more than 500 individuals can be counted in the water or where more than 2500 are estimated to breed.

11. INVERTEBRATES

Appendix 7A – Regionally Red-Listed species of butterflies in Great Britain

Appendix 7B – The Odonata Red Data List for Great Britain

Appendix 7C - Beetles indicative of continuity of saproxylic habitats, and the method of calculation of the index of ecological continuity

Appendix 7D - Invertebrate Index Scores

1. Butterflies

- a All sites supporting populations of **critically endangered**, **endangered or vulnerable species**.
- b Sites supporting one of the five strongest populations in the county of **near threatened species.**

2. Dragonflies

- a All sites supporting populations of **critically endangered, endangered or vulnerable species.**
- b Sites supporting one of the five strongest populations in the county of **near threatened species.**
- c Any site supporting **twelve or more species**.

For sections 1 and 2 above all records should have been made within 5 years of the selection date. Only confirmed breeding records should be considered. Recent deliberate introductions should not be included.

3. Saproxylic beetles

a Sites with an **ecological continuity index greater than 8** should be considered for inclusion. Records must be post-1950 (in line with requirements for calculating the Index of Ecological Continuity).

4. Water beetles

a Any site supporting **more than 35 species** should be considered for inclusion.

5. White-clawed Crayfish

a Any site supporting **White-clawed Crayfish** should be considered for inclusion.

6. General

- a Any site with an **invertebrate index exceeding 500** (calculated as summation of scores per status using the table in Appendix 7D) should be considered for inclusion. Records should have been made within 20 years of the selection or review date.
- b* Any site with an A, B or C grading in the JNCC **Invertebrate Site Register** unless re-survey shows that the site has been significantly degraded since the creation of the Register.
 - *Note that this criterion is historical only and should not be used to select new sites. Existing sites with this criterion are being reviewed to see if they qualify under 11.6a instead.
- c Any site supporting significant populations of **Red Data Book or nationally scarce species.** (Butterflies and dragonflies are dealt with under sections 1 and 2 above).

Further advice

Invertebrate data needs to be interpreted carefully, not least because, more than in most groups, the apparent interest of a site can be greatly influenced by recording effort. Also, a site may score highly on a miscellany of species without these collectively indicating a site or habitat of very high quality. Specialist advice should be sought from the Wildlife Trust for all prospective sites.

Records should be within the dates specified, but where a site has not been subject to a specialist invertebrate re-survey, older records can still be used and a site should be retained as a CWS unless there is evidence that the integrity of habitats has changed (e.g. major change in tree cover on woodland sites, loss of pond features on wetland sites).

APPENDIX 1A

ANCIENT WOODLAND INDICATORS, WOODLAND PLANTS, WOODY SPECIES FOR DETERMINING SCRUB AND HEDGEROW VALUE

Species marked with * may only be included in a count if veteran specimens are present. See Appendix 1B for identification of veteran trees.

AWI list updated following review of other published lists and analysis of known occurrences, February 2025. List updated to Stace IV nomenclature, October 2019.

Scientific name	Common name	AWI	Woodland plant	W21 scrub	Hedgerow value
Acer campestre	Field Maple	*	Y	Υ	Υ
Adoxa moschatellina	Moschatel	Υ	Y		
Agrimonia procera	Fragrant Agrimony		Y		
Ajuga reptans	Bugle		Y		
Alliaria petiolata	Garlic Mustard		Y		
Allium ursinum	Ramsons	Υ	Y		
Alnus glutinosa	Alder		Y		
Anemone nemorosa	Wood Anemone	Υ	Y		
Aquilegia vulgaris	Columbine		Y		
Arctium minus	Lesser Burdock		Y		
Arum maculatum	Cuckoo-pint		Y		
Athyrium filix-femina	Lady-fern		Y		
Atropa belladonna	Deadly Nightshade		Y		
Betonica officinalis	Betony		Υ		
Betula pendula	Silver Birch		Y	Υ	
Betula pubescens	Downy Birch		Y		
Blechnum spicant	Hard-fern	Y	Y		
Brachypodium sylvaticum	Wood False-brome		Υ		
Bromopsis ramosa	Hairy Brome		Y		
Calamagrostis canescens	Purple Small-reed	Υ	Y		
Calamagrostis epigejos	Wood Small-reed		Y		
Campanula latifolia	Giant Bellflower	Υ	Y		
Campanula trachelium	Nettle-leaved Bellflower	Y	Y		
Cardamine flexuosa	Wavy Bitter-cress		Y		
Carex pallescens	Pale Sedge	Υ	Y		
Carex pendula	Pendulous Sedge		Y		
Carex remota	Remote Sedge	Y	Y		
Carex strigosa	Thin-spiked Wood-sedge	Υ	Y		
Carex sylvatica	Wood-sedge	Υ	Υ		
Carpinus betulus	Hornbeam		Υ		Υ
Chrysosplenium oppositifolium	Opposite-leaved Golden- saxifrage	Y	Y		
Circaea lutetiana	Enchanter's-nightshade		Y		
Clematis vitalba	Traveller's-joy		Y		
Conopodium majus	Pignut	Υ	Y		
Convallaria majalis	Lily-of-the-valley	Υ	Y		
Cornus sanguinea	Dogwood		Y	Υ	Υ
Corylus avellana	Hazel		Y	Υ	Υ
Crataegus laevigata	Midland Hawthorn	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ
Crataegus monogyna	Common Hawthorn		Y	Υ	Υ

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Dactylorhiza fuchsii	Common Spotted-orchid		Υ		
Daphne laureola	Spurge-laurel		Υ		Υ
Deschampsia cespitosa	Tufted Hair-grass		Y		
Digitalis purpurea	Foxglove		Υ		
Dipsacus pilosus	Small Teasel		Υ		
Dryopteris affinis ssp. affinis	Golden-scaled Male-fern	Υ	Y		
Dryopteris affinis ssp. borreri	Borrer's Male-fern	Υ	Υ		
Dryopteris carthusiana	Narrow Buckler-fern		Υ		
Dryopteris dilatata	Broad-leaved Buckler-fern		Υ		
Dryopteris filix-mas	Male-fern		Y		
Elymus caninus	Bearded Couch		Y		
Epilobium montanum	Broad-leaved Willowherb		Y		
Epipactis helleborine	Broad-leaved Helleborine	Υ	Y		
Epipactis purpurata	Violet Helleborine	Y	Y		
Ervilia sylvatica	Wood Vetch	Y	Y		
Euonymus europaeus	Spindle	Y	Y	Υ	Υ
Euphorbia amygdaloides	Wood Spurge	Y	Y	'	'
Euphorbia lathyris	Caper Spurge	'	Y		
Ficaria verna	Lesser Celandine		Y		
Filipendula ulmaria	Meadowsweet		Y		
,	Wild Strawberry		Y		
Fragaria vesca Frangula alnus	Alder Buckthorn		Y		Υ
Frangula alnus Fraxinus excelsior	Ash		Y	Υ	Y
			Y	Y	Y
Gagea lutea	Yellow Star-of-bethlehem	Y			
Galium odoratum	Sweet Woodruff	Y	Y		
Geranium robertianum	Herb-robert		Y		
Geum rivale	Water Avens	Υ	Y		
Geum urbanum	Wood Avens		Y		
Glechoma hederacea	Ground-ivy		Υ		
Hedera helix [mature, woody, 'flowering']	Ivy [mature, woody, 'flowering']		Y	Y	Y
Hedera helix [young, unflowering]	Ivy [young, unflowering]		Y		
Helleborus viridis	Green Hellebore	Υ	Y		
Holcus mollis	Creeping Soft-grass	Υ	Y		
Hordelymus europaeus	Wood Barley	Υ	Υ		
Hyacinthoides non-scripta	Bluebell	Υ	Υ		
Hylotelephium telephium	Orpine	Υ	Υ		
Hypericum hirsutum	Hairy St. John's-wort	Υ	Υ		
llex aquifolium	Holly		Υ	Υ	Υ
Iris foetidissima	Stinking Iris		Υ		
Lamiastrum galeobdolon ssp. montanum	Yellow Archangel	Υ	Y		
Lapsana communis	Nipplewort		Υ		
Lathraea squamaria	Toothwort	Υ	Y		
Lathyrus linifolius	Bitter Vetch	Υ	Υ		
Lathyrus sylvestris	Narrow-leaved Everlasting Pea	Υ	Υ		
Ligustrum vulgare	Wild Privet		Y	Υ	Υ
Lithospermum officinale	Common Gromwell		Y		
Lonicera periclymenum	Honeysuckle		Y		
Luzula multiflora [both spp.]	Heath Wood-rush		Y		
Luzula pilosa	Hairy Wood-rush	Υ	Y		
Luzula sylvatica	Great Wood-rush	Y	Y		

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Lysimachia nemorum	Yellow Pimpernel	Y	Y		
Lysimachia nummularia	Creeping-jenny		Y		
Malus sylvestris	Crab Apple	*	Y	Υ	Υ
Melampyrum cristatum	Crested Cow-wheat	Y	Y		
Melampyrum pratense	Common Cow-wheat	Y	Y		
Melica nutans	Mountain Melick	Y	Y		
Melica uniflora	Wood Melick	Y	Υ		
Mercurialis perennis	Dog's Mercury	Y	Υ		
Milium effusum	Wood Millet	Y	Y		
Moehringia trinervia	Three-veined Sandwort	Y	Υ		
Neottia nidus-avis	Bird's-nest Orchid	Y	Υ		
Neottia ovata	Common Twayblade		Υ		
Ophrys insectifera	Fly Orchid	Y	Υ		
Orchis mascula	Early-purple Orchid	Y	Y		
Oxalis acetosella	Wood-sorrel	Y	Y		
Paris quadrifolia	Herb-paris	Υ	Y		
Pimpinella major	Greater Burnet-saxifrage	Y	Y		
Platanthera chlorantha	Greater Butterfly-orchid	Y	Y		
Poa nemoralis	Wood Meadow-grass	'	Y		
Polypodium interjectum	Intermediate Polypody		Y		
Polypodium vulgare	Polypody		Y		
Polystichum setiferum	Soft Shield-fern		Y		
Populus tremula	Aspen	*	Y		Υ
Potentilla anglica	Trailing Tormentil		Y		<u>'</u>
Potentilla sterilis	Barren Strawberry	Y	Y		
Primula elatior	Oxlip	Y	Y		
Primula vulgaris	Primrose	Y	Y		
Prunella vulgaris	Selfheal	1	Y		
Prunus avium	Wild cherry		Y		
Prunus spinosa	Blackthorn		Y	Υ	Υ
Pteridium aquilinum	Bracken		Y	I	I
•	Wild Pear	*	Y		Y
Pyrus pyraster		*	Y		Y
Quercus petraea	Sessile Oak			V	
Quercus robur	Pedunculate Oak		Y	Y	Y
Ranunculus auricomus	Goldilocks Buttercup	Y	Y		
Rhamnus carthartica	Purging Buckthorn		Y	Y	Υ
Ribes rubrum	Redcurrant				
Rosa arvensis	Field Rose		Y	Y	Y
Rosa caesia	Northern Dog-rose		Y		Y
Rosa canina agg.	Dog rose		Y	Y	Y
Rosa stylosa	Short-styled Field-rose		Y		Y
Rosa tomentella	Round-leaved Dog-rose	,,,	Y		Y
Rosa tomentosa	Harsh Downy-rose	Y	Y		Y
Rosa sp.	Rose species or hybrid		Y		Y
Rubus caesius	Dewberry		Y		
Rubus fruticosus agg.	Bramble		Y		
Rubus idaeus	Raspberry		Y		
Rumex sanguineus	Wood dock		Y		
Salix caprea	Goat Willow		Y		Υ
Salix cinerea	Grey Willow		Y	Υ	Y
Sambucus nigra	Elder		Y	Υ	Υ
Sanicula europaea	Sanicle		Y		

Scientific name	Common name	AWI	Woodland plant	W21 scrub	Hedgerow value
Schedonorus giganteus	Giant Fescue		Y		
Scrophularia nodosa	Common Figwort	Y	Υ		
Silene dioica	Red Campion		Υ		
Silene flos-cuculi	Ragged-robin		Y		
Sorbus torminalis	Wild Service-tree	Y	Υ		Υ
Stachys sylvatica	Hedge Woundwort		Y		
Stellaria holostea	Greater Stitchwort		Υ		
Tamus communis	Black Bryony		Υ		
Teucrium scorodonia	Wood Sage		Υ		
Tilia cordata	Small-leaved Lime	*	Y		Y
Ulmus glabra	Wych Elm	*	Y	Υ	Y
Ulmus minor subsp. minor	Small-leaved Elm		Υ	Υ	Υ
Ulmus procera	English Elm		Υ	Υ	Υ
Ulmus sp.	Elm species		Y	Υ	Y
Veronica chamaedrys	Germander Speedwell		Υ		
Veronica montana	Wood Speedwell	Y	Y		
Viburnum lantana	Wayfaring-tree		Υ	Υ	Υ
Viburnum opulus	Guelder-rose		Υ		Υ
Vicia sepium	Bush Vetch	Y	Y		
Viola odorata	Sweet Violet		Y		
Viola reichenbachiana	Early Dog-violet	Y	Υ		
Viola riviniana	Common Dog-violet		Y		

APPENDIX 1B

GUIDELINES FOR ASSESSING VETERAN TREES

These guidelines are intended to assist in the identification of trees that could be considered as 'veteran', whether they are native or non-native, singular or in groups. These guidelines will be useful when considering wood pasture and hedgerow county wildlife sites.

