

SINC Recording Form

SITE SUMMARY

SITE NAME: Pill Farm (LDP Candidate Site CS/0241)

GRID REF: ST 488873

SIZE (approx.): 1.85 ha

DATE OF SURVEY: June 2009

SOIL TYPE:

GEOLOGY:

WARD: Monmouthshire

SLOPE:

SURVEYOR(S): J Winder

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MAIN HABITAT TYPES PRESENT:

Habitat types	NVC type	Area (ha)
SI species rich grassland		1.5
scrub		0.35

SKETCH MAP OF SITES LOCATION:



LBAP PRIORITY HABITATS/SPECIES PRESENT?

Species rich grassland

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

A large area of species rich grassland on the Gwent Levels edge just south of Caldicot. The site is surrounded by reens and is actually within the Gwent Levels Magor and Undy SSSI (designated for different reasons not including grassland value). The Severn Estuary SSSI, SAC, SPA and Ramsar site lies approximately 100m to the south.

A factory lies to the north of the site and public footpath runs from the northern corner along the eastern and northern edge. There is an area of scrub in the south eastern corner.

Official Use Only: Site selected as a Wildlife Site/SINC? YES NO Date: 14/04/2010

DETAILED SITE INFORMATION

SITE OWNERSHIP: Including names of any tenants/graziers

Name(s)

Address

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 No
 ii) managing the land sympathetically? Yes No
 iii) willing to manage the land sympathetically? Yes No Unknown

Describe the access to the site:

[Large empty box for description of access]

Are there any public rights of way on the site?

No

If so please describe their location:

Public Footpaths run outside along boundaries

What is the current management at the site?

Unknown

Are there any threats to the site?

Yes, LDP candidate site CS/0241

Are there any invasive species present?

Unknown

Are there any protected species present?

Unknown

Please state the section(s) of the Wildlife Site Guidelines that this site qualifies under:

H4 neutral grasslands

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

Does the site already have any designations? Yes No Designation: **Gwent Levels Magor and Undy SSSI**

Phase one map of site:



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

LDP ecological assessment 2009 ref: CS/0241

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Site no.:

Please note: The data on this form may be held in accordance with the Monmouthshire County Council's registration under the Data Protection Act 1996

SITE NAME:

FIELD NUMBER:

DATE:

