

# Gwent Wildlife Site/SINC Notification Form

## SITE SUMMARY

SITE NAME: **Great House Farm (Horse Pasture) Orchard**

GRID REF: **S T 3 9 2 9 8 5**

SURVEYOR(S): **Andv Karran**

SIZE (approx.): **1.31ha**

DATE OF SURVEY: **9/09/13**

LOCAL AUTHORITY AREA:  
**Monmouthshire**

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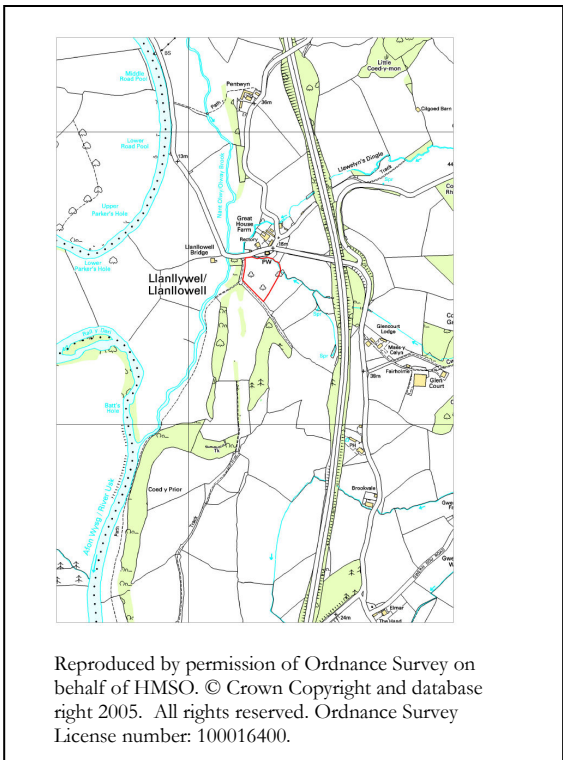
### MAIN HABITAT TYPES PRESENT:

| 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.):

An old orchard site on Horse grazed pasture, which did not appear to be particularly species rich. The land slopes downwards to the north and is surrounded by hedges/tree lines. The orchard has died out from part of the site (principally the western side) but is still present on the eastern side of the site with a mix of veteran trees, more recently planted trees and very recently planted trees. Apple is the principal component but Pear, Walnut, Damson & Cherry (of which there is a very large dying specimen) are also present. Elder is scattered throughout the orchard as well and includes both large and old specimens.

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"/> Y |

Describe the access to the site:

Through gate off road to the north of site.

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?

Horse grazing. Some recent fruit tree planting

Are there any threats to the site?

None noted

Are there any invasive species present?

None noted.

Are there any protected species present?

None noted

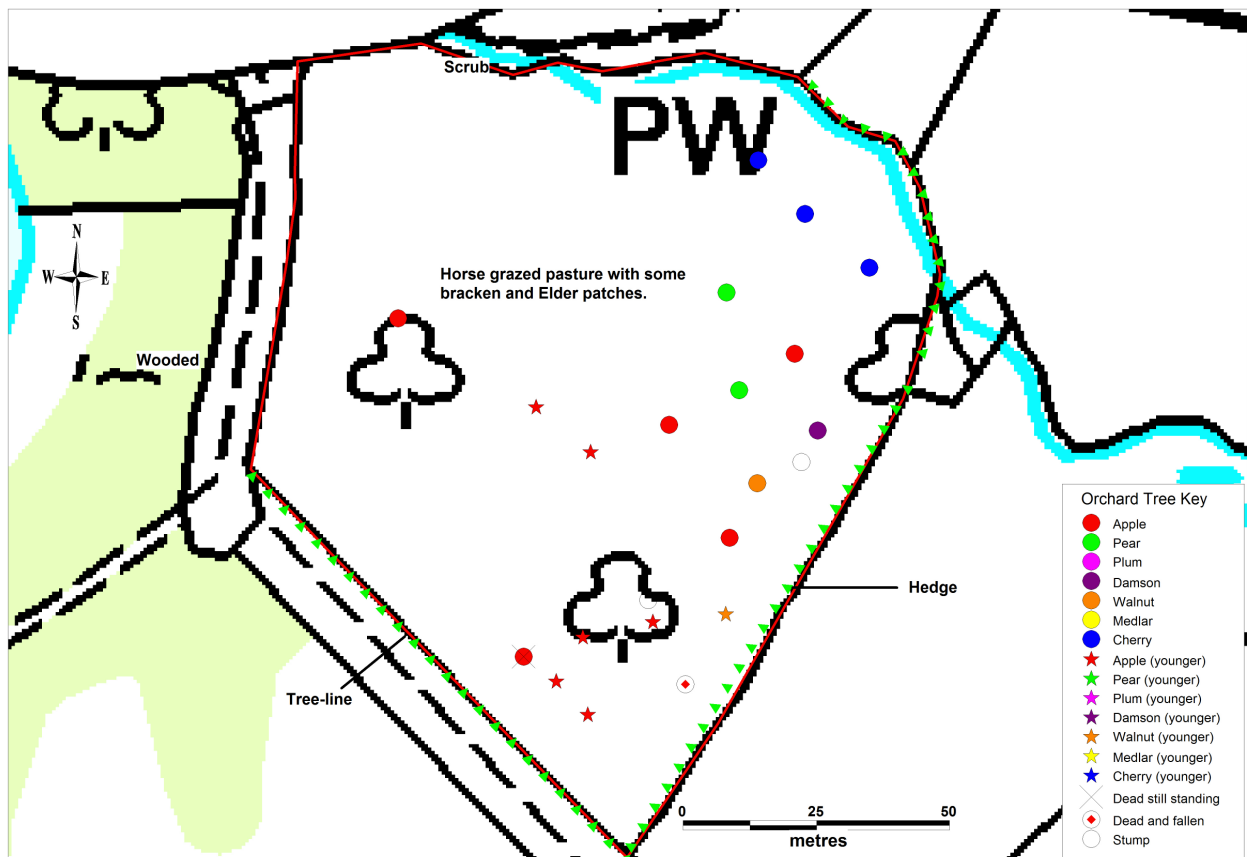
Please state the section(s) of the Wildlife Sites Guidance that this site qualifies under:

**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):



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/ST39/10

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.**