Veteran trees are important features in the English landscape and for a host of wildlife. The holes and hollows are suitable sites for roosting bats and nesting birds. Hundreds of different fungi, lichens and invertebrates depend on ancient trees. Rotten wood is an extremely valuable habitat especially if it is still standing.

The term 'veteran tree' is not one of precise definition, but encompasses trees defined by three guiding principles (Read, H., English Nature2000)

- 1. Trees of interest, biologically, aesthetically or culturally because of their age, size or condition (some of these are obvious others are not)
- 2. Trees in an ancient stage of their life
- 3. Trees that are old relative to others of the same species.

NB Girth is not a reliable criterion as different species and individuals have different life spans and growth rates. Age is also not an absolute indicator. It is the features of a tree which should and be used to assess if it is veteran or not. The more features the tree displays the stronger the indication it is veteran.

Features indicative of high value are shown in the table below (English Nature 2000):

hollow areas on trunks or main branches (>150mm)
small holes in trunk or branches (<150mm)
water filled tree pools on tree or roots
Red, brown or white
large amounts of deadwood in crown or on ground
sap stains, loose old thick bark
live branches which have broken with shattered ends
wood fibre separation
wet exudes from the surface of the bark, wounds or holes
from insect tunnelling with dry powdery residues
ssociated with veteran trees
bracket fungi, toadstools with cap and stalk, skin like covering
beetles, hoverflies, spiders, millipedes etc
large birds occupying cavities or nesting birds
bats, rodents
snakes or lizards under loose bark
lichens, ferns, ivy, moss etc

APPENDIX 1C

FRUIT AND NUT SPECIES INCLUDED IN TRADITIONAL ORCHARDS IN CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH

Malus encompassing all varieties of apple Pyrus encompassing all varieties of pear

Prunus encompassing all varieties of edible, cultivated prunus: plum, gage,

quetsche, damson, myrobalan, cherries and hybrids thereof

Quince Medlar

Black mulberry

Apricot Peach Walnut

Hazelnut encompassing all varieties of hazel, filbert, cob and hybrids thereof

APPENDIX 1D

LIST OF RARE OR SCARCE FRUIT VARIETIES AND VARIETIES OF LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE

The lists below contain the varieties and tree types of those varieties that are important in terms of top fruit conservation in Cambridgeshire. Tree types as well as varieties because:

- Any <u>veteran</u> tree that is not one of the listed exceptions is of interest. In reality, most
 veterans are one of a handful of known varieties and fruit identification will usually
 exclude the tree as a CWS criterion. However, if the tree cannot be identified, then it
 should be preserved if possible at least until propagation material has been taken
 and successfully propagated.
- Clonal variety becomes more and more prevalent as time passes and more and more propagation is carried out. Mature trees of the listed varieties may often be closer to the original source than the clones present in the National Fruit Collection today. This is especially true of old trees close to the original source.
- It is desirable to exclude new plantings of local varieties as a CWS criterion most of these will (usually) arise from a single clone held in the National Fruit Collection.

Varieties that are rare or are of local significance fall into 4 categories:

1. Any <u>veteran</u> fruit tree that cannot be identified by East of England Apples and Orchards Project (EEAOP), National Fruit Collections (NFC), Royal Horticultural Society RHS, or an organisation of similar standing.

The majority of veteran fruit trees in Cambridgeshire will be of the following types and are readily identifiable:

Malus	Pyrus	Prunus
Bramley's Seedling	Conference	Myrobalan
Newton Wonder	William's (aka Barton)	-
Blenheim Orange	Comice	

2. Any named and verified top fruit variety that does not appear in the National Fruit Collections

3. Any mature trees of the following varieties

Malus	Prunus
Barnack Beauty	Willingham Gage*
Chiver's Delight	Cambridge Gage
Cockett's Red	Wallis's Wonder*
Cottenham Seedling	
Emneth Early	
Green Harvey	
Histon Favourite	
Hunter's Majestic	
Huntingdon Codlin	
Jolly Miller*	
Lord Peckover	
Lady Hollendale	
Morley's Seedling	
Murfitt's Seedling	
New Rock Pippin	
Perfection *	
Red Victoria	
St Everard	
Thoday's Quarrenden	
Wayside	

^{*}These varieties are not currently held in the National Fruit Collections and have only been recorded in specific orchards in Cambs. They are of great local significance and considerably at risk until further propagation and distribution has occurred.

[&]quot;Named" being the name known to the orchard owners

[&]quot;Verified" being agreed to match a varietal description by one of the organisations mentioned in 1.

4. Any of the 'Lost' Cambridgeshire apple varieties

There are more than 20 named varieties of apple documented as having Cambridgeshire origins. Some of these 'lost' varieties were last recorded just over fifty years ago, so it's quite likely that old trees still survive. If any of these names below are mentioned by orchard owners PLEASE CONTACT EEAOP IMMEDIATELY.

Area	Name	Description
Chatteris	Mrs. Ward	In existence 1884. First recorded 1872. Scarlet Nonpareil x?. Raised by Lawrence, nurseryman, Size: small. Shape: intermediate, truncate-conic, convex, not ribbed. Skin: yellow or orange, flushed deep scarlet, occasional russet patches. Flesh: firm, pale yellow. Flavour: sub-acid. Season: mid – very late.
Cottenham area	John Norman	Last recorded 1946. Similar I shape to the Berkshire variety Charles Ross but duller in colour. Eye more open with long sepals and a thick short stalk.
	Queenholme Seedling	Exhibited 1898 RHS from Cottenham (only record). Size: medium. Shape: rectangular to truncate-conic, convex, ribbed. Skin: pale greenish yellow, flushed pale red. Flesh: dry. Season: very late.
Histon area	Colwell	Grown locally and only mentioned once in 1936. No description.
	Histon Cropper	First described in 1919 and raised by John Chivers of Histon. Last recorded in 1947 Size: large. Shape conic, convex, not ribbed. Skin: green flushed red. Season mid.
	Barton	In existence1946. Resembles a Worcester Pearmain. Size medium. Shape: inter mediate, truncate conic ribbed and convex. Season: mid., Skin: green flushed and striped red.
Huntingdon	Woodley's Favourite	Exhibited 1888 RHS from Huntingdon. First recorded 1883. Size: large. Shape: intermediate, rectangular, convex, ribbed. Skin: greenish yellow Season: mid.
Peterborough area	Jenny Brewster	Exhibited at RHS in 1894 (only record). Possibly raised by Rev. Brewster.
	Orton Favourite	Exhibited 1894 RHS from Orton Longville (only record). Size: :large. Skin: red. Season: early – mid.
	Paston	Exhibited 1905 RHS (only record) from P/borough Season: mid.
	Leyden Pippin	Exhibited 1883 RHS (only record) from P/borough Size: medium. Shape: conic, ribbed on body. Skin green flushed with bronze. Flavour: sweet.

	Scarlet Russet	Exhibited 1883 RHS from Orton Hall near Peterborough. First recorded 1831. Size: small. Shape: conical. Skin: yellow with russet, flushed red. Flesh: firm. Flavour: sweet. Season: mid.	
	Triumph	Exhibited 1904 RHS (only record) from Peterborough.	
	Wadlow Exhibited 1902. Only record. Season Pride		
	Pinder's Seedling	Exhibited 1900 RHS. Only record. Season: mid.	
Wisbech area	James Kirk	Catalogued 1949. Award of Merit RHS 1905. Exhibited by Cross of Wisbech. Size: medium. Shape: truncate-conic, convex. Skin: greenish yellow striped red. Flesh: crisp. Flavour: acid. Season: late.	
	Lord Kitchener	Exhibited 1899 RHS from Wisbech (only record). Size: large. Season: early.	
	Scarlet Beauty	Exhibited at 1906 RHS from Wisbech (only record). No description.	
Cambridge	Haggerstone Pippin	A late season dessert apple raised by Mr Haggerstone in about 1805 from the seed of an American apple variety	
Cambridgeshire	Turbanks	Exhibited 1883 RHS from Cambridgeshire (only record). No description.	

Local fruit identification contacts Email info@eeaop.org.uk or orchardbob@gmail.com

APPENDIX 1E

LOCAL TRADITIONAL MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

Local traditional management practices include the following:

- Growing soft⁴ fruit, vegetables or flowers between the trees, as long as this practice is not detrimental to the trees
- Continuing any cultural practice (e.g. cultivation programme) that has fostered the
 existence of a nationally rare or scarce or county rare species as listed within the
 Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Traditional Orchards Biodiversity Action Plan
- Pruning and training techniques that are considered traditional to the county, including the creation and maintenance of open centre trees with a short trunk

 $^{\rm 4}$ fruit that grows on bushes, such as gooseberry and currant.

APPENDIX 2A

CAMBRIDGESHIRE & PETERBOROUGH NEUTRAL & CALCAREOUS GRASSLAND INDICATORS

NG – neutral grassland; CG – calcareous grassland; * signifies strong indicators

List updated to Stace IV nomenclature, October 2019.

Scientific name	Common name	NG	NG*	CG	CG*
Achillea ptarmica	Sneezewort		у		
Agrimonia eupatoria	Agrimony	У		У	
Ajuga reptans	Bugle	У			
Alchemilla filicaulis ssp. vestita	Hairy Lady's-mantle		У		
Anacamptis morio	Green-winged Orchid		У		
Anacamptis pyramidalis	Pyramidal Orchid		_		У
Anthyllis vulneraria	Kidney Vetch				У
Asperula cynanchica	Squinancywort				У
Astragalus danicus	Purple Milk-vetch				У
Avenula pubescens	Downy Oat-grass		у		У
Betonica officinalis	Betony		у		
Blackstonia perfoliata	Yellow-wort		·		У
Brachypodium rupestre	Tor-grass				y
Briza media	Quaking-grass		у		у
Bromopsis erecta	Upright Brome		,		у
Bromus racemosus / commutatus	Smooth / Meadow Brome		у		,
Bunium bulbocastanum	Great Pignut		,		у
Caltha palustris	Marsh-marigold		у		,
Campanula glomerata	Clustered Bellflower		,		у
Campanula rotundifolia	Harebell				у
Cardamine pratensis	Cuckooflower	у			,
Carex caryophyllea	Spring-sedge	,	у		у
Carex disticha	Brown Sedge		у		,
Carex ericetorum	Rare Spring-sedge		,		у
Carex flacca	Glaucous Sedge		у		У
Carex nigra	Common Sedge		y		y
Carex panicea	Carnation Sedge		у		
Carex spicata	Spiked Sedge		y		
Carlina vulgaris	Carline Thistle		y		у
Centaurea nigra / debeauxii	Common / Chalk Knapweed	у		у	y
Centaurea scabiosa	Greater Knapweed	,		,	У
Centaurium erythraea	Common Centaury	у		у	y
Cirsium acaule	Dwarf Thistle	,	У	,	у
Cirsium eriophorum	Woolly Thistle		y		У
Clinopodium acinos	Basil-thyme				У
Clinopodium vulgare	Wild Basil				У
Conopodium majus	Pignut	W			У
Dactylorhiza fuchsii	Common Spotted-orchid	у	У		\/
Dactylorhiza incarnata	Early Marsh-orchid				У
Dactylorniza incarnata Dactylorhiza praetermissa	Southern Marsh-orchid		У		
Danthonia decumbens	Heath-grass		y		
Eleocharis palustris	Common Spike-rush		У		
Euphrasia nemorosa	Eyebright	У	\/		\/
Euphrasia pseudokerneri	Chalk Eyebright		У		У
					У
Festuca ovina	Sheep's-fescue			<u> </u>	У

Scientific name	Common name	NG	NG*	CG	CG*
Ficaria verna	Lesser Celandine	У			
Filipendula vulgaris	Dropwort		у		У
Fritillaria meleagris	Fritillary		у		
Galium uliginosum	Fen Bedstraw		у		
Galium verum	Lady's Bedstraw	У		у	
Genista tinctoria	Dyer's Greenweed		у		
Gentianella amarella	Autumn Gentian				у
Geranium pratense	Meadow Crane's-bill	У			
Gymnadenia conopsea	Fragrant Orchid				у
Helianthemum nummularium	Common Rock-rose				у
Helictochloa pratensis	Meadow Oat-grass		У		у
Himantoglossum hircinum	Lizard Orchid				У
Hippocrepis comosa	Horseshoe Vetch				У
Hordeum secalinum	Meadow Barley	У			,
Hypericum perforatum	Perforate St.John's-wort			у	
Hypericum tetrapterum	Square-stemmed St. John's-wort	У			
Hypochaeris maculata	Spotted Cat's-ear	,			у
Inula conyzae	Ploughman's-spikenard				У
Jacobaea aquatica	Marsh Ragwort		у		,
Jacobaea erucifolia	Hoary Ragwort	У		У	
Juncus compressus	Round-fruited Rush	У			
Knautia arvensis	Field Scabious	,	у		у
Koeleria macrantha	Crested Hair-grass		у		у
Lathyrus nissolia	Grass Vetchling		у		,
Lathyrus pratensis	Meadow Vetchling	У	,		
Leontodon hispidus	Rough Hawkbit	,	у		у
Leontodon saxatilis	Lesser Hawkbit		y		У
Leucanthemum vulgare	Oxeye Daisy	у	,	у	,
Linum catharticum	Fairy Flax	,	у	,	у
Linum perenne	Perennial Flax		,		У
Lotus corniculatus	Common Bird's-foot-trefoil	у		у	y
Lotus pedunculatus	Greater Bird's-foot Trefoil	У		y	
Luzula campestris	Field Wood-rush	У			
Lysimachia nummularia	Creeping-Jenny	У			
Neottia ovata	Common Twayblade	У			
Oenanthe fistulosa	Tubular Water-dropwort	,	у		
Oenanthe lachenalii	Parsley Water-dropwort		y		
Oenanthe silaifolia	Narrow-leaved Water-dropwort		у		
Onobrychis viciifolia	Sainfoin		,		У
Ononis repens	Common Restharrow		у		У
Ononis spinosa	Spiny Restharrow		y		У
Ophioglossum vulgatum	Adder's-tongue Fern		у		y
Orchis anthropophora	Man Orchid		,		у
Origanum vulgare	Marjoram				У
Orobanche elatior	Knapweed Broomrape				У
Pastinaca sativa	Wild Parsnip			У	y
Picris hieracioides	Hawkweed Ox-tongue			y	у
Pilosella officinarum	Mouse-ear Hawkweed				У
Pimpinella saxifraga	Burnet-saxifrage	у		у	y
Plantago media	Hoary Plantain	У		y	
Polygala vulgaris	Common Milkwort	У	у	У	У
Potentilla erecta	Tormentil		у		У
Potentilla sterilis	Barren Strawberry				
i otoritila sterilis	Danen Shawberry	I	У		

Scientific name	Common name	NG	NG*	CG	CG*
Poterium sanguisorba ssp. sanguisorba	Salad Burnet		У		у
Primula veris	Cowslip	у		У	
Primula vulgaris	Primrose	у			
Pulicaria dysenterica	Common Fleabane	у			
Pulsatilla vulgaris	Pasqueflower				у
Ranunculus auricomus	Goldilocks Buttercup	у			
Ranunculus flammula	Lesser Spearwort		У		
Rhinanthus minor	Yellow Rattle		У		у
Rumex acetosa	Common Sorrel	у			
Sanguisorba officinalis	Great Burnet		У		
Saxifraga granulata	Meadow Saxifrage		У		
Scabiosa columbaria	Small Scabious				у
Serratula tinctoria	Saw-wort		У		у
Seseli libanotis	Moon Carrot				у
Silaum silaus	Pepper-saxifrage		У		
Silene flos-cuculi	Ragged-Robin		У		
Stellaria graminea	Lesser Stitchwort	у			
Succisa pratensis	Devil's-bit Scabious		У		у
Tephroseris integrifolia	Field Fleawort				у
Thalictrum flavum	Common Meadow-rue		У		
Thalictrum minus	Lesser Meadow-rue				у
Thesium humifusum	Bastard-toadflax				у
Thymus drucei	Wild Thyme				у
Thymus pulegioides	Large Thyme				у
Trifolium fragiferum	Strawberry Clover	у			
Trifolium ochroleucon	Sulphur Clover		У		
Triglochin palustris	Marsh Arrow-grass		у		
Trisetum flavescens	Yellow Oat-grass	у		У	
Valeriana dioica	Marsh Valerian		У		
Viola canina	Heath Dog-violet		у		
Viola hirta	Hairy Violet		У		у

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APPENDIX 2B

GRASSLAND SPECIES

List produced January 2013 and updated to Stace IV nomenclature, October 2019.

Scientific name	Common name
Achillea millefolium	Yarrow
Achillea ptarmica	Sneezewort
Agrimonia eupatoria	Agrimony
Agrimonia procera	Fragrant Agrimony
Agrostis canina	Velvet Bent
Agrostis capillaris	Common Bent
Agrostis stolonifera	Creeping Bent
Agrostis vinealis	Brown Bent
Aira caryophyllea	Silver Hair-grass
Aira praecox	Early Hair-grass
Ajuga reptans	Bugle
Alchemilla filicaulis ssp. vestita	Hairy Lady's-mantle
Allium oleraceum	Field Garlic
Allium vineale	Crow Garlic
Alopecurus geniculatus	Marsh Foxtail
Alopecurus pratensis	Meadow Foxtail
Anacamptis morio	Green-winged Orchid
Anacamptis pyramidalis	Pyramidal Orchid
Angelica sylvestris	Wild Angelica
Anthoxanthum odoratum	Sweet Vernal-grass
Anthriscus caucalis	Bur Chervil
Anthriscus sylvestris	Cow Parsley
Anthyllis vulneraria	Kidney Vetch
Aphanes arvensis	Parsley-piert
Aphanes australis	Slender Parsley-piert
Arabidopsis thaliana	Thale Cress
Arabis hirsuta	Hairy Rock-cress
Arenaria serpyllifolia ssp. serpyllifolia	Thyme-leaved Sandwort
Arrhenatherum elatius	False Oat-grass
Asperula cynanchica	Squinancywort
Astragalus danicus	Purple Milk-vetch
Astragalus glycyphyllos	Wild Liquorice
Avenella flexuosa	Wavy Hair-grass
Avenula pubescens	Downy Oat-grass
Bellis perennis	Common Daisy
Betonica officinalis	Betony
Bistorta officinalis	Common Bistort
Blackstonia perfoliata	Yellow-wort
Blysmus compressus	Flat-sedge
Brachypodium pinnatum	Tor-grass
Brachypodium rupestre	Heath False-brome
Briza media	Quaking-grass
Bromopsis erecta	Upright Brome
Bromus hordeaceus ssp. hordeaceus	Common Soft-brome
Bromus racemosus / commutatus	Smooth / Meadow Brome
Bunium bulbocastanum	Great Pignut

Scientific name	Common name
Bupleurum tenuissimum	Slender Hare's-ear
Calamagrostis epigejos	Wood Small-reed
Calluna vulgaris	Heather
Caltha palustris	Marsh-marigold
Campanula glomerata	Clustered Bellflower
Campanula rotundifolia	Harebell
Cardamine flexuosa	Wavy Bitter-cress
Cardamine hirsuta	Hairy Bitter-cress
Cardamine pratensis	Cuckooflower
Carduus crispus	Welted Thistle
Carduus rutans	Musk Thistle
Carex acuta	Slender Tufted-sedge
Carex acutiformis	Lesser Pond-sedge
Carex arenaria	Sand Sedge
Carex binervis	Green-ribbed Sedge
Carex caryophyllea	Spring-sedge
Carex distans	Distant Sedge
Carex distans Carex disticha	Brown Sedge
Carex disticha Carex divulsa s.l.	
Carex divuisa s.i. Carex echinata	Grey/Many-leaved Sedge Star Sedge
	Rare Spring-sedge
Carex flagge	, č
Carex histo	Glaucous Sedge
Carex languing	Hairy Sedge
Carex leporina	Oval Sedge
Carex muricata ssp. pairae	Small-fruited Prickly-sedge
Carex nigra	Common Sedge
Carex otrubae	False Fox-sedge
Carex panicea	Carnation Sedge
Carex pilulifera	Pill Sedge
Carex spicata	Spiked Sedge
Carlina vulgaris	Carline Thistle
Catapodium rigidum	Fern-grass
Centaurea nigra / debeauxii	Common / Chalk Knapweed
Centaurea scabiosa	Greater Knapweed
Centaurium erythraea	Common Centaury
Centaurium pulchellum	Lesser Centaury
Cerastium arvense	Field Mouse-ear
Cerastium fontanum	Common Mouse-ear
Cerastium glomeratum	Sticky Mouse-ear
Cerastium semidecandrum	Little Mouse-ear
Cirsium acaule	Dwarf Thistle
Cirsium eriophorum	Woolly Thistle
Cirsium palustre	Marsh Thistle
Clinopodium acinos	Basil-thyme
Clinopodium ascendens	Common Calamint
Clinopodium nepeta	Lesser Calamint
Clinopodium vulgare	Wild Basil
Coeloglossum viride	Frog Orchid
Conopodium majus	Pignut
Crepis biennis	Rough Hawk's-beard
Crepis capillaris	Smooth Hawk's-beard
Cruciata laevipes	Crosswort
Cynoglossum officinale	Hound's-tongue

Scientific name	Common name	
Cynosurus cristatus	Crested Dog's-tail	
Dactylis glomerata	Cock's-foot	
Dactylorhiza fuchsii	Common Spotted-orchid	
Dactylorhiza incarnata	Early Marsh-orchid	
Dactylorhiza maculata	Heath Spotted-orchid	
Dactylorhiza praetermissa	Southern Marsh-orchid	
Danthonia decumbens	Heath-grass	
Daucus carota	Wild Carrot	
Deschampsia cespitosa	Tufted Hair-grass	
Dianthus armeria	Deptford Pink	
Dianthus deltoides	Maiden Pink	
Dipsacus fullonum	Wild Teasel	
Echium vulgare	Viper's-bugloss	
Eleocharis palustris	Common Spike-rush	
Epilobium palustre	Marsh Willowherb	
Equisetum palustre	Marsh Horsetail	
Erica tetralix	Cross-leaved Heath	
Erodium cicutarium	Common Stork's-bill	
Erophila verna	Common Whitlowgrass	
Ervilla hirsuta	Hairy Tare	
Ervum gracile	Slender Tare	
Ervum tetraspermum	Smooth Tare	
Eupatorium cannabinum	Hemp-agrimony	
Euphorbia cyparissias	Cypress Spurge	
Euphrasia nemorosa	Eyebright	
Euphrasia pseudokerneri	Chalk Eyebright	
Festuca ovina agg.	Sheep's Fescue [agg.]	
Festuca rubra	Red Fescue	
Ficaria verna	Lesser Celandine	
Filago lutescens	Red-tipped Cudweed	
Filago germanica	Common Cudweed	
Filago pyramidata	Broad-leaved Cudweed	
Filipendula ulmaria	Meadowsweet	
Filipendula vulgaris	Dropwort	
Fragaria vesca	Wild Strawberry	
Fritillaria meleagris	Fritillary	
Galium album	Hedge Bedstraw	
Galium palustre	Marsh-bedstraw	
Galium parisiense	Wall Bedstraw	
Galium saxatile	Heath Bedstraw	
Galium uliginosum	Fen Bedstraw	
Galium verum	Lady's Bedstraw	
Genista tinctoria	Dyer's Greenweed	
Gentianella amarella	Autumn Gentian	
Geranium columbinum	Long-stalked Crane's-bill	
Geranium dissectum	Cut-leaved Crane's-bill	
Geranium molle	Dove's-foot Crane's-bill	
Geranium pratense	Meadow Crane's-bill	
Geranium pusillum	Small-flowered Crane's-bill	
Geranium sanguineum	Bloody Crane's-bill	
Glechoma hederacea	Ground-ivy	
Gymnadenia conopsea	Fragrant Orchid	
Helianthemum nummularium	Common Rock-rose	

Scientific name	Common name	
Helictochloa pratensis	Meadow Oat-grass	
Heracleum sphondylium	Hogweed	
Herniaria glabra	Smooth Rupturewort	
Hieracium agg.	hawkweeds	
Himantoglossum hircinum	Lizard Orchid	
Hippocrepis comosa	Horseshoe Vetch	
Holcus lanatus	Yorkshire-fog	
Hordeum secalinum	Meadow Barley	
Hypericum hirsutum	Hairy St John's-wort	
Hypericum humifusum	Trailing St John's-wort	
Hypericum maculatum	Imperforate St John's-wort	
Hypericum perforatum	Perforate St John's-wort	
Hypericum pulchrum	Slender St John's-wort	
Hypericum tetrapterum	Square-stemmed St John's-wort	
Hypochaeris glabra	Smooth Cat's-ear	
Hypochaeris maculata	Spotted Cat's-ear	
Hypochaeris radicata	Cat's-ear	
Iberis amara	Wild Candytuft	
Inula conyzae	Ploughman's-spikenard	
Isolepis setacea	Bristle Club-rush	
Jacobaea aguatica	Marsh Ragwort	
Jacobaea erucifolia	Hoary Ragwort	
Juncus acutiflorus	Sharp-flowered Rush	
Juncus articulatus	Jointed Rush	
Juncus bulbosus	Bulbous Rush	
Juncus compressus	Round-fruited Rush	
Juncus conglomeratus	Compact Rush	
Juncus effusus	Soft-rush	
Juncus inflexus	Hard Rush	
Juncus subnodulosus	Blunt-flowered Rush	
Knautia arvensis	Field Scabious	
Koeleria macrantha	Crested Hair-grass	
Lathyrus aphaca	Yellow Vetchling	
Lathyrus nissolia	Grass Vetchling	
Lathyrus pratensis	Meadow Vetchling	
Leontodon hispidus	Rough Hawkbit	
Leontodon saxatilis	Lesser Hawkbit	
Leucanthemum vulgare	Oxeye Daisy	
Linaria vulgaris	Common Toadflax	
Linum catharticum	Fairy Flax	
Linum perenne	Perennial Flax	
Lithospermum officinale	Common Gromwell	
Logfia minima	Small Cudweed	
Lolium perenne	Perennial Rye-grass	
Lotus corniculatus	Common Bird's-foot-trefoil	
Lotus pedunculatus	Greater Bird's-foot-trefoil	
Lotus tenuis	Narrow-leaved Bird's-foot-trefoil	
Luzula campestris	Field Wood-rush	
Luzula multiflora	Heath Wood-rush	
Lycopus europaeus	Gypsywort	
Lysimachia nummularia	Creeping-Jenny	
Malva moschata	Musk-mallow	
Marrubium vulgare	White Horehound	