	D	O	Conopodium majus (pignut)		D	Primula veris (cowslip)		D
Agrostis tenuis (common bent)	✓	O	Crepis capillaris (smooth hawks-beard)			Prunella vulgaris (self-heal)		
Agrostis stolonifera (creeping bent)	✓	O	Crepis biennis (rough hawks-beard)			Pteridium aquilinum (bracken)		
Aira praecox (early hair-grass)			Dactylorhiza fuchsii (c. spotted orchid)			Pulicaria dysenterica (fleabane)		
Alopecurus geniculatus (marsh foxtail)	✓	O	Dactylorhiza praetermissa (s.msh orchid)			Ranunculus acris (meadow buttercup)	✓	F
Alopecurus pratensis (meadow foxtail)	✓	O	Daucus carota (wild carrot)			Ranunculus auricomus (gldcks buttercup)		
Anthoxanthum odoratum(sweet vnl grass)	✓	D	Equisetum arvense (field horsetail)			Ranunculus bulbosus (bulbous buttercup)	✓	R
Arrhenatherum elatius (false oat grass)			Erica cinerea (bell-heather)			Ranunculus flammula (lesser spearwort)		
Brachypodium pinnatum (tor grass)			Erica tetralix (cross-leaved heath)			Ranunculus repens (creeping buttercup)		
Briza media (quaking grass)			Eupatorium cannabinum (hemp-agrimony)	✓	R	Rhinanthus minor (yellow rattle)		
Bromopsis erecta (upright brome)			Euphorbia amygdaloides (wood spurge)			Rubus fruticosus (bramble)		
Bromus commutatus (meadow brome)			Euphrasia officinalis agg. (eyebright)			Rumex acetosa (common sorrel)	✓	R
Bromus racemosus (smooth brome)			Filipendula ulmaria (meadowsweet)			Rumex acetosella (sheeps sorrel)		
Cynosurus cristatus (crested dog's tail)			Fragaria vesca (wild strawberry)			Sanguisorba minor (salad burnet)		
Dactylis glomerata (cocks foot)	✓	F	Galium odoratum (sweet woodruff)			Scabiosa columbaria (small scabious)		
Danthonia decumbens (heath grass)			Galium palustre (marsh-bedstraw)			Scrophularia nodosa (figwort)		
Deschampsia caespitosa (tftd hair grass)			Galium saxatile (heath bedstraw)			Senecio aquaticus (marsh ragwort)		
Deschampsia flexuosa (wavy hair-grass)			Galium verum (lady's bedstraw)			Senecio jacobea (ragwort)		
Eriophorum angustifolium(cmn ctnggrass)			Genista tinctoria (dyers greenweed)			Silaum silaus (pepper-saxifrage)		
Festuca ovina (sheep's fescue)			Geranium pratense (meadow cranes bill)			Stachys officinalis (betony)		
Festuca rubra (red fescue)			Geranium robertianum (herb robert)			Stachys palustris (marsh woundwort)		
Glyceria fluitans (floating sweet-grass)			Glechoma hederacea (ground ivy)			Stachys sylvatica (hedge woundwort)		
Helictotrichon pratense (mdw oat-grass)			Heracleum sphondylium (hogweed)	✓	R	Stellaria graminea (lesser stichwort)		
Holcus lunatus (yorkshire fog)	✓	F	Helianthemum nummularium (rock-rose)			Stellaria holostea (greater stichwort)		
Holcus mollis (creeping soft grass)			Hyacinthoides non-scripta (bluebell)			Succisa pratensis (devils bit-scabious)		
Lolium perenne (perennial rye grass)			Hypericum maculatum(imp StJohns-Wort)			Taraxacum officinale (dandelion)		
Milium effusum (wood millet)			Hypericum perforatum (pf St Johns-Wort)			Thymus polytrichus (wild thyme)		
Melica uniflora (wood mellick)			Hypericum tetrapterum (sq.sd StJns-Wort)			Trifolium medium (zig zag clover)		
Molinia caerulea (purple moor-grass)			Hypochaeris glabra (smooth cats ear)			Trifolium pratense (red clover)	✓	O
Nardus stricta (mat grass)			Hypochaeris radicata (common cats ear)			Trifolium repens (white clover)	✓	O
Phalaris arundinacea (reed canary grass)			Jasione montana (sheep's bit)			Tragopogon pratensis (goat's-beard)	✓	R
Phleum pratense (timothy grass)			Juncus acutiflorus (sharp-flowered rush)			Vaccinium myrtillus (bilberry)		
Poa annua (annual meadow grass)			Juncus articulatus (jointed rush)			Valeriana dioica (marsh valerian)		
Poa trivialis (rough meadow grass)	✓	F	Juncus conglomeratus (compact rush)			Valeriana officinalis (common valerian)		
Trisetum flavescens (yellow oat grass)			Juncus effusus (soft rush)			Veronica beccabunga (brooklime)		
Achillea millefolium (yarrow)			Juncus inflexus (hard rush)			Veronica chamaedrys (gemdr. speedwell)		
Achillea ptarmica (sneezewort)			Juncus squarrosum (heath rush)			Vicia cracca (tufted vetch)	✓	O
Agrimonia eupatoria (agrimony)			Juncus subnodulosus (blunt-flowered rush)			Vicia sativa (common vetch)	✓	O
Ajuga reptans (bugle)			Knautia arvensis (field scabious)			Alchemilla filicaulis (Lady's mantle)		
Alchemilla rotundiflora (harebell)			Lamiastrum galeobdolon(yellow archangel)			Viola canina (heath dog-violet)		
Campanula trachelium (net-lvd bellflower)			Lathyrus nissolia (grass vetchling)			Allium ursinum (ramsons)		
Cardamine pratensis (cuckoo flower)	✓	R	Lathyrus pratensis (meadow vetchling)			Anemone nemorosa (wood anemone)		
Carex caryophyllea (spring sedge)			Leontodon autumnalis (autumn hawkbit)			Angelica sylvestris (wild angelica)		
Carex disticha (brown sedge)			Leontodon hispidus (rough hawkbit)			Blackstonia perfoliata (yellow-wort)		
Carex divulsa (grey sedge)			Leontodon saxatilis (lesser hawkbit)			Calluna vulgaris (ling heather)		
Carex echinata (star sedge)			Leucanthemum vulgare (oxeye daisy)			Caltha palustris (marsh marigold)		
Carex flacca (glaucous sedge)			Linum catharticum (fairy flax)			Campanula rotundiflora (harebell)		
Carex nigra (common sedge)			Listera ovata (tway-blade orchid)			Campanula trachelium (net-lvd bellflower)		
Carex ovalis (oval sedge)			Lychmis flos-cuculi (ragged robin)			Cardamine pratensis (cuckoo flower)		
Carex panicea (carnation sedge)			Melampyrum pratense (cow-wheat)			Carex caryophyllea (spring sedge)		
Carex pendula (pendulous sedge)			Mentha aquatica (water mint)			Carex disticha (brown sedge)		
Carex remota (distant sedge)			Mercurialis perennis (dog's-mercury)			Carex divulsa (grey sedge)		
Carex riparia (greater pond-sedge)			Myosotis arvensis (field forget-me-not)			Carex echinata (star sedge)		
Carex rostrata (bottle sedge)			Narcissus pseudonarcissus (wild daffodil)			Carex flacca (glaucous sedge)		
Carex spicata (spiked sedge)			Oenanthe crocata (hmlck water-dropwort)			Carex nigra (common sedge)		
Carex sylvatica (wood sedge)			Ononis repens (common restarrow)			Carex ovalis (oval sedge)		
Centaurea nigra (common knapweed)	✓	O	Ophrys apifera (bee orchid)			Carex panicea (carnation sedge)		
Centaurea scabiosa (greater knapweed)			Orchis mascula (early purple orchid)			Carex pendula (pendulous sedge)		
Centaurium erythraea (cmnn centuary)			Orchis morio (green-winged orchid)			Carex remota (distant sedge)		
Cerastium holosteoides(cmn. mouse-ear)			Pilosella officinarum (mse-ear hawkweed)			Carex riparia (greater pond-sedge)		
Chrysosplenium oppositifolium (op.l.gsxfg)			Pimpinella saxifraga (burnet saxifrage)			Carex rostrata (bottle sedge)		
Cirsium arvense (creeping thistle)	✓	LA	Plantago lanceolata (ribwort plantain)			Carex spicata (spiked sedge)		
Cirsium dissectum (meadow thistle)			Polygala serpyllifolia (heath milkwort)			Carex sylvatica (wood sedge)		
Cirsium palustre (marsh thistle)			Polygala vulgaris (common milkwort)			Centaurea nigra (common knapweed)		
Cirsium vulgare (spear thistle)			Potentilla anserina (silverweed)			Centaurea scabiosa (greater knapweed)		
			Potentilla erecta (tormentil)			Centaurium erythraea (cmnn centuary)		
			Potentilla reptans (creeping cinquefoil)	✓	O	Cerastium holosteoides(cmn. mouse-ear)		
			Potentilla sterilis (barren strawberry)			Chrysosplenium oppositifolium (op.l.gsxfg)		

Fauna recorded during survey: