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SITE OF SPECIAL SCIENTIFIC INTEREST CITATION

POWYS

KINGSWOOD MEADOW

Date of Notification: 1990

National Grid Reference: SJ 241027

O.S. Maps: 1:50,000 Sheet number: 126
1:25,000 Sheet number: SJ 20

Site Area: 0.5 ha

Description:

This site comprises a single small hay field occupying a level site between the Severn and Camlad valleys near Forden. Although situated above the flood plain, the vegetation here shows strong affinities with that found in the flood meadows of central and southern England. This type of vegetation is not known anywhere else in Montgomeryshire.

The sward is characterised by an abundance of great burnet *Sanguisorba officinalis*, together with grasses such as meadow-foxtail *Alopercurus pratensis*, sweet vernal-grass *Anthoxanthum odoratum* and smooth meadow-grass *Poa pratensis*. Soft-brome *Bromus hordeaceus* subs. *hordeaceus*, perennial rye-grass *Lolium perenne*, meadow vetchling *Lathyrus pratensis*, ribwort plantain *Plantago lanceolata*, meadow buttercup *Ranunculus acris*, common sorrel *Rumex acetosa* and red clover *Trifolium pratense* are common throughout. Other characteristic associates include cuckooflower *Cardamine pratensis*, common knapweed *Centaurea nigra*, common mouse-ear *Cerastium fontanum*, meadowsweet *Filipendula ulmaria*, common dandelion *Taraxacum officinale* and yellow oat-grass *Trisetum flavescens*.

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