Scientific name	Common name
Medicago arabica	Spotted Medick
Medicago lupulina	Black Medick
Medicago minima	Bur Medick
Medicago sativa ssp. falcata	Sickle Medick
Melilotus altissimus	Tall Melilot
Mentha aquatica	Water Mint
Mentha arvensis	Corn Mint
Muscari neglectum	Grape-hyacinth
Myosotis discolor	Changing Forget-me-not
Myosotis ramosissima	Early Forget-me-not
Nardus stricta	Mat-grass
Neottia ovata	Common Twayblade
Nepeta cataria	Cat-mint
Odontites vernus	Red Bartsia
Oenanthe fistulosa	Tubular Water-dropwort
Oenanthe lachenalii	Parsley Water-dropwort
Oenanthe pimpinelloides	Corky-fruited Water-dropwort
Oenanthe silaifolia	Narrow-leaved Water-dropwort
Omalotheca sylvatica	Heath Cudweed
Onobrychis viciifolia	Sainfoin
Ononis repens	Common Restharrow
Ononis spinosa	Spiny Restharrow
Ophioglossum vulgatum	Adder's-tongue Fern
Ophrys apifera	Bee Orchid
Ophrys insectifera	Fly Orchid
Orchis anthropophora	Man Orchid
Origanum vulgare	Marjoram
Ornithopus perpusillus	Bird's-foot
Orobanche elatior	Knapweed Broomrape
Orobanche minor	Common Broomrape
Pastinaca sativa	Wild Parsnip
Phleum bertolonii	Smaller Cat's-tail
Phleum phleoides	Purple-stem Cat's-tail
Phleum pratense	Timothy
Picris hieracioides	Hawkweed Ox-tongue
Pilosella officinarum	Mouse-ear Hawkweed
Pimpinella major	Greater Burnet-saxifrage
Pimpinella saxifraga	Burnet-saxifrage
Plantago coronopus	Buck's-horn Plantain
Plantago lanceolata	Ribwort Plantain
Plantago media	Hoary Plantain
Poa angustifolia	Narrow-leaved Meadow-grass
Poa annua	Annual Meadow-grass
Poa compressa	Flattened Meadow-grass
Poa humilis	Spreading Meadow-grass
Poa pratensis	Smooth Meadow-grass
Poa trivialis	Rough Meadow-grass
Polygala serpyllifolia	Heath Milkwort
Polygala vulgaris	Common Milkwort
Potentilla anglica	Trailing Tormentil
Potentilla anserina	Silverweed
Potentilla argentea	Hoary Cinquefoil
Potentilla erecta	Tormentil

Scientific name	Common name	
Potentilla reptans	Creeping Cinquefoil	
Potentilla sterilis	Barren Strawberry	
Potentilla verna	Spring Cinquefoil	
Poterium sanguisorba ssp. sanguisorba	Salad Burnet	
Primula veris	Cowslip	
Primula vulgaris	Primrose	
Prunella vulgaris	Self-heal	
Pteridium aquilinum	Bracken	
Pulicaria dysenterica	Common Fleabane	
Pulsatilla vulgaris	Pasqueflower	
Ranunculus acris	Meadow Buttercup	
Ranunculus auricomus	Goldilocks Buttercup	
Ranunculus bulbosus	Bulbous Buttercup	
Ranunculus flammula	Lesser Spearwort	
Ranunculus parviflorus	Small-flowered Buttercup	
Ranunculus repens	Creeping Buttercup	
Reseda lutea	Wild Mignonette	
Rhinanthus minor	Yellow Rattle	
Rumex acetosa	Common Sorrel	
Rumex acetosella	Sheep's Sorrel	
Rumex pulcher	Fiddle Dock	
Sabulina tenuifolia	Fine-leaved Sandwort	
Sagina apetala	Annual Pearlwort	
Sagina nodosa	Knotted Pearlwort	
Salvia verbenaca	Wild Clary	
Samolus valerandi	Brookweed	
Sanguisorba officinalis	Great Burnet	
Saxifraga granulata	Meadow Saxifrage	
Saxifraga tridactylites	Rue-leaved Saxifrage	
Scabiosa columbaria	Small Scabious	
x Schedolium Ioliaceum	Hybrid Fescue	
Schedonorus arundinaceus	Tall Fescue	
Schedonorus pratensis	Meadow Fescue	
Scleranthus annuus	Annual Knawel	
Scorzoneroides autumnalis	Autumn Hawkbit	
Scrophularia nodosa	Common Figwort	
Sedum acre	Biting Stonecrop	
Senecio sylvaticus	Heath Groundsel	
Serratula tinctoria	Saw-wort	
Seseli libanotis	Moon Carrot	
Sherardia arvensis	Field Madder	
Silaum silaus	Pepper-saxifrage	
Silene flos-cuculi	Ragged-Robin	
Silene conica	Sand Catchfly	
Silene otites	Spanish Catchfly	
Silene vulgaris	Bladder Campion	
Sison amomum	Stone Parsley	
Sison segetum	Corn Parsley	
Spergula arvensis	Corn Spurrey	
Spergularia rubra	Sand Spurrey	
Stachys palustris	Marsh Woundwort	
Stellaria alsine	Bog Stitchwort	
Stellaria graminea	Lesser Stitchwort	

Scientific name	Common name	
Stellaria pallida	Lesser Chickweed	
Succisa pratensis	Devil's-bit Scabious	
Teesdalia nudicaulis	Shepherd's Cress	
Tephroseris integrifolia	Field Fleawort	
Teucrium scorodonia	Wood Sage	
Thalictrum flavum	Common Meadow-rue	
Thalictrum minus	Lesser Meadow-rue	
Thesium humifusum	Bastard-toadflax	
Thymus drucei	Wild Thyme	
Thymus pulegioides	Large Thyme	
Torilis nodosa	Knotted Hedge-parsley	
Tragopogon pratensis	Goat's-beard	
Trifolium arvense	Hare's-foot Clover	
Trifolium campestre	Hop Trefoil	
Trifolium dubium	Lesser Trefoil	
Trifolium fragiferum	Strawberry Clover	
Trifolium glomeratum	Clustered Clover	
Trifolium medium	Zigzag Clover	
Trifolium micranthum	Slender Trefoil	
Trifolium ochroleucon	Sulphur Clover	
Trifolium pratense	Red Clover	
·	White Clover	
Trifolium repens Trifolium scabrum		
	Rough Clover Knotted Clover	
Trifolium striatum		
Trifolium subterraneum	Subterranean Clover	
Triglochin palustris	Marsh Arrow-grass	
Trisetum flavescens	Yellow Oat-grass	
Turritis glabra	Tower Mustard	
Tussilago farfara	Colt's-foot	
Valeriana dioica	Marsh Valerian	
Valeriana officinalis	Common Valerian	
Valerianella locusta	Common Cornsalad Dark Mullein	
Verbascum nigrum		
Verbascum pulverulentum	Hoary Mullein	
Verbascum thapsus	Great Mullein Vervain	
Verbena officinalis		
Veronica arvensis	Wall Speedwell	
Veronica chamaedrys	Germander Speedwell	
Veronica officinalis	Heath Speedwell	
Veronica serpyllifolia	Thyme-leaved Speedwell	
Veronica spicata ssp. spicata	Spiked Speedwell	
Vicia cracca	Tufted Vetch	
Visio active accoming	Spring Vetch	
Vicia sativa ssp. nigra	Common Vetch	
Viola canina	Heath Dog-violet	
Viola hirta	Hairy Violet	
Viola odorata	Sweet Violet	
Viola riviniana	Common Dog-violet	
Viola tricolor	Wild Pansy	
Vulpia bromoides	Squirrel-tail Fescue	
Vulpia ciliata ssp. ambigua	Bearded Fescue	
Vulpia myuros	Rat's-tail Fescue	

APPENDIX 2C

VASCULAR PLANT AND LICHEN INDICATOR SPECIES FOR DRY AND WET ACIDIC GRASSLANDS AND OPEN COMMUNITIES ON SANDY OR ACIDIC SUBSTRATES

The following list includes indicator species for various grassland and more open communities:

- dry acid grassland communities such as U1 (Festuca ovina Agrostis capillaris - Rumex acetosella)
- the acid/calcareous open communities of the Breck sands (Chippenham & Kennett) and glacial sand/gravel deposits (as exemplified by Hildersham Furze Hills)
- communities grading into the acid end of MG5 (MG5c, Cynosurus cristatus Centaurea nigra grassland, Danthonia decumbens sub-community)
- wet, mineral or slightly peaty ± acid communities (but not including mires)

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Scientific name	Common name	Indicator value
Agrostis canina	Velvet Bent	strong
Agrostis vinealis	Brown Bent	strong
Aira caryophyllea	Silver Hair-grass	strong
Aira praecox	Early Hair-grass	strong
Anthriscus caucalis	Bur Parsley	weak
Aphanes arvensis	Parsley-piert	weak
Aphanes australis	Slender Parsley-piert	weak
Arenaria serpyllifolia ssp. serpyllifolia	Thyme-leaved Sandwort	weak
Avenella flexuosa	Wavy Hair-grass	strong
Betonica officinalis	Betony	weak
Calluna vulgaris	Heather	strong
Campanula rotundifolia	Harebell	strong
Carex arenaria	Sand Sedge	strong
Carex echinata	Star Sedge	strong
Carex leporina	Oval Sedge	weak
Carex muricata ssp. pairae	Prickly Sedge	weak
Carex pilulifera	Pill Sedge	strong
Cerastium arvense	Field Mouse-ear	strong
Cerastium semidecandrum	Little Mouse-ear	strong
Cladonia spp.	(Pixie) Cup-lichens	strong
Conopodium majus	Pignut	weak
Dactylorhiza maculata	Heath Spotted-orchid	strong
Danthonia decumbens	Heath-grass	strong
Dianthus deltoides	Maiden Pink	strong
Echium vulgare	Viper's Bugloss	weak
Epilobium palustre	Marsh Willowherb	weak
Erica tetralix	Cross-leaved Heath	strong
Erodium cicutarium agg.	Common Stork's-bill	weak
Erophila verna	Common Whitlow-grass	weak
Festuca ovina agg.	Sheep's Fescue [agg.]	strong
Filago germanica	Common Cudweed	weak
Filago lutescens	Red-tipped Cudweed	strong
Filago pyramidata	Broad-leaved Cudweed	weak

Scientific name	Common name	Indicator value
Galium parisiense	Wall Bedstraw	strong
Galium saxatile	Heath Bedstraw	strong
Galium verum	Lady's Bedstraw	weak
Herniaria glabra	Smooth Rupturewort	strong
Hypericum humifusum	Trailing St. John's-wort	weak
Hypericum pulchrum	Slender St. John's-wort	strong
Hypochaeris glabra	Smooth Cat's-ear	strong
Hypochaeris radicata	Common Cat's-ear	weak
Isolepis setacea	Bristle Club-rush	weak
Juncus bulbosus	Bulbous Rush	strong
Logfia minima	Small Cudweed	strong
Lotus corniculatus	Common Bird's-foot-trefoil	weak
Luzula campestris	Field Wood-rush	weak
Luzula multiflora	Heath Wood-rush	strong
Medicago minima	Bur Medick	strong
Medicago sativa ssp. falcata	Sickle Medick	strong
Myosotis discolor	Changing Forget-me-not	weak
Myosotis ramossissima	Early Forget-me-not	weak
Nardus stricta	Mat-grass	strong
Omalotheca sylvatica	Heath Cudweed	strong
Ornithopus perpusillus	Bird's-foot	strong
Peltigera spp	Dog-lichens	weak
Phleum phleoides	Purple-stem Cat's-tail	strong
Pilosella officinarum	Mouse-ear Hawkweed	strong
Plantago coronopus	Buck's-horn Plantain	weak
Polygala serpyllifolia	Heath Milkwort	strong
Potentilla argentea	Hoary Cinquefoil	strong
Potentilla erecta	Tormentil	strong
Pteridium aquilinum	Bracken	weak
Rumex acetosa	Common Sorrel	weak
Rumex acetosella	Sheep's Sorrel	strong
Sabulina tenuifolia	Fine-leaved Sandwort	strong
Sagina apetala	Annual Pearlwort	weak
Sagina nodosa	Knotted Pearlwort	weak
Saxifraga granulata	Meadow Saxifrage	weak
Saxifraga tridactylites	Rue-leaved Saxifrage	weak
Scleranthus annuus	Annual Knawel	strong
Sedum acre	Biting Stonecrop	weak
Senecio sylvaticus	Heath Groundsel	weak
Silene conica	Sand Catchfly	strong
Silene otites	Spanish Catchfly	strong
Spergula arvensis	Corn Spurrey	strong
Spergularia rubra	Sand Spurrey	strong
Stellaria alsine	Bog Stitchwort	strong
Stellaria graminea	Lesser Stitchwort	weak
Stellaria pallida	Lesser Chickweed	weak
Succisa pratensis	Devil's-bit Scabious	weak
Teesdalia nudicaulis	Shepherd's Cress	strong
Teucrium scorodonia	Wood Sage	strong
Trifolium arvense	Hare's-foot Clover	weak
Trifolium glomeratum	Clustered Clover	strong
Trifolium scabrum	Rough Clover	strong
Trifolium striatum	Soft Clover	strong

Scientific name	Common name	Indicator value
Trifolium subterraneum	Subterranean Clover	strong
Turritis glabra	Tower Mustard	strong
Veronica arvensis	Wall Speedwell	weak
Veronica officinalis	Heath Speedwell	strong
Veronica spicata ssp. spicata	Spiked Speedwell	strong
Vicia lathyroides	Spring Vetch	strong
Viola canina	Heath Dog-violet	strong
Vulpia ciliata ssp. ambigua	Bearded Fescue	strong

APPENDIX 3

VASCULAR PLANT LIST FOR SUBMERGED, FLOATING, EMERGENT AND WETBANK SPECIES FOUND IN AND AROUND WATER BODIES

This list has been created specifically for County Wildlife Sites in Cambridgeshire using known distribution of the species within the county. Species must only be included in the count if they are of natural occurrence at the site and not otherwise introduced; particular caution should be given to those marked *.

