Ems Botanical Corridor Survey



Photo 1 Hildenbrandia rivularis

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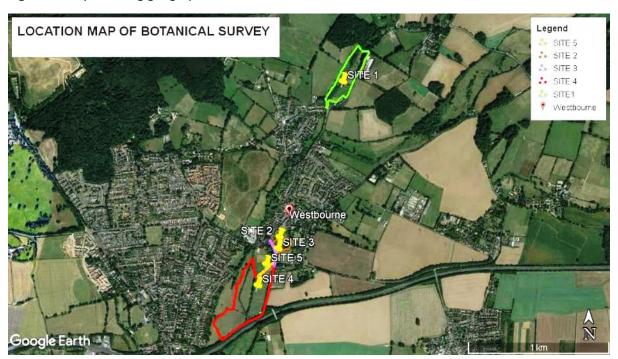
1. Summary

This is a brief summary of findings of the site survey carried out at along sections of the River Ems.

- Middleton Ecology was commissioned by Chichester District Council to undertake a botanical survey of accessible areas along the River Ems and highlight the species of conservation concern.
- The areas that were surveyed were outside the South Downs National Park.
- Three areas were surveyed on 12/08/2020 and are to be known as site 1, site 2 and site 3. Then a further two sites were surveyed on the 31/08/2020 and are to be known as site 4 and site 5.
- During the extended botanical survey, the sites were found to comprise of chalk stream, broad-leaved hedgerows and tall ruderal and at times they interspersed with broad-leaved wet woodland, meadow, semi-improved grassland and open water. See figure 1 for the location of the sites relevant to the position of Westbourne.
- There is potential for the tall Ruderal habitat to support slow worm and grass snake, which are protected against killing and injury under the Wildlife and Countryside Act, 1981 (as amended). Note a Slow worm was seen on site 4 in this habitat.
- The hedgerow and wet woodland habitats found within these sites are likely to support breeding birds. Under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended), it is illegal to take, damage or destroy the nests of wild birds whilst being built or when in use. The breeding bird season is generally accepted to be from March to August inclusive, although some species will breed outside this period.

- There are a number of dead trees and mature trees covered in ivy that have the potential to support summer roosting bats. Bats are fully protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) and the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations, 2017.
- During the survey evidence of water vole droppings were found in site 3 and are protected in accordance with the duty placed on Local Planning Authorities to have due regard for biodiversity under the NERC Act, 2006.
- The habitats on site have the potential to support the European hedgehog. The European hedgehog is a species of principal importance, listed under Section 41 of the NERC Act, 2006.
- Winter Heliotrope which is a non-native invasive species was found growing beside the stream (site 3). Holm Oak was found growing beside the footpath on site 4.
- See Appendix 1 for the records for the Botanical Survey carried out on the 12/08/2020 and 31/08/2020.

Figure 1. Map showing geographical location of the sites



Site Location (Google Earth Pro, 2020).

2. Brief and Objectives

The purpose of the survey was to:

- Map and identify the existing habitats within the sites along the Ems.
- Check for evidence of protected species and assess the potential for protected species to be present in the sites along the Ems.
- Check for evidence of invasive species.

3. Chalk Indicator Species

There are a number of chalk-stream indicator plants to be found in West Sussex and the Ems is one of the better streams. The surveys that took place on the 12/08/2020 and the 31/08/2020 were late in the season. However, because the Ems flows all year round and does not dry up completely like many of the other chalk streams in West Sussex - a good number of plant species were found. The list of species found is not a definitive list and a survey in the spring would increase the list. There is always the potential that other species can be found within these five sites and certainly along other stretches of the Ems.

