

Site Code	Site Name	Grid Reference	Size	Main Habitats	LBAP Priority Habitats / Species	Full description	Wildlife Site Qualifying Features
WS/SO41/15	Upper Red House Farm	SO428129	10.25 ha	Species Rich Grassland (MG5 and MG6) Scrub Species Rich Marshy Grasslands	Species Rich Grassland (HAP) <i>Lepus europaeus</i> (Brown Hare) (SAP)	<p>A large farm, parts of which are of Wildlife Site quality, within the Tir Gofal scheme and managed sympathetically for wildlife, although farmed by a tenant farmer. The two fields furthest east have a wet element, with patches dominated by <i>Juncus</i> Sp, but also include <i>Caltha palustris</i> and <i>Carex caryophylla</i>. The field to the north is steeply sloping and grazed, but with species such as <i>Ononis repens</i>, <i>Lathyrus pratensis</i> and <i>Centaurea nigra</i>. A strip fenced off joins the eastern and western block - this is an arable margin that lines the stream. The western hay meadow has a southerly-facing slope with <i>Lotus corniculatus</i>, <i>Hypericum maculatum</i> and <i>Stellaria graminea</i>; and it was in this field a brown hare (<i>Lepus europaeus</i>) was seen.</p> <p>Organic farm, some areas of which are already identified as a grassland LWS. The proposal is to extend the LWS to include two fields and a woodland. The two fields are semi-improved species rich neutral grassland with some areas of wet woodland. Species present include Common spotted, Orchid Southern Marsh orchid, Ragged Robin, Common Bird's foot trefoil, greater birds foot trefoil, and Glaucous sedge. These two fields contain more than eight indicator species in good abundance spread across both fields and easily qualify as LWS standard.</p> <p>The woodland is on the northern side of the two fields and comprises of areas of mixed broad leaved woodland. Dominated by Ash and Sycamore, and wet alder woodland. The woodland has good ground flora though in areas bramble is dominant. Species of interest include Betony, Sanicle, and Greater Butterfly Orchid.</p>	<p>H4 Neutral Grasslands</p> <p>H1 Woodlands</p> <p>S7 Vascular Plants – Contributory Species (greater butterfly orchid)</p>