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Scientific name	Common name	Typical habit
Achillea ptarmica	Sneezewort	Wetbank
Acorus calamus	Sweet Flag	Emergent
Alisma gramineum	Ribbon-leaved Water-plantain	Emergent
Alisma lanceolatum	Narrow-leaved Water-plantain	Emergent
Alisma plantago-aquatica	Water-plantain	Emergent
Alopecurus aequalis	Orange Foxtail	Wetbank
Alopecurus geniculatus	Marsh Foxtail	Wetbank
Althaea officinalis*	Marsh-mallow*	Wetbank
Anagallis tenella	Bog Pimpernel	Wetbank
Apium graveolens	Wild Celery	Wetbank
Apium nodiflorum	Fool's-water-cress	Emergent
Baldellia ranunculoides	Lesser Water-plantain	Emergent
Berula erecta	Lesser Water-parsnip	Emergent
Bidens cernua	Nodding Bur-marigold	Wetbank
Bidens tripartita	Trifid Bur-marigold	Wetbank
Blysmus compressus	Flat-sedge	Wetbank
Bolboschoenus laticarpus*	Inland Club-rush*	Emergent
Bolboschoenus maritimus	Sea Club-rush	Emergent
Butomus umbellatus	Flowering-rush	Emergent
Callitriche agg.	Water-starwort	Floating
Caltha palustris	Marsh-marigold	Wetbank
Calystegia sepium subsp. roseata	a hedge bindweed	Wetbank
Cardamine amara	Large Bitter-cress	Wetbank
Cardamine pratensis	Cuckooflower	Wetbank
Carex acuta	Slender Tufted-sedge	Emergent
Carex acutiformis	Lesser Pond-sedge	Emergent
Carex appropinquata	Fibrous Tussock-sedge	Wetbank
Carex binervis	Green-ribbed Sedge	Wetbank
Carex demissa	Common Yellow-sedge	Wetbank
Carex distans	Distant Sedge	Wetbank
Carex disticha	Brown Sedge	Wetbank
Carex echinata	Star Sedge	Wetbank
Carex elata	Tufted-sedge	Emergent
Carex hostiana	Tawny Sedge	Wetbank

Scientific name	Common name	Typical habit
Carex lasiocarpa	Slender Sedge	Emergent
Carex lepidocarpa	Long-stalked Yellow-sedge	Wetbank
Carex otrubae	False Fox-sedge	Wetbank
Carex pallescens	Pale Sedge	Wetbank
Carex panicea	Carnation Sedge	Wetbank
Carex paniculata	Greater Tussock-sedge	Emergent
Carex pseudocyperus	Cyperus Sedge	Emergent
Carex pulicaris	Flea Sedge	Wetbank
Carex riparia	Greater Pond-sedge	Emergent
Carex rostrata	Bottle Sedge	Emergent
Carex strigosa	Thin-spiked Wood-sedge	Wetbank
Carex vesicaria	Bladder-sedge	Emergent
Carex viridula	Small-fruited Yellow-sedge	Wetbank
Catabrosa aquatica	Whorl-grass	Emergent
Ceratophyllum demersum	Rigid Hornwort	Submerged
Ceratophyllum submersum	Soft Hornwort	Submerged
Chara aculeolata	Hedgehog Stonewort	Submerged
Chara aspera	Rough Stonewort	Submerged
Chara canescens	Bearded Stonewort	Submerged
Chara contraria	Opposite Stonewort	Submerged
Chara curta	Lesser Bearded Stonewort	Submerged
Chara globularis	Fragile Stonewort	Submerged
Chara hispida	Bristly Stonewort	Submerged
Chara virgata	Delicate Stonewort	Submerged
Chara vulgaris	Common Stonewort	Submerged
Cladium mariscus	Great Fen-sedge	Emergent
Comarum palustre	Marsh Cinquefoil	Emergent
Cuscuta europaea	Greater Dodder	Wetbank
Cyperus longus*	Galingale*	Wetbank
Deschampsia cespitosa	Tufted Hair-grass	Wetbank
Eleocharis acicularis	Needle Spike-rush	Emergent
Eleocharis palustris	Common Spike-rush	Emergent
Eleocharis quinqueflora	Few-flowered Spike-rush	Emergent
Eleocharis uniglumis	Slender Spike-rush	Emergent
Eleogiton fluitans	Floating Club-rush	Emergent
Elodea canadensis	Canadian Waterweed	Submerged
Epilobium palustre	Marsh Willowherb	Wetbank
Epipactis palustris	Marsh Helleborine	Emergent
Equisetum fluviatile	Water Horsetail	Emergent
Equisetum palustre	Marsh Horsetail	Wetbank
Equisetum telmateia	Great Horsetail	Wetbank
Eriophorum angustifolium	Common Cottongrass	Wetbank
Eupatorium cannabinum	Hemp-agrimony	Wetbank
Filipendula ulmaria	Meadowsweet	Wetbank
Galium palustre	Marsh Bedstraw	Wetbank

Scientific name	Common name	Typical habit
Galium uliginosum	Fen Bedstraw	Wetbank
Geum rivale	Water Avens	Wetbank
Glyceria declinata	Small Sweet-grass	Emergent
Glyceria fluitans	Floating Sweet-grass	Emergent
Glyceria maxima	Reed Sweet-grass	Emergent
Glyceria notata	Plicate Sweet-grass	Emergent
Glyceria x pedicellata	Glyceria fluitans x notata	Emergent
Groenlandia densa	Opposite-leaved Pondweed	Submerged
Gymnadenia densiflora	Marsh Fragrant-orchid	Wetbank
Helosciadium inundatum	Lesser Marshwort	Emergent
Hippuris vulgaris	Mare's-tail	Submerged
Hottonia palustris	Water-violet	Submerged
Hydrocharis morsus-ranae	Frogbit	Floating
Hydrocotyle vulgaris	Marsh Pennywort	Wetbank
Hypericum tetrapterum	Square-stalked St John's-wort	Wetbank
Impatiens capensis	Orange Balsam	Wetbank
Iris pseudacorus	Yellow Iris	Emergent
Isolepis setacea	Bristle Club-rush	Wetbank
Jacobaea aquatica	Marsh Ragwort	Wetbank
Jacobaea paludosa	Fen Ragwort	Emergent
Juncus acutiflorus	Sharp-flowered Rush	Wetbank
Juncus acutus	Sharp Rush	Wetbank
Juncus articulatus	Jointed Rush	Wetbank
Juncus bulbosus	Bulbous Rush	Emergent
Juncus compressus	Round-fruited Rush	Wetbank
Juncus conglomeratus	Compact Rush	Wetbank
Juncus effusus	Soft-rush	Wetbank
Juncus inflexus	Hard Rush	Wetbank
Juncus subnodulosus	Blunt-flowered Rush	Wetbank
Lathyrus palustris	Marsh Pea	Wetbank
Lemna gibba	Fat Duckweed	Floating
Lemna minor	Common Duckweed	Floating
Lemna trisulca	Ivy-leaved Duckweed	Submerged
Limosella aquatica	Mudwort	Emergent
Lotus pedunculatus	Greater Bird's-foot-trefoil	Wetbank
Lycopus europaeus	Gypsywort	Wetbank
Lysimachia nemorum	Yellow Pimpernel	Wetbank
Lysimachia nummularia	Creeping-Jenny	Wetbank
Lysimachia vulgaris	Yellow Loosestrife	Wetbank
Lythrum hyssopifolia	Grass-poly	Wetbank
Lythrum portula	Water Purslane	Wetbank
Lythrum salicaria	Purple-loosestrife	Emergent
Mentha aquatica	Water Mint	Wetbank
Mentha arvensis	Corn Mint	Wetbank
Mentha x verticillata	Whorled Mint	Wetbank

Scientific name	Common name	Typical habit
Menyanthes trifoliata	Bogbean	Emergent
Montia fontana	Blinks	Wetbank
Myosotis laxa	Tufted Forget-me-not	Wetbank
Myosotis scorpioides	Water Forget-me-not	Emergent
Myriophyllum alterniflorum	Alternate Water-milfoil	Submerged
Myriophyllum spicatum	Spiked Water-milfoil	Submerged
Myriophyllum verticillatum	Whorled Water-milfoil	Submerged
Nasturtium microphyllum	Narrow-fruited Water-cress	Emergent
Nasturtium officinale	Water-cress	Emergent
Nasturtium officinale x microphyllum	Hybrid Water-cress	Emergent
Nitella flexilis	Smooth Stonewort	Submerged
Nitella mucronata	Pointed Stonewort	Submerged
Nitella opaca	Dark Stonewort	Submerged
Nitella tenuissima	Dwarf Stonewort	Submerged
Nuphar lutea	Yellow Water-lily	Floating
Nymphaea alba	White Water-lily	Floating
Nymphoides peltata*	Fringed Water-lily*	Floating
Oenanthe aquatica	Fine-leaved Water-dropwort	Emergent
Oenanthe crocata	Hemlock Water-dropwort	Emergent
Oenanthe fistulosa	Tubular Water-dropwort	Emergent
Oenanthe fluviatilis	River Water-dropwort	Emergent
		Wetbank
Oenanthe lachenalii Oenanthe silaifolia	Parsley Water-dropwort	Wetbank
	Narrow-leaved Water-dropwort	
Parnassia palustris	Grass-of-Parnassus	Wetbank
Pedicularis palustris	Marsh Lousewort	Wetbank
Persicaria amphibia	Amphibious Bistort	Floating
Persicaria hydropiper	Water-pepper	Wetbank
Persicaria minor	Small Water-pepper	Wetbank
Persicaria mitis	Tasteless Water-pepper	Wetbank
Petasites hybridus	Butterbur	Wetbank
Phalaris arundinacea	Reed Canary-grass	Emergent
Phragmites australis	Common Reed	Emergent
Plantago major subsp. intermedia	Greater Plantain	Wetbank
Poa palustris	Swamp Meadow-grass	Wetbank
Potamogeton acutifolius	Sharp-leaved Pondweed	Submerged
Potamogeton alpinus	Red Pondweed	Submerged
Potamogeton berchtoldii	Small Pondweed	Submerged
Potamogeton coloratus	Fen Pondweed	Submerged
Potamogeton compressus	Grass-wrack Pondweed	Submerged
Potamogeton crispus	Curled Pondweed	Submerged
Potamogeton friesii	Flat-stalked Pondweed	Submerged
Potamogeton gramineus	Various-leaved Pondweed	Submerged
Potamogeton lucens	Shining Pondweed	Submerged
Potamogeton natans	Broad-leaved Pondweed	Floating
Potamogeton obtusifolius	Blunt-leaved Pondweed	Submerged

Scientific name	Common name	Typical habit
Potamogeton perfoliatus	Perfoliate Pondweed	Submerged
Potamogeton polygonifolius	Bog Pondweed	Submerged
Potamogeton praelongus	Long-stalked Pondweed	Submerged
Potamogeton pusillus	Lesser Pondweed	Submerged
Potamogeton trichoides	Hairlike Pondweed	Submerged
Pulicaria dysenterica	Common Fleabane	Wetbank
Ranunculus aquatilis	Common Water-crowfoot	Floating
Ranunculus baudotii	Brackish Water-crowfoot	Submerged
Ranunculus circinatus	Fan-leaved Water-crowfoot	Submerged
Ranunculus flammula	Lesser Spearwort	Wetbank
Ranunculus fluitans	River Water-crowfoot	Submerged
Ranunculus hederaceus	Ivy-leaved Crowfoot	Wetbank
Ranunculus lingua	Greater Spearwort	Emergent
Ranunculus peltatus	Pond Water-crowfoot	Floating
Ranunculus penicillatus	Stream Water-crowfoot	Submerged
Ranunculus sceleratus	Celery-leaved Buttercup	Emergent
Ranunculus trichophyllus	Thread-leaved Water-crowfoot	Submerged
Rorippa amphibia	Great Yellow-cress	Emergent
Rorippa palustris	Marsh Yellow-cress	Wetbank
Rorippa sylvestris	Creeping Yellow-cress	Wetbank
Rumex hydrolapathum	Water Dock	Emergent
Rumex maritimus	Golden Dock	Emergent
Rumex palustris	Marsh Dock	Wetbank
Sagittaria sagittifolia	Arrowhead	Emergent
Samolus valerandi	Brookweed	Wetbank
Schoenoplectus lacustris	Common Club-rush	Emergent
Schoenoplectus tabernaemontani	Grey Club-rush	Emergent
Scrophularia auriculata	Water Figwort	Wetbank
Scutellaria galericulata	Skullcap	Wetbank
Selinum carvifolia	Cambridge Milk-parsley	Wetbank
Serratula tinctoria	Saw-wort	Wetbank
Silene flos-cuculi	Ragged-Robin	Wetbank
Sium latifolium	Greater Water-parsnip	Emergent
Solanum dulcamara	Bittersweet	Wetbank
Sonchus palustris	Marsh Sow-thistle	Wetbank
Sparganium emersum	Unbranched Bur-reed	Floating
Sparganium erectum	Branched Bur-reed	Emergent
Sparganium natans	Least Bur-reed	Floating
Spirodela polyrhiza	Greater Duckweed	Floating
Stachys palustris	Marsh Woundwort	Wetbank
Stellaria alsine	Bog Stitchwort	Wetbank
Stellaria aquatica	Water Chickweed	Wetbank
Stellaria palustris	Marsh Stitchwort	Wetbank
Stratiotes aloides	Water-soldier	Submerged
Stuckenia pectinata	Fennel Pondweed	Submerged

