

Site Code	Site Name	Grid Reference	Size	Main Habitats	LBAP Priority Habitats / Species	Full description	Wildlife Site Qualifying Features
WS/SO41/38	Twyn Ruthlin Orchard	S0447144	1.05 ha		Veteran tree & traditional orchards	<p>The orchard is within two improved grassland fields, the more southerly slopes downwards to the north and east and the more northerly slopes in a generally easterly direction. The grass is grazed by sheep and has scattered Nettle (<i>Urtica dioica</i>) and Thistle (<i>Cirsium</i> sp.). It is surrounded by hedges with that dividing the fields being the best and would be classified as "Important". They are stock-proof. The orchard trees are primarily Apple, these are of a considerable age, with some dead</p> <p>wood and Mistletoe (<i>Viscum alba</i>) and one being hollow but still very much alive. Additionally there are some Plum trees at the periphery of the more southerly field site and some Hawthorns are notable for their size and the fact they have Mistletoe also. The more northerly field is not recorded as being an orchard historically but contains five old Apple trees (1 dead 2012) and is immediately adjacent the orchard in the southern field so has been included in the site although this does result in considerable areas of improved grassland of no particular wildlife value being included.</p>	H2) Parklands, Orchards and Veteran Trees – (Orchards)