

# Gwent Wildlife Site/SINC Notification Form

## SITE SUMMARY

SITE NAME: Brook House Orchard

GRID REF: S O 3 6 1 0 5 6

SURVEYOR(S): Andv Karran

SIZE (approx.): c.0.14ha

DATE OF SURVEY: 30/08/13

LOCAL AUTHORITY AREA: Monmouthshire

WARD: Llanover

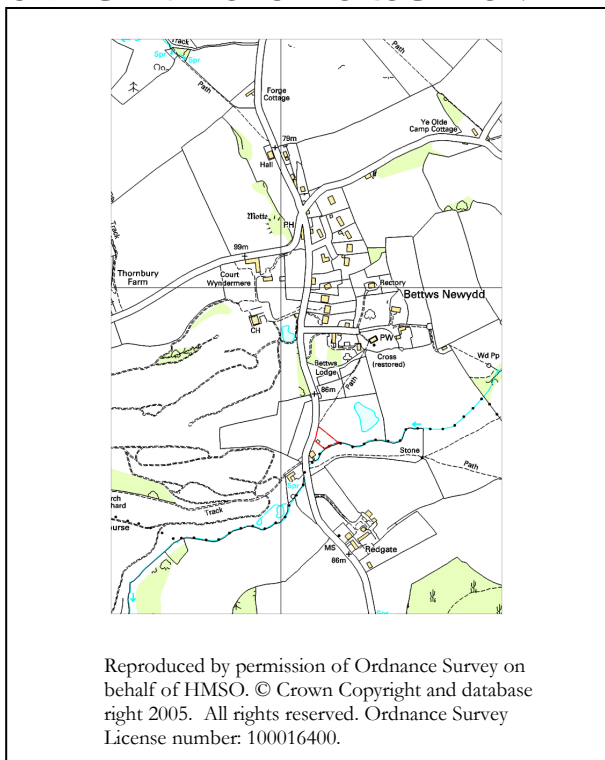
### MAIN HABITAT TYPES PRESENT:

Habitat types	NVC type	Area (ha)

### LBAP PRIORITY HABITATS/SPECIES PRESENT?

Veteran tree & traditional orchards

### SKETCH MAP OF SITES LOCATION:



### FULL DESCRIPTION OF SITE (including topography, adjacent land use, access and boundaries etc.):

This is a small orchard to the north of Brook House and effectively just forming an extension of the garden to this property. The orchard is flanked by trees. It is mown (but quite long at time of survey) with one area left to go rough (Nettles (*Urtica dioica*) and Comfrey (*Symphytum* sp.)). Apples predominate (also a Pear and Walnut) and most trees are quite old with veteran tree features present. There is also a newly planted Plum and Apple. The Walnut is of considerable size and shows some signs of disease such as fungi.

#### Orchard:

- 5 or more cultivated fruit or nut trees, crown edges no more than 20m apart - **Y**
- Being of a traditional structure which may currently be or have been managed in a traditional way - **Y**
- Old trees plus two of the following - **Y**
  - Standing deadwood - **Y**
  - Fallen deadwood - **Y**
  - Cavities - **Y**

**Official Use Only:** Site selected as a Wildlife Site/SINC? YES  NO  Date: 22/10/13

# DETAILED SITE INFORMATION

SITE OWNERSHIP: Including names of any tenants/graziers Name(s)

Name(s)			
Addresses			
Tel.no.		Mobile:	

Please log all landowner/tenant contact starting from the initial permission for access to survey

Date	Contact	Discussion subjects/decisions made

Is/are the owner(s)	i) aware of the site's nature conservation value? Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	ii) managing the land sympathetically? Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	iii) willing to manage the land sympathetically? Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown <input type="checkbox"/>

Describe the access to the site:

Via the garden to the rear of Brook House.

Are there any public rights of way on the site?

**No**

If so please describe their location:

N/A

What is the current management at the site?

Mown.

Are there any threats to the site?

None known

Are there any invasive species present?

None noted

Are there any protected species present?