Scientific name	Common name	Typical habit
Symphytum officinale	Common Comfrey	Wetbank
Tanacetum vulgare	Tansy	Wetbank
Teucrium scordium	Water Germander	Emergent
Thalictrum flavum	Common Meadow-rue	Wetbank
Thelypteris palustris	Marsh Fern	Wetbank
Tolypella glomerata	Clustered Stonewort	Submerged
Tolypella intricata	Tassel Stonewort	Submerged
Tolypella prolifera	Great Tassel Stonewort	Submerged
Triglochin palustris	Marsh Arrowgrass	Wetbank
Typha angustifolia	Lesser Bulrush	Emergent
Typha latifolia	Bulrush	Emergent
Utricularia australis	Bladderwort	Floating
Utricularia intermedia agg.	Intermediate bladderwort	Floating
Utricularia minor	Lesser bladderwort	Floating
Utricularia vulgaris	Greater Bladderwort	Floating
Valeriana dioica	Marsh Valerian	Wetbank
Valeriana officinalis	Common Valerian	Wetbank
Veronica anagallis-aquatica	Blue Water-speedwell	Emergent
Veronica beccabunga	Brooklime	Emergent
Veronica catenata	Pink Water-speedwell	Emergent
Veronica scutellata	Marsh Speedwell	Wetbank
Viola palustris	Marsh Violet	Wetbank
Viola stagnina	Fen Violet	Wetbank
Zannichellia palustris	Horned Pondweed	Submerged

APPENDIX 4A

NATIONALLY RARE, NATIONALLY SCARCE & RED DATA LIST VASCULAR PLANTS FOUND IN CAMBRIDGESHIRE & PETERBOROUGH

Species have been included in this appendix if they are:

- Nationally Rare (NR) or Nationally Scarce (NS)
- have previously been recorded as natural and established populations in Cambridgeshire or Peterborough and are not considered to be Regionally Extinct (data provided by BSBI vice-county recorders)

The BSBI provides the most up-to-date lists of Nationally Rare or Scarce taxa and GB Red List for Vascular Plants: https://bsbi.org/taxon-lists. The revisions used in this appendix were published in 2024.

Significant populations of Nationally Rare or Nationally Scarce species found within Cambridgeshire and Peterborough but not included in this appendix may be considered for site selection if naturally occurring and established.

Nationally Rare is defined as a plant occurring in 15 or fewer 10km squares in Britain. Nationally Scarce is defined as a plant occurring in 100-16 10km squares in Britain.

List updated in February 2025 following the 2024 revision of Nationally Rare and Nationally Scare vascular plant taxa. List updated to Stace IV nomenclature, October 2019.

			Red	List
Scientific Name	Common Name	NR/NS	GB	England
Adonis annua	Pheasant's-eye	Scarce	EN	EN
Ajuga chamaepitys	Ground-pine	Scarce	EN	EN
Alisma gramineum	Ribbon-leaved Water-plantain	Rare	CR	CR
Artemisia campestris	Field Wormwood	Rare	EN	EN
Bolboschoenus laticarpus	Inland Club-rush	Scarce		
Brassica oleracea	Cabbages	Scarce		
Bunium bulbocastanum	Great Pignut	Rare		
Bupleurum tenuissimum	Slender Hare's-ear	Scarce	VU	VU
Carex appropinquata	Fibrous Tussock-sedge	Scarce	NT	
Carex ericetorum	Rare Spring-sedge	Scarce	VU	VU
Cerastium pumilum	Dwarf Mouse-ear	Scarce	NT	
Cicuta virosa	Cowbane	Scarce		
Cirsium tuberosum	Tuberous Thistle	Scarce	NT	NT
Clinopodium nepeta	Lesser Calamint	Scarce		
Cuscuta europaea	Greater Dodder	Scarce		
Dactylorhiza incarnata subsp. ochroleuca	Early Marsh-orchid subsp.	Rare	CR	CR
Dactylorhiza praetermissa subsp. schoenophila	Narrow-leaved Marsh-orchid	Scarce		
Daphne mezereum	Mezereon	Scarce	VU	VU
Dianthus armeria	Deptford Pink	Scarce	EN	EN
Dianthus deltoides	Maiden Pink	Scarce	NT	VU
Erophila majuscula	Hairy Whitlowgrass	Scarce		
Ervum gracile	Slender Tare	Scarce	VU	VU
Eryngium campestre	Field Eryngo	Rare	NT	NT
Euphrasia pseudokerneri	Chalk Eyebright	Scarce	VU	VU
Filago lutescens	Red-tipped Cudweed	Scarce	EN	EN

			Rec	l List
Scientific Name	Common Name	NR/NS	GB	England
Filago pyramidata	Broad-leaved Cudweed	Scarce	EN	EN
Fumaria parviflora	Fine-leaved Fumitory	Scarce	VU	NT
Fumaria vaillantii	Few-flowered Fumitory	Scarce	EN	EN
Galeopsis angustifolia	Red Hemp-nettle	Scarce	CR	CR
Galium tricornutum	Corn Cleavers	Rare	CR	CR
Gentianella amarella subsp. anglica	Autumn Gentian	Scarce	VU	
Herminium monorchis	Musk Orchid	Scarce	VU	EN
Herniaria glabra	Smooth Rupturewort	Rare		
Himantoglossum hircinum	Lizard Orchid	Scarce		
Hordelymus europaeus	Wood Barley	Scarce		
Hordeum marinum	Sea Barley	Scarce	VU	VU
Hypochaeris maculata	Spotted Cat's-ear	Rare	VU	VU
Iberis amara	Wild Candytuft	Scarce	VU	VU
Isatis tinctoria	Woad	Scarce		
Jacobaea paludosa	Fen Ragwort	Rare	CR	CR
Lathyrus aphaca	Yellow Vetchling	Scarce	VU	VU
Lathyrus palustris	Marsh Pea	Scarce	NT	NT
Lepidium latifolium	Dittander	Scarce		
Linum perenne	Perennial Flax	Rare	VU	
Luzula pallescens	Fen Wood-rush	Rare	CR	CR
Lysimachia foemina	Blue Pimpernel	Scarce	O.C	DD
Lythrum hyssopifolia	Grass-poly	Scarce	EN	EN
Medicago minima	Bur Medick	Scarce	VU	VU
Medicago polymorpha	Toothed Medick	Scarce	V 0	1 70
Medicago sativa subsp. falcata	Sickle Medick	Scarce		
Melampyrum cristatum	Crested Cow-wheat	Scarce	EN	EN
Mentha pulegium	Pennyroyal	Scarce	EN	CR
Mentha suaveolens	Round-leaved Mint	Scarce	DD	NT
Neotinea ustulata	Burnt Orchid	Scarce	EN	EN
Nymphoides peltata	Fringed Water-lily	Scarce	LIN	LIN
Oenanthe fluviatilis	River Water-dropwort	Scarce		
Oenanthe silaifolia	•			
Orchis anthropophora	Narrow-leaved Water-dropwort Man Orchid	Scarce	EN	EN
, ,		Scarce		
Orchis simia	Monkey Orchid	Rare	VU	VU
Ornithogalum pyrenaicum	Spiked Star-of-Bethlehem	Scarce	\/	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \
Oxybasis glauca	Oak-leaved Goosefoot	Scarce	VU	VU
Oxybasis urbica	Upright Goosefoot	Scarce	CR	CR
Parapholis strigosa	Hard-grass	Scarce	\/	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \
Persicaria mitis	Tasteless Water-pepper	Scarce	VU	VU
Phleum phleoides	Purple-stem Cat's-tail	Rare		
Potamogeton coloratus	Fen Pondweed	Scarce		
Potamogeton compressus	Grass-wrack Pondweed	Scarce	EN	EN
Potentilla verna	Spring Cinquefoil	Scarce		
Primula elatior	Oxlip	Scarce		
Pulsatilla vulgaris	Pasqueflower	Scarce	VU	VU
Rosa agrestis	Small-leaved Sweet-briar	Scarce	NT	NT
Rosa tomentella	Round-leaved Dog-rose	Scarce		
Sabulina tenuifolia	Fine-leaved Sandwort	Scarce	EN	EN
Salicornia dolichostachya	Long-spiked Glasswort	Scarce		
Salvia pratensis	Meadow Clary	Scarce	NT	NT
Selinum carvifolia	Cambridge Milk-parsley	Rare	EN	EN
Seseli libanotis	Moon Carrot	Rare	NT	NT

			Red	d List
Scientific Name	Common Name	NR/NS	GB	England
Silene conica	Sand Catchfly	Scarce	VU	EN
Silene otites	Spanish Catchfly	Rare	EN	EN
Sium latifolium	Greater Water-parsnip	Scarce	EN	EN
Sonchus palustris	Marsh Sow-thistle	Scarce		
Stratiotes aloides	Water-soldier	Scarce		
Tephroseris integrifolia subsp. integrifolia	Field Fleawort	Scarce	VU	VU
Teucrium scordium	Water Germander	Rare	EN	EN
Thelypteris palustris	Marsh Fern	Scarce		
Thesium humifusum	Bastard-toadflax	Scarce		
Thymus serpyllum	Breckland Thyme	Rare		
Thysselinum palustre	Milk-parsley	Scarce	VU	VU
Tilia platyphyllos	Large-leaved Lime	Scarce		
Torilis arvensis	Spreading Hedge-parsley	Scarce		EN
Trifolium ochroleucon	Sulphur Clover	Scarce	VU	VU
Turritis glabra	Tower Mustard	Scarce	EN	EN
Utricularia australis	Bladderwort	Scarce		
Utricularia vulgaris	Greater Bladderwort	Scarce		
Valerianella rimosa	Broad-fruited Cornsalad	Scarce	EN	EN
Verbascum lychnitis	White Mullein	Scarce		
Verbascum pulverulentum	Hoary Mullein	Scarce		
Veronica spicata subsp. spicata	Breckland Spiked Speedwell	Rare		
Veronica triphyllos	Fingered Speedwell	Rare	CR	CR
Viola canina subsp. ruppii	Heath Dog-violet	Rare	EN	EN
Viola stagnina	Fen Violet	Rare	CR	CR
Vulpia ciliata	Bearded Fescue	Scarce		
Vulpia ciliata subsp. ambigua	Purple Fescue	Scarce		

Red Data List status key:

EX – Extinct

EW - Extinct in the wild

CR – Critically endangered

EN – Endangered

VU – Vulnerable

NT – Near threatened

DD – Data deficient

NE – Not evaluated

Where the field is left blank the species is considered to be of Least Concern (LC).

APPENDIX 4B

SCORING SYSTEM FOR THE SELECTION OF SITES WITH OUTSTANDING ASSEMBLAGES OF ARABLE PLANTS

This system was developed by Plantlife and is a scoring system that tallies the weighted individual score of each species present based on its rarity and decline across Britain. Weightings for England are used here and the threshold scores for different geological substrates are as follows:

Substrate	County importance	National importance	International importance
Sandy and other free draining non-calcareous soils	20 - 34	35 - 69	70 +
Heavier clay soils	20 - 29	30 - 69	70 +
Dry calcareous soils on chalk and limestone	30 - 44	45 - 89	90 +

Due to the sporadic nature of arable plants any records from the last 10 years can be used in the calculation of the score and where survey effort is limited records from back to 1985 may be included.

A much higher score may identify a site as of National or European importance and the thresholds for these are given as per the Plantlife document *Important Arable Plant Areas (Byfield and Wilson, 2005).*

List created from Plantlife's IAPA List and Scores, February 2023.

