

Monmouthshire County Council SINC

Site Code	Site Name	Grid Reference	Size	Main Habitats	LBAP Priority Habitats / Species	Full description	Wildlife Site Qualifying Features
WS/SO50/73	Barbadoes Hill	SO523006	0.46 ha	Neutral Grassland (MG5)	Lowland species-rich Grassland (HAP)	Two small, horse grazed stock-proof fields, comprising species rich, neutral grassland with an acid influence. Field 2 was the most species-rich field, comprising in particular high abundances of <i>Hypochaeris radicata</i> , <i>Leucanthemum vulgare</i> , <i>Lotus corniculatus</i> & <i>Centaurea nigra</i> , and locally frequent Yellow wax cap fungi on the steeper parts. Field 1 had a similar species composition but may have been slightly improved in the past, some indicators were present but in low frequencies. Both fields were short grazed with tussocks, herb-rich patches. Both are bordered by Barbadoes Wood to the north, and are gentle/moderately sloping to the south. (Two fields on the south side of the road, included in the original Phase 1 have now been planted with broadleaved trees/converted to amenity grassland.)	H4 Neutral Grasslands