The problems that affect chalk streams are:

- Ditching, straightening and removal of natural features
- Weirs, concrete training walls and man-made obstructions to flow
- Urbanisation and gardenisation
- Non-native invasive species
- Water abstraction
- pollution

The botanical chalk-stream Indicator species found were as follows: -

Ranunculus pencillatus subsp pseudofluitans Brook Water Crowfoot

Veronica anagalis aquatica Blue Water Speedwell

Rorippa-nasturtium-aquaticum Water-cress

Callitriche obtusangula Blunt-fruited Water Starwort

Glyceria fluitans Floating Sweet-grass

Hildenbrandia rivularis (red algae on stones)

Hygroamblystegium tenax Fountain Feather-moss

Platyhypnidium ripariodes Long-beaked Water Feather-moss

Cratoneuron filicinum Fern-leaved Hook-moss

Pellia endiviifolia Endive Pelia

4. Other plants of note

If any of these sites came under threat from development in the future? The NPPF 2019 sets out government policy on biodiversity in planning decisions. Under the NPPF 2019, the presence of a protected species is a material consideration when a planning authority is considering a development proposal. A number of plants recorded are of conservation concern usually due to their habitat disappearing like the Pepper Saxifrage and Corky-fruited Water Dropwort which are

indicators of old meadow sites. The one plant of Spurge Laurel is a chalk woodland indicator. See also the list of chalk-stream species above.

5. Non-native Invasive Species

Two non-native invasive species were recorded during the survey. On site 3, during the survey the plant species known as Winter Heliotrope was found and on site 4, a single sapling of Holm Oak was found. These species are regulated by Schedule 9, Section 2 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act, 1981 (as amended), which lists non-native species that are already established in the wild, but which continue to pose a conservation threat to native biodiversity and habitats, such that species management and further releases should be regulated. Luckily, both these species are in small patches and are not so invasive to the chalk stream.

Site 1



Site one comprises of the slow running chalk stream, some open water at the source of a spring, wet woodland, meadow, semi-improved field and lots of tall ruderal habitat. There were a number of good chalk-stream indicators found on the site including Brook Water Crowfoot. Blue Water Speedwell, Water-cress, Floating Sweet-grass, *Hildenbrandia rivularis*, Fern-leaved Hook-moss, Fountain Feather-moss, Long-beaked Water Feather-moss and Endive pellia. Other plants of note were the Corky-fruited Water Dropwort and Jointed Rush which are good meadow indicator plants.

Site 2

Site two comprises of open water in the form of a large pond. There is an area of field that is presently a large area of tall ruderal habitat. There is also a thin broad-leaved woodland (shore) running around the edge of part of the pond and there are areas of aquatic vegetation growing within the pond that have Water Vole potential. The plant of note was the Common Club-rush which is not so common in Sussex nowadays.







Pond

Fleabane and Tufted Vetch

Roesel's Bush Cricket

Site 3







Stream

Skullcap

Wild Honey bees

Site three comprises of open water running along a tarmac pathway. There is a line of tall ruderal habitat running along the edge and a line of thin broad-leaved woodland (shore). Then within the stream there is a line of aquatic vegetation which is presently supporting Water Vole as the droppings found provided evidence. The chalk-stream indicator plants found were Brook Water Crowfoot, Water-cress and Blue Water Speedwell. The skullcap is not a common plant to see nowadays and is on the plants of concern list. Winter Heliotrope was found on site and is an invasive non-native species and it would be good if it could be removed before it spreads any further.

Site 4



Site four comprises of the slow running chalk streams, some open water, wet woodland, meadow, semi-improved fields and some tall ruderal habitat. The plants of note were Pepper Saxifrage, Corky-fruited Water Dropwort and Spurge Laurel. The chalk-stream indicators were Water-cress, Brook River Crowfoot, Blue Water Speedwell, Floating Sweet-grass and some *Hildenbrandia rivularis*. There was a small sapling of Holm Oak growing near the footpath which is a non-native invasive species and it would be good to pull it up because, once mature, it tends to shed its acorns and spread rapidly.

Site 5



Tall Ruderal habitat Centre of Site 5 Water-cress

Site five comprises of the slow running chalk stream (artificial channel), wet woodland, and some tall ruderal habitat. The Chalk-stream indicator plants found were Water-cress and Floating Sweet-grass.

6. Conclusion

The survey found that there are a good number of chalk-stream species along the Ems. Areas of the stream would benefit with some opening up of the canopy to increase the areas of *Hildenbrandia* algae that need the sunlight. However, a balance is needed because some shade is essential for a number of species such as the trout that live along the river. There were some areas of green algae that have taken over parts of the stream and some algae species indicate some pollution/eutrophication and so it would be a benefit to have these identified in order to ascertain whether the pollution may be harmful to the stream. In addition to the chalk-stream plant species found - there is the old historical evidence of the water-cress bed system down towards the A27, which is part of the heritage of the river and should be preserved. The tall ruderal habitats are beneficial for reptiles and many species of insect and mammals. The hedges and small wooded areas are beneficial for bats and birds. Also, the presence of Redstart, Spotted Flycatcher and Willow Warbler all feeding together on the last survey day - highlight that this is a very important migration route for birds at this time of year. The non-native invasive species should be removed if possible?

