

Gwent Wildlife Site/SINC Notification Form

SITE SUMMARY

SITE NAME:

GRID REF:

SURVEYOR(S):

SIZE (approx.):

DATE OF SURVEY:

LOCAL AUTHORITY AREA:

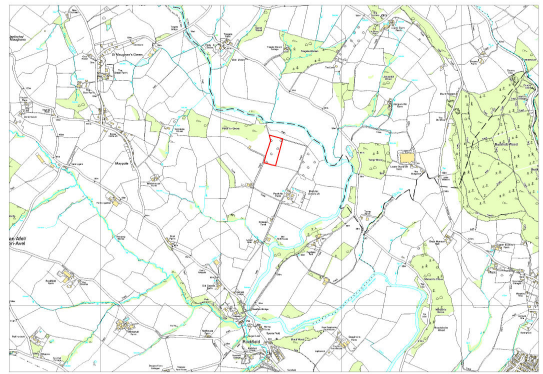
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MAIN HABITAT TYPES PRESENT:

Habitat types	NVC type	Area (ha)

LBAP PRIORITY HABITATS/SPECIES PRESENT?

SKETCH MAP OF SITES LOCATION:



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

A sheep grazed orchard that slopes gently downwards to the east and north. The grassland is not particularly species rich. A mix of hedge/fencing and just fencing flank the site and make it stock-proof. The orchard is large and full of fruit trees (all apple) as it is still utilised commercially (cider making). A considerable number of the trees give the appearance of being perhaps 30-40 years old and a small number are more recently planted. There is however still a significant number of veteran trees scattered throughout the orchard. These are very nice trees with hollow trunks, lots of mistletoe, dead wood, but still in apparently good health. Also present are the occasional dead tree both standing and fallen. Fallen dead wood is left in-situ or collected up into piles but is left within the orchard.

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"/>	Unknown <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"/>	

Describe the access to the site:

Public Footpath runs along track from Perth-Hir Farm. A track then turns uphill and cuts through northern edge of orchard.

Are there any public rights of way on the site?

No

If so please describe their location:

No

What is the current management at the site?

Sheep grazed. Trees pruned as required and fruit picked. Some newer planting has been undertaken.

Are there any threats to the site?

The orchard not being commercially viable and changed to a different crop.

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/SO41/27

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.