Calantifia nama	Common nome	England
Scientific name	Common name	Score
Adonis annua	Pheasant's-eye	8
Agrostemma githago	Corncockle	9
Ajuga chamaepitys	Ground Pine	8
Althaea hirsuta	Hairy Mallow or Rough Marsh-mallow	6
Anthemis arvensis	Corn Chamomile	8
Anthemis cotula	Stinking Chamomile	7
Anthriscus caucalis	Bur Chervil	3
Apera interrupta	Dense Silky-bent	4
Apera spica-venti	Loose Silky-bent	6
Aphanes australis	Slender Parsley-piert	1
Arnoseris minima	Lamb's-succory	9
Avena strigosa	Bristle Oat	5
Brassica nigra	Black Mustard	2
Briza minor	Lesser Quaking-grass	5
Bromus interruptus	Interrupted Brome	6
Bromus secalinus	Rye Brome	7
Buglossoides arvensis	Corn Gromwell	8
Bunium bulbocastanum	Greater Pignut	6
Bupleurum rotundifolium	Thorow-wax	9
Camelina sativa	False Flax	5
Caucalis platycarpos	Small Bur-parsley	9
Centaurea cyanus	Cornflower	8
Chaenorhinum minus	Small Toadflax	1
Chenopodiastrum hybridum	Maple-leaved Goosefoot	3
Chenopodiastrum murale	Nettle-leaved Goosefoot	8
Chenopodium ficifolium	Fig-leaved Goosefoot	2
Descurainia sophia	Tansy Mustard or Flixweed	3
Echium plantagineum	Purple Bugloss	6
Erodium cicutarium	Common Stork's-bill	1

Erodium moschatum	Musk Stork's-bill	4
Ervum gracile	Slender Tare	7
Ervum tetraspermum	Smooth Tare	2
Erysimum cheiranthoides	Treacle Mustard	6
Euphorbia exigua	Dwarf Spurge	7
Euphorbia platyphyllos	Broad-leaved Spurge	3
Filago germanica	Common Cudweed	6
Filago lutescens	Red-tipped Cudweed	8
Filago pyramidata	Broad-leaved Cudweed	8
Fumaria bastardii	Tall Ramping-fumitory	2
Fumaria capreolata	White Ramping-fumitory	3
Fumaria densiflora	Dense-flowered Fumitory	3
Fumaria muralis ssp. neglecta	Common Ramping-fumitory	7
Fumaria occidentalis	Western Fumitory	5
Fumaria parviflora	Fine-leaved Fumitory	7
Fumaria purpurea	Purple Ramping-fumitory	7
Fumaria reuteri	Martin's Ramping-fumitory	6
Fumaria vaillantii	Few-flowered Fumitory	8
Galeopsis angustifolia	Red Hemp-nettle	9
Galeopsis bifida	Bifed hemp-nettle	1
Galeopsis segetum	Downy Hemp-nettle	9
Galeopsis speciosa	Large-flowered Hemp-nettle	7
Galium spurium	False Cleavers	6
Galium tricornutum	Corn Cleavers	9
Gastridium ventricosum	Nit-grass	5
Geranium columbinum	Long-stalked Crane's-bill	2
Geranium pusillum	Small-flowered Crane's-bill	2
Glebionis segetum Holosteum umbellatum	Corn Marigold	7 6
	Jagged Chickweed Henbane	7
Hyoscyamus niger Hypochaeris glabra	Smooth Cat's-ear	7
Iberis amara	Wild Candytuft	7
Kickxia elatine	Sharp-leaved Fluellen	2
Kickxia spuria	Round-leaved Fluellen	3
Lamium amplexicaule	Henbit Dead-nettle	1
Lamium confertum	Northern Dead-nettle	8
Lamium hybridum	Cut-leaved Dead-nettle	1
Lathyrus aphaca	Yellow Vetchling	7
Lavatera cretica	Small Tree-mallow	6
Legousia hybrida	Venus's-looking-glass	3
Legousia speculum-veneris	Greater Venus's-looking-glass	6
Lepidium campestre	Field Pepperwort	6
Lipandra polysperma	Many-seeded Goosefoot	2
Logfia gallica	Narrow-leaved Cudweed	9
Lolium temulentum	Darnel	9
Lycopsis arvensis	Small Bugloss	1
Lysimachia foemina	Blue Pimpernel	5
Lythrum hyssopifolium	Grass-poly	8
Malva neglecta	Common Mallow	2
Melampyrum arvense	Field Cow-wheat	8
Melilotus altissimus	Tall Melilot	1
Mentha arvensis	Corn Mint	6
Mercurialis annua	Annual Mercury	2
Microthlaspi perfoliatum	Perfoliate Penny-cress	7
Misopates orontium	Weasel's-snout	7
Myosurus minimus	Mousetail	7
Nepeta cataria	Cat-mint	7
Orobanche minor	Common Broomrape	2
Oxybasis urbica	Upright Goosefoot	9
Papaver argemone	Prickly Poppy	8
Papaver locagii	Long-headed Poppy	2
Papaver lecoqii	Babington's Poppy	

Papaver rhoeas	Common Poppy	1
Polycarpon tetraphyllum	Four-leaved Allseed	5
Polygonum boreale	Northern Knotgrass	4
Polygonum rurivagum	Cornfield Knotgrass	3
Ranunculus arvensis	Corn Buttercup	9
Ranunculus muricatus	Rough-fruited Buttercup	6
Ranunculus parviflorus	Small-flowered buttercup	3
Ranunculus sardous	Hairy Buttercup	3
Raphanus raphanistrum subsp. Raphanistrum	Wild Radish	1
Reseda lutea	Wild Mignonette	1
Roemeria hispida	Rough Poppy	3
Rhinanthus angustifolius	Greater Hay-rattle	6
Scandix pecten-veneris	Shepherd's Needle	9
Scleranthus annuus	Annual Knawel	8
Sherardia arvensis	Field Madder	1
Silene gallica	Small-flowered Catchfly	8
Silene noctiflora	Night-flowering Catchfly	7
Sinapis alba	White Mustard	2
Sison segetum	Corn Parsley	3
Spergula arvensis	Corn Spurrey	7
Stachys arvensis	Field Woundwort	6
Teucrium botrys	Cut-leaved Germander	6
Thlaspi arvense	Field Penny-cress	1
Torilis arvensis	Spreading Hedge-parsley	8
Torilis nodosa	Knotted Hedge-parsley	3
Valerianella dentata	Narrow-fruited Cornsalad	8
Valerianella eriocarpa	Hairy-fruited Cornsalad	6
Valerianella rimosa	Broad-fruited Cornsalad	8
Veronica agrestis	Green Field-speedwell	1
Veronica polita	Grey Field-speedwell	2
Veronica praecox	Breckland Speedwell	6
Veronica triphyllos	Fingered Speedwell	9
Veronica verna	Spring Speedwell	8
Viola tricolor ssp. tricolor	Wild Pansy	6

APPENDIX 5A

ESTIMATED NATIONAL NUMBERS OF BIRDS BREEDING AND WINTERING IN BRITAIN - SPECIES RELEVANT TO CAMBRIDGESHIRE

	Breeding pairs	Wintering individuals
Little Grebe Great Crested Grebe Red-necked Grebe Slavonian Grebe Black-necked Grebe Cormorant Bittern Grey Heron	9-14K 3-3.4K 0-1k 70-80 <20 6.2K 47-51 3.5-8.5K	8K+ 5-15K 100-170 400 100 15-20K 50-150 25K
Mute Swan Bewicks Swan Whooper Swan Greylag Goose	3.1K - 0-1 600-1000	18K 5K 4.5K 100K
Canada Goose Shelduck Wigeon Gadwall	10K 15K 300-500 260	40K 75K 200K 4K
Teal Mallard Pintail Garganey	3.5-6K 40K 16-41 <55	100K 500K 25K -
Shoveler Pochard Tufted Duck Goldeneye	500 200 1.5-2K >40	9K 50K 60K 15K
Red-breasted Merganser Marsh Harrier Hen Harrier Montagu's Harrier	1-2K 20-23 400 1-3	10K ? 750 -
Sparrowhawk Kestrel Hobby Grey Partridge	15-20K 30-40K 1K 100-200K	75-130K 75K - ?
Water Rail Moorhen Coot Oystercatcher	1.5-3K 200K 40-80K 33-43K	? 1M 150K 280K
Stone Curlew Little Ringed Plover Ringed Plover Golden Plover	150 475 8600 23K	- 23K 200K
Lapwing	180K	1M

APPENDIX 5B

BREEDING BIRD INDICES

This list covers only those species which have bred or are likely to breed in Cambridgeshire; other species can be used from the relevant list if they occur.

Calculate the total score by adding up the Index score if indicated by an asterix for that species in the habitat. Thresholds for each habitat are given at the end of the table.

- A Lowland Damp Grassland
- B Lowland Fen Without Water
- C Lowland Open Water and Margins
- D Scrub
- E Woodland

Species	Index score	Α	В	С	D	Е
Little Grebe	2.5		*	*		
Great Crested Grebe	3			*		
Bittern	5		*	*		
Grey Heron	3			*	*	
Mute Swan	3	*		*		
Shelduck	2	*		*		
Gadwall	4	*	*	*		
Teal	3	*	*	*		
Garganey	5	*	*	*		
Shoveler	4	*	*	*		
Pochard	4		*	*		
Tufted Duck	3			*		
Marsh Harrier	5	*	*	*		
Montagu's Harrier	6		*	*		
Sparrowhawk	2					*
Hobby	4					*
Quail	5	*				
Water Rail	3		*	*		
Woodcock	2					*
Lapwing	1	*				
Avocet	4			*		
Ruff	5	*				
Little Ringed Plover	4			*		
Ringed Plover	3			*		
Snipe	2	*	*	*		
Black-tailed Godwit	5	*				
Curlew	2	*				
Redshank	2	*		*		
Common Tern	3			*		
Turtle Dove	1.5				*	
Stock Dove	1					*
Cuckoo	2	*	*	*	*	*
Tawny Owl	2					*
Long-eared Owl	3				*	*

Species	Index score	Α	В	С	D	Е
Short-eared Owl	3	*				
Nightjar	3				*	*
Green Woodpecker	2					*
Greater Spotted Woodpecker	2					*
Lesser Spotted Woodpecker	3					*
Kingfisher	3			*		
Yellow Wagtail	1	*		*		
Grey Wagtail	2			*		
Tree Pipit	1.5				*	*
Nightingale	3				*	*
Redstart	1					*
Whinchat	2	*	*		*	
Stonechat	2				*	
Cetti's Warbler	4		*	*		
Grasshopper Warbler	2	*	*	*	*	
Whitethroat	2				*	
Lesser Whitethroat	2				*	
Garden Warbler	1					*
Blackcap	1				*	*
Wood Warbler	2					*
Chiffchaff	1					*
Goldcrest	1					*
Savi's Warbler	5		*	*		
Sedge Warbler	1	*	*	*		
Reed Warbler	2		*	*		
Marsh Warbler	5		*	*		
Spotted Flycatcher	1					*
Pied Flycatcher	2					*
Long-tailed Tit	1					*
Marsh Tit	1					*
Willow Tit	2					*
Coal Tit	1					*
Red-backed Shrike	5				*	
Bearded Tit	4		*	*		
Nuthatch	2					*
Tree Creeper	1					*
Reed Bunting	1	*		*		
Linnet	1				*	
Golden Oriole	5					*
Jay	1					*
Siskin	2					*
Redpoll	1					*
Index threshold required		11	13	24	10	26

APPENDIX 5C

RARE BREEDING BIRDS IN CAMBRIDGESHIRE

Garganey

Pochard

Marsh Harrier

Hobby

Quail

Stone Curlew

Black-tailed Godwit

Long-eared Owl

Short-eared Owl

Tree Pipit

Grey Wagtail

Black Redstart

Redstart

Wheatear

Cetti's Warbler

Wood Warbler

Pied Flycatcher

Bearded Tit

Nuthatch

Golden Oriole

Hawfinch

SCORING SYSTEM FOR THE SELECTION OF SITES WITH ASSEMBLAGES OF AMPHIBIANS

APPENDIX 6

		Low Population	Good Population	Exceptional Population
		Score 1	Score 2	Score 3
Great Crested Newt	Seen or netted during the day Counted or bottle trapped at night	<5 <10	5-50 10-100	>50 >100
Smooth Newt	Netted in day Counted at night	<10	10-100	>100
Palmate Newt	Netted in day Counted at night	<10	10-100	>100
Common Toad	Estimated Counted	<500 <100	500-5000 100-1000	>5000 >1000
Common Frog	Spawn clumps counted	<50	50-100	>500

Scores must be for breeding sites observed during the breeding season. Daytime netting should be made during a 15-minute period for sites with less than 50m of water's edge, for 30 minutes for sites with 50-100m and so on. To compute the total score for a site, add the scores for individual species and add one point for four species present and two points for five species.

APPENDIX 7A

REGIONAL RED LIST ASSESSMENT FOR BUTTERFLIES

Based on Fox, R., Dennis, E.B., Brown, A.F. and Curson, J. (2022). *A revised Red List of British Butterflies*. Insect Conservation and Diversity 15(5): 485-495.

[Previous Red Listing from Fox, R., Warren, M.S., and Brereton, T.M. (2010). *A New Red List of British Butterflies*, Species Status 12; 1-32. Joint Nature Conservation Committee, Peterborough.]

List edited to show species present in Cambridgeshire which are listed on the current UK Red List.

List updated October 2023. Silver-spotted Skipper, Swallowtail, Wood White, Duke of Burgundy and Brown Hairstreak have been removed as they are not currently present in the county. Dingy Skipper and Purple Emporer have been removed as they are now regarded as Least Concern.

Species	2022 UK Red Listing	2010 UK Red Listing
Wall	Endangered	Near Threatened
Black Hairstreak	Endangered	Endangered
Grizzled Skipper	Vulnerable	Vulnerable
Small Heath	Vulnerable	Near Threatened
White Admiral	Vulnerable	Vulnerable
White-letter Hairstreak*	Vulnerable	Endangered
Chalkhill Blue	Vulnerable	Near Threatened
Dark Green Fritillary	Near Threatened	Least Concern
Small Blue	Near Threatened	Near Threatened

^{*}White-letter Hairstreak is relatively widespread in Cambridgeshire (2023), sites should only be selected for this species if they are locally notable.