7. Appendix 1

1.1

Ems River Corridor Survey Site 1						
Parish	Westbourne					
Scale	Cover-abundance					
Dominant = D	(91 - 100%)					
Abundant = A	(51 - 90%)					
Frequent = F	(21 -50%)					
Occasional = O	(6 -20%)					
Rare = R	(0 -5%)					
Latin Name	Common Name	Dominant	Abundant	Frequent	Occasional	Rare
TREES						
Acer campestre	Field Maple				Occasional	
Acer pseudoplatanus	Sycamore					Rare
Cratageus monogyna	Hawthorn				Occasional	
Euonymus europaea	Spindle					Rare
Fraxinus excelsior	Ash				Occasional	
Prunus spinosa	Blackthorn				Occasional	
Quercus robur	Pedunculate Oak				Occasional	
Salix cinerea	Sallow			Frequent		
Salix fragilis	Crack Willow				Occasional	
Salix x sepulcralis	Weeping Willow					Rare
Sambucus nigra	Elder				Occasional	
Taxus baccata	Yew					Rare
SHRUBS						
Hedera helix	lvy				Occasional	
Ligustrum vulgare	Wild Privet					Rare
Lonicera periclymenum	Honeysuckle					Rare
Ribes rubrum	Red Currant					Rare
Rosa canina	Dog Rose					Rare

FLOWERS

Achillea millefolium Occasional Yarrow Aethusa cynapium Fool's Parsley Rare Agrimonia eupatoria Agrimony Occasional Alisma plantago-aquatica Water Plantain Rare Angelica sylvestris Angelica Occasional Anthriscus sylvestris Cow Parsley Rare Apium nodiflorum Fool's Water-cress Occasional Arctium minor Lesser Burdock Rare Lords and Ladies Arum maculatum Rare Calystegia sepium Hedge Bindweed Occasional Centaurea nigra Knapweed Occasional Cerastium fontanum Common Mouse-ear Rare Chaerophyllum temulum Rough Chervil Occasional Circaea lutetiana Enchanter's Nightshade Occasional Creeping Thistle Cirsium arvense Frequent Cirsium vulgare Spear Thistle Occasional Crepis capillaris Smooth Hawk's-beard Rare Teasel Dipsacus fullonum Occasional Epilobium adenocaulon American Willow-herb Occasional Epilobium hirsutum Great Willow-herb Occasional Filipendula ulmaria Meadow Sweet Rare Galium aparine Cleavers Frequent Geranium dissectum Cut-leaved Crane's-bill Rare Geranium robertianum Herb Robert Rare Geum urbanum Wood Avens Occasional Glechoma hederacea Ground Ivy Occasional Helminthotheca echiodes Bristly Ox-tongue Occasional Heracleum sphondylium Hogweed Occasional Square-stalked St John's-wort Occasional Hypericum tetrapterum Yellow Iris Occasional Iris pseudacorus Lathyrus pratensis Meadow Vetchling Occasional Lycopus europaeus Occasional Gypsywort Matricaria chamomilla Scented Mayweed Rare Mentha aquatica Water Mint Occasional Myotis arvensis Field Forget-me-not Rare Odontites vernus Red Bartsia Occasional Oenanthe crocata Hemlock Water Hemlock Occasional Persicaria lapathifolia Pale Persicaria Occasional Plantago lanceolata Ribwort Plantain Occasional Plantago major **Greater Plantain** Rare Potentilla anserina Silverweed Occasional Potentilla reptans Creeping Cinquefoil Occasional Prunella vulgaris Selfheal Occasional Common Fleabane Occasional Pulicaria dysenterica Ranunculus pencillatus subsp pseudofluitans **Brook Water Crowfoot** Occasional