None noted

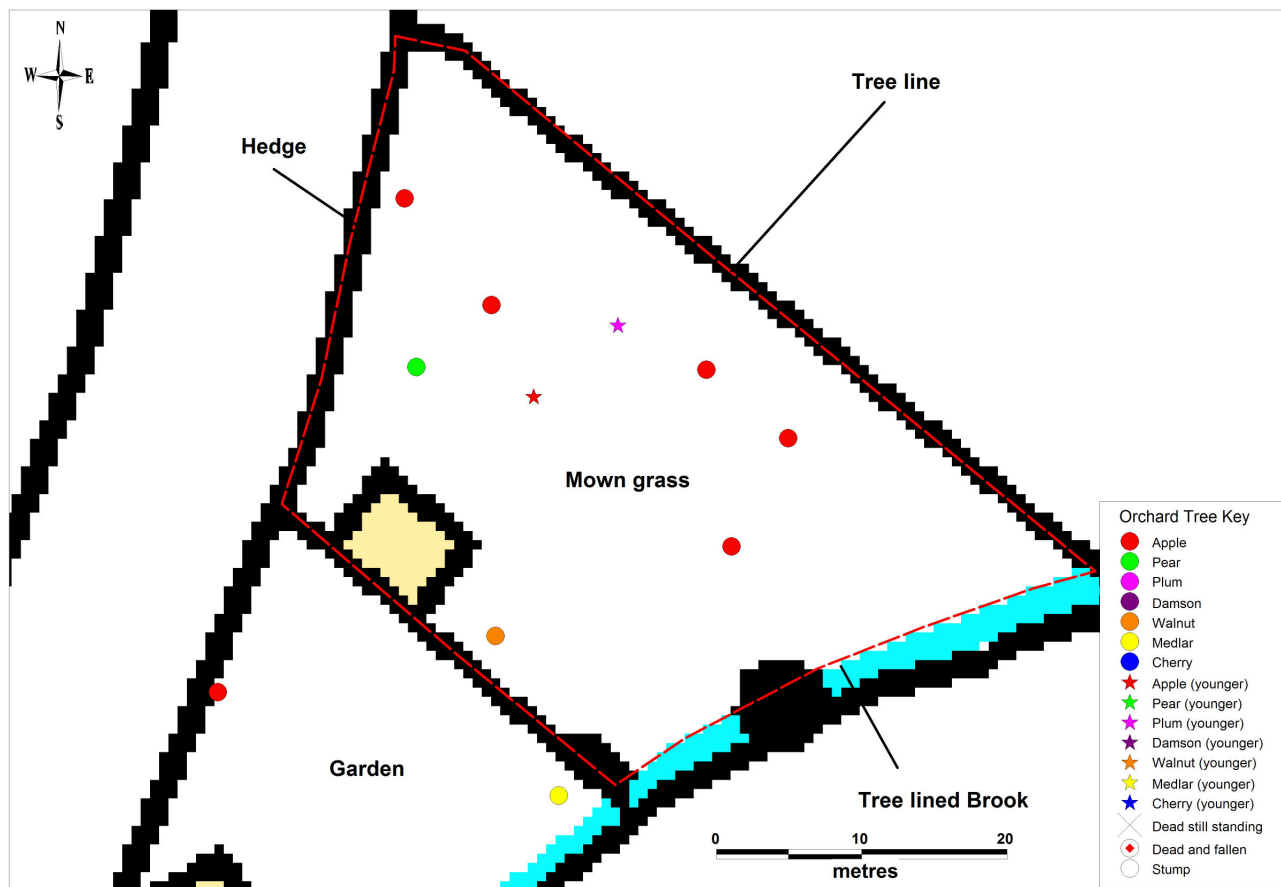
Please state the section(s) of the Wildlife Sites Guidance that this site qualifies under:

**H2) Parklands, Orchards and Veteran Trees – (Orchards)**

Is the site part of any grant schemes? Yes  No  Grant Scheme:.....End date.....

Does the site already have any designations? Yes  No  Designation:.....

Sketch map of site (including northpoint, scale and areas of the site of particular note):



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Please list all additional survey information both past and present that relates to this site:

- CCW Phase 1, 1991.
- Adventa Orchards Project
- PTES Orchard Project
- Gwent Orchards Project 2010-2012

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Site no.: WS/SO30/22

Please note: The data on this form may be held in accordance with the Gwent Wildlife Trust's registration under the Data Protection Act 1996

Summary of information from surveys undertaken during Gwent Orchards Project 2010-2012 supplemented by further information gained during Local Wildlife Site Surveys 2013.

**The appendix has been removed as it contains landowner information.**