APPENDIX 7B

THE ODONATA RED DATA LIST FOR GREAT BRITAIN

From Daguet, C.A., French, G.C. and Taylor, P. (2008). *The Odonata Red Data List for Great Britain*. Species Status 11; 1-34. Joint Nature Conservation Committee, Peterborough.

List edited to show only species present in Cambridgeshire and surrounding counties as of March 2014.

List produced March 2014.

Endangered

Aeshna isosceles (Norfolk Hawker)

Near Threatened

Lestes dryas (Scarce Emerald Damselfly)
Ischnura pumilio (Scarce Blue-tailed Damselfly)
Coenagrion pulchellum (Variable Damselfly)
Libellula fulva (Scarce Chaser)

APPENDIX 7C

BEETLES INDICATIVE OF CONTINUITY OF SAPROXYLIC HABITATS, AND THE METHOD OF CALCULATION OF THE INDEX OF ECOLOGICAL CONTINUITY

From Alexander, K.N.A., *Revision of the Index of Ecological Continuity as used for saproxylic beetles,* English Nature Research Report No. 574, 2004, Peterborough.

For detail on the derivation of this method, see:

- Harding P. and Rose F., Pasture Woodlands in Lowland Britain, Institute of Terrestrial Ecology, 1986
- Alexander, K.N.A., 1988. The development of an index of ecological continuity for deadwood associated beetles. *In*: R.C. Welch. Insect indicators of ancient woodland. *Antenna*, 12, pp. 69-70
- Harding, P.T. & Alexander, K.N.A., 1994. The use of saproxylic invertebrates in the selection and evaluation of areas of relic forest in pasture-woodlands. British Journal of Entomology and Natural History, 7 (Suppl. 1), pp. 21-26

For information on rarity, see the JNCC spreadsheet "Conservation Designations for UK Taxa". Available from http://jncc.defra.gov.uk/ (12/06/2013).

To calculate the Index of Ecological Continuity: score 3 for Grade 1 species, score 2 for Grade 2 and 1 for Grade 3 and then add the scores. All admissable records for a site must be post-1950.

		Continuity	Other names in
Family	Species	grade	common usage
Histeridae	Plegaderus dissectus	2	
Histeridae	Abraeus granulum	1	
Histeridae	Aeletes atomarius	1	
Ptiliidae	Ptenidium gressneri	2	
Ptiliidae	Ptenidium turgidum	2	
Ptiliidae	Micridium halidaii	1	
Ptiliidae	Ptinella limbata	2	
Scydmaenidae	Eutheia formicetorum	1	
Scydmaenidae	Eutheia linearis	1	
Scydmaenidae	Stenichnus bicolor	3	
Scydmaenidae	Stenichnus godarti	2	
Scydmaenidae	Microscydmus minimus	1	
Scydmaenidae	Microscydmus nanus	2	
Scydmaenidae	Euconnus pragensis	1	
Scydmaenidae	Scydmaenus rufus	3	
Omaliinae	Phyllodrepa nigra	1	
Staphylininae	Xantholinus angularis	2	
Staphylininae	Velleius dilatatus	1	
Staphylininae	Quedius aetolicus	3	
Staphylininae	Quedius maurus	3	
Staphylininae	Quedius microps	3	
Staphylininae	Quedius scitus	2	
Staphylininae	Quedius truncicola	3	ventralis
Staphylininae	Quedius xanthopus	3	
Aleocharinae	Euryusa optabilis	2	
Aleocharinae	Euryusa sinuata	2	

Family	Species	Continuity grade	Other names in common usage
Aleocharinae	Tachyusida gracilis	1	
Pselaphidae	Bibloporus minutus	2	
Pselaphidae	Euplectus nanus	1	
Pselaphidae	Euplectus punctatus	1	
Pselaphidae	Plectophloeus nitidus	1	
Pselaphidae	Batrisodes adnexus	1	buqueti
Pselaphidae	Batrisodes delaporti	1	
Pselaphidae	Batrisodes venustus	1	
Scirtidae	Prionocyphon serricornis	3	
Scarabaeidae	Gnorimus nobilis	1	
Scarabaeidae	Gnorimus variabilis	1	
Eucnemidae	Melasis buprestoides	3	
Eucnemidae	Microrhagus pygmaeus	3	
Eucnemidae	Eucnemis capucina	1	
Throscidae	Aulonothroscus brevicollis	1	
Elateridae	Lacon querceus	1	
Elateridae	Calambus bipustulatus	3	
Elateridae	Limoniscus violaceus	1	
Elateridae	Stenagostus rhombeus	3	villosus
Elateridae	Ampedus cardinalis	1	
Elateridae	Ampedus cinnabarinus	1	
Elateridae	Ampedus elongantulus	3	
Elateridae	Ampedus riigerrimus	1	
Elateridae	Ampedus pomorum	3	
Elateridae	Ampedus quercicola	1	nomonoo
Elateridae	Ampedus ruficeps	1	pomonae
Elateridae	Ampedus rufipennis	1	
Elateridae		2	
	Ischnodes sanguinicollis		
Elateridae	Megapenthes lugens	1	
Elateridae	Procraeus tibialis	1	
Elateridae	Elater ferrugineus	1	
Lycidae	Pyropterus nigroruber	3	
Lycidae	Platycis cosnardi	1	
Lycidae	Platycis minutus	3	
Cantharidae	Malthodes crassicornis	1	
Dermestidae	Globicornis rufitarsis	1	nigripes
Dermestidae	Trinodes hirtus	1	
Bostrichidae	Lyctus brunneus	3	
Anobiidae	Xestobium rufovillosum	3	
Anobiidae	Gastrallus immarginatus	1	
Anobiidae	Dorcatoma ambjoerni	2	
Anobiidae	Dorcatoma chrysomelina	3	
Anobiidae	Dorcatoma dresdensis	2	
Anobiidae	Dorcatoma flavicornis	3	
Anobiidae	Dorcatoma serra	2	
Anobiidae	Anitys rubens	1	
Ptininae	Ptinus subpilosus	2	
Lymexylidae	Hylecoetus dermestoides	3	
Lymexylidae	Lymexylon navalis	2	
Phloiophilidae	Phloiophilus edwardsii	3	
Trogossitidae	Thymalus limbatus	2	
Cleridae	Tillus elongatus	3	

Family	Species	Continuity grade	Other names in common usage
Cleridae	Opilo mollis	3	
Cleridae	Thanasimus formicarius	3	
Cleridae	Korynetes caeruleus	3	
Melyridae	Aplocnemus impressus	2	pini
Melyridae	Aplocnemus nigricornis	2	
Melyridae	Hypebaeus flavipes	1	
Nitidulidae	Carpophilus sexpustulatus	3	
Nitidulidae	Epuraea angustula	3	
Rhizophagidae	Rhizophagus nitidulus	3	
Rhizophagidae	Rhizophagus oblongicollis	1	
Silvanidae	Silvanus bidentatus	2	
Silvanidae	Silvanus unidentatus	3	
Silvanidae	Uleiota planata	2	
Cucujidae	Pediacus depressus	2	
Cucujidae	Pediacus dermestoides	3	
Laemophloeidae	Notolaemus unifasciatus	2	
Cryptophagidae	Cryptophagus micaceus	1	
Erotylidae	Triplax lacordairii	3	
Erotylidae	Triplax russica	3	
Erotylidae	Triplax russica Triplax scutellaris	3	
Erotylidae	Tritoma bipustulata	3	
Biphyllidae	Biphyllus lunatus	3	
Biphyllidae	Diplocoelus fagi	3	
Cerylonidae	Cerylon fagi	2	
Endomychidae	Symbiotes latus	3	
Lathridiidae	Lathridius consimilis	1	
Lathridiidae	Enicmus brevicornis	3	
Lathridiidae	Enicmus rugosus	2	
Lathridiidae	Corticaria alleni	1	
Mycetophagidae	Pseudotriphyllus suturalis	3	
Mycetophagidae	Triphyllus bicolor	2	
Mycetophagidae	Mycetophagus atomarius	3	
Mycetophagidae	Mycetophagus piceus	2	
Mycetophagidae	Mycetophagus populi	2	
Mycetophagidae	Mycetophagus quadriguttatus	2	
Ciidae	Cis coluber	2	
Tetratomidae	Tetratoma ancora	3	
Tetratomidae	Tetratoma desmaresti	3	
Melandryidae	Hallomenus binotatus	3	
Melandryidae	Orchesia undulata	3	
Melandryidae	Anisoxya fuscula	3	
Melandryidae	Abdera biflexuosa	3	
Melandryidae	Abdera quadrifasciata	1	
Melandryidae	Phloiotrya vaudoueri	2	
Melandryidae	Hypulus quercinus	1	
Melandryidae	Melandrya barbata	1	
Melandryidae	Melandrya caraboides	3	
Melandryidae	Conopalpus testaceus	3	
Mordellidae	Tomoxia bucephala	3	
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Mordellidae	Mordellistena neuwaldeggiana	3	
Colydiidae	Synchita humeralis	3	
Colydiidae	Synchita separanda	3	

Family	Species	Continuity grade	Other names in common usage
Colydiidae	Cicones variegata	2	
Colydiidae	Bitoma crenata	3	
Colydiidae	Teredus cylindricus	1	
Colydiidae	Oxylaemus variolosus	2	
Tenebrionidae	Eledona agricola	3	
Tenebrionidae	Corticeus unicolor	2	
Tenebrionidae	Prionychus ater	3	
Tenebrionidae	Prionychus melanarius	1	
Tenebrionidae	Pseudocistela ceramboides	2	
Tenebrionidae	Mycetochara humeralis	2	
Oedemeridae	Ischnomera caerulea	1	
Oedemeridae	Ischnomera cinerascens	3	
Oedemeridae	Ischnomera cyanea	3	
Oedemeridae	Ischnomera sanguinicollis	1	
Pyrochroidae	Pyrochroa coccinea	3	
Aderidae	Aderus brevicornis	1	
Aderidae	Aderus oculatus	3	
Scraptiidae	Scraptia fuscula	1	
Scraptiidae	Scraptia testacea	1	
Scraptiidae			oobilolayono
	Anaspis septentrionalis	1 3	schilskyana
Cerambycidae	Prionus coriarius		
Cerambycidae	Grammoptera ustulata	1	- L - L ' I' -
Cerambycidae	Grammoptera variegata	3	abdominalis
Cerambycidae	Anoplodera scutellata	1	
Cerambycidae	Anoplodera sexguttata	2	
Cerambycidae	Leptura aurulenta	3	
Cerambycidae	Leptura quadrifasciata	3	
Cerambycidae	Leptura revestita	2	
Cerambycidae	Pyrrhidium sanguineum	1	
Cerambycidae	Phymatodes testaceus	3	
Cerambycidae	Mesosa nebulosa	2	
Cerambycidae	Saperda scalaris	3	
Anthribidae	Platyrhinus resinosus	3	
Anthribidae	Tropideres sepicola	1	
Anthribidae	Tropideres niveirostris	3	
Anthribidae	Platystomos albinus	3	
Rhynchophoridae	Dryophthorus corticalis	1	
Curculionidae	Rhopalomesites tardyi	3	
Curculionidae	Cossonus parallelepipedus	3	
Curculionidae	Stereocorynes truncorum	1	
Curculionidae	Trachodes hispidus	3	
Scolytinae	Ernoporicus caucasicus	2	
Scolytinae	Ernoporicus fagi	3	
Scolytinae	Ernoporus tiliae	2	
Scolytinae	Xyleborinus saxeseni	3	
Scolytinae	Xyleborus dispar	3	
Scolytinae	Xyleborus dryographus	3	
Scolytinae	Trypodendron domesticum	3	
Scolytinae	Trypodendron signatum	3	
Platypodidae	Platypus cylindrus	3	

APPENDIX 7D

INVERTEBRATE INDEX SCORES

The Invertebrate Index was developed internally in the old Nature Conservancy Council and appears in various limited circulation reports, such as county Invertebrate Site Register reports from at least the mid-1980s. It does not appear to have an official publication associated with it but is widely accepted and used by entomologists.

IUCN Status	National Rarity Status	Local Status	Score
none	Notable	n/a	50
none	Notable B	n/a	50
none	Notable A	n/a	50
none	Red Data Book 3 (Rare)	n/a	100
none	Red Data Book 2 (Vulnerable)	n/a	100
none	Red Data Book 1 (Endangered)	n/a	100
none	Red Data Book K (Unknown)	n/a	100
none	Red Data Book I (Indeterminate)	n/a	100
Critically Endangered	Nationally Scarce	n/a	100
Critically Endangered	Nationally Rare	n/a	100
Critically Endangered	none	n/a	100
Endangered	Nationally Scarce	n/a	100
Endangered	Nationally Rare	n/a	100
Endangered	none	n/a	100
Vulnerable	Nationally Scarce	n/a	100
Vulnerable	Nationally Rare	n/a	100
Vulnerable	none	n/a	100
Near Threatened	Nationally Scarce	n/a	100
Near Threatened	Nationally Rare	n/a	100
Near Threatened	none	n/a	50
Data Deficient	Nationally Scarce	n/a	50
Data Deficient	Nationally Rare	n/a	100
Data Deficient	none	n/a	0
Least Concern	Nationally Scarce	n/a	50
Least Concern	Nationally Rare	n/a	100
none	none	CPASI	50