Ranunculus repens	Creeping Buttercup		Occasional	
Rorippa-nasturtium-aquaticum	Water-cress		Occasional	
Rubus caesius	Dewberry		Occasional	
Rubus fruticosus agg	Bramble	Frequent		
Rumex crispa	Curled Dock		Occasional	
Rumex obtusifolius	Broad-leaved Dock			Rare
Rumex sanguineus	Wood Dock		Occasional	
Scrophularia auriculata	Water Figwort		Occasional	
Senecio jacobea	Common Ragwort		Occasional	
Senecio squalidis	Oxford Ragwort		Occasional	
Solanum dulcamara	Bittersweet		Occasional	
Sonchus asper	Prickly Sow-thistle			Rare
Sonchus oleraceus	Smooth Sow-thistle		Occasional	
Sparganium erectum	Branched Bur-reed		Occasional	
Stachys sylvatica	Hedge Woundwort		Occasional	
Tamus communis	Black Bryony		Occasional	
Taraxacum officinale agg	Dandelion		Occasional	
Trifolium pratense	Red Clover		Occasional	
Trifolium repens	White Clover		Occasional	
Urtica dioica	Stinging Nettle	Frequent		
Veronica anagallis- aquatica	Blue Water Speedwell		Occasional	
Veronica montana	Wood Speedwell			Rare
GRASSES				
Agrostis stolonifera	Creeping Bent		Occasional	
Alopecurus myosuroides	Meadow Foxtail		Occasional	
Arrhenatherum elatius	False Oat-grass	Frequent		
Brachipodium sylvaticum	False Brome		Occasional	
Bromus hordeaceus	Soft Brome		Occasional	
Dactylis glomerata	Cock's-foot		Occasional	
Festuca arundinacea	Tall Fescue			Rare
Festuca rubra	Red Fescue			Rare
Glyceria fluitans	Floating Sweet-grass			Rare
Holcus lanatus	Yorkshire Fog	Frequent		
Holcus mollis	Soft creeping-grass		Occasional	
Hordeum murinum	Wall Barley			Rare
Lolium perenne	Perennial Rye-grass		Occasional	
Phalloris arundinacea	Canary Reed		Occasional	
Phleum pratense	Timothy		Occasional	
Poa annua	Annual Meadow-grass			Rare
Poa pratensis	Smooth Meadow-grass			Rare
Poa trivialis	Rough Meadow-grass		Occasional	
SEDGES				
Carex acutiformis	Lesser Pond Sedge		Occasional	
Carex divulsa	Grey Sedge			Rare
Carex hirta	Hairy Sedge		Occasional	

Pendulous Sedge

Rare

Carex pendula

Carex remota	Remote Sedge			Rare
Carex sylvatica	Wood Sedge		Occasional	
HORSETAILS				
Equisetum arvensis	Field Horsetail		Occasional	
Equisetum palustre RUSHES	Marsh Horsetail		Occasional	
Juncus articulates	Jointed Rush			Rare
Juncus effusus	Soft Rush			Rare
Juncus inflexus	Hard Rush		Occasional	
MOSSES				
Brachythecium rivulare	River Feather-moss			Rare
Brachythecium rutabulum	Rough-stalked Feather-moss		Occasional	
Bryum capillare	Capillary Thread-moss			Rare
Campylopus introflexus	Heath Star-moss			Rare
Cratoneuron filicinum	Fern-leaved Hook-moss		Occasional	
Cryphaea heteromalla	Lateral Cryphea		Occasional	
Dicranoweisia cirrata	Common Pincushion			Rare
Fissidens taxifolius	Common Pocket-moss		Occasional	
Hygroamblystegium tenax	Fountain Feather-moss			Rare
Hypnum cupressiforme	Cypress-leaved Plait-moss		Occasional	
Kindbergia praelonga	Common Feather-moss		Occasional	
Orthotrichum affine	Wood Bristle-moss		Occasional	
Oxyrrhynchium hians	Swartz's Feather-moss			Rare
Platyhypnidium ripariodes	Long-beaked Water Feather-moss		Occasional	
LIVERWORTS				
Frullania dilatata	Dilated Scalewort		Occasional	
Metzgeria furcata	Forked Veilwort		Occasional	
Microlejeunea ulicina	Fairy Beads			Rare
Pellia endiviifolia	Endive Pellia		Occasional	
LICHENS				
Evernia prunastri			Occasional	
Flavoparmelia caperata			Occasional	
Lecanora chlarotera				Rare
Parmelia saxatilis	Crottle	Frequent		
Parmelia sulcata			Occasional	
Physcia adscendens			Occasional	
Physcia tenella			Occasional	
Ramalina farinacea			Occasional	
Ramalina fastigiata				Rare
Xanthoria parietina		Frequent		
ALGAE				
Hildenbrandia rivularis			Occasional	
FUNGI				
Daedaleopsis confragosa	Blushing Bracket			Rare
BIRDS	Numbers			

Buzzard

2

Buteo buteo

Carduelis carduelis	Goldfinch	3	
Columba palumbus	Wood Pigeon	2	
Corvus corone	Carrion Crow	1	
Cyanistes caeruleus	Blue Tit	2	
Hirundo rustica	Barn Swallow	1	
Parus major	Great Tit	2	
Sylvia communis	Whitethroat	2	
Streptopelia decaocto	Collard Dove	2	
Troglodytes troglodytes	Wren	1	
Turdus merula	Blackbird	1	
MAMMALS			
Capreolus capreolus	Roe		slot prints in mud
Meles meles	Badger		Droppings
BUTTERFLIES			
Aglais io	Peacock	2	
Maniota jurtina	Meadow Brown	10	
Pararge aegeria	Speckled Wood	2	
Pieris brassicae	Large White	5	
Pieris rapae	Small White	6	
Polymmatus icarus	Common Blue	4	
Vanessa atalanta	Red Admiral	3	
MOTHS			
Timandra comae	Blood-vein	1	
DRAGONFLIES			
Aeshna cyanea	Southern Hawker	1	
Calopteryx splendens	Banded Demoiselle	1	
Ischnura elegans	Blue-tailed Damselfly	4	
CRICKETS			
Metrioptera roeselii	Roesel's Bush Cricket	1	
BEES			
Apis mellifera	Honey Bee	100+	
FISH			
Esox lucius	Pike	1	
Salmo trutta	Trout	12	

1.2

Ems River Corridor Survey site 2

Parish	Westbourne
Scale	Cover-abundance
Dominant = D	(91 - 100%)
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Frequent = F	(21 -50%)
Occasional = O	(6 -20%)
Rare = R	(0 -5%)

Latin Name Common Name Dominant Abundant Frequent Occasional Rare

THEES				
Acer pseudoplatanus	Sycamore			Rare
Betula pendula	Silver Birch			Rare
Cornus sanguinea	Dogwood			Rare
Corylus avellana	Hazel			Rare
Cratageus monogyna	Hawthorn			Rare
Cupressus macrocarpa	Monterery Cypress			Rare
Fraxinus excelsior	Ash			Rare
Malus domestica	Apple			Rare
Salix cinerea	Sallow		Occasional	
Salix fragilis	Crack Willow		Occasional	
Salix x sepulcralis	Weeping Willow			Rare
Sambucus nigra	Elder		Occasional	
SHRUBS				
Hedera helix	lvy			Rare
Lonicera periclymenum	Honeysuckle			Rare
FLOWERS				
Achillea millefolium	Yarrow		Occasional	
Aethusa cynapium	Fool's Parsley			Rare
Agrimonia eupatoria	Agrimony		Occasional	
Anagalis arvensis	Scarlet Pimpernel			Rare
Angelica sylvestris	Angelica			Rare
Anthriscus sylvestris	Cow Parsley			Rare
Arctium minor	Lesser Burdock			Rare
Arum maculatum	Lords and Ladies			Rare
Bellis perennis	Daisy		Occasional	
Borago officinalis	Borage			Rare
Bryonia dioica	White Bryony			Rare
Calystegia sepium	Hedge Bindweed		Occasional	
Chenopodium album	Fathen			Rare
Circaea lutetiana	Enchanter's Nightshade			Rare
Cirsium arvense	Creeping Thistle	Frequent		
Cirsium vulgare	Spear Thistle		Occasional	
Coronopus didymus	Lesser Swine-cress			Rare
Epilobium adenocaulon	American Willow-herb		Occasional	
Epilobium hirsutum	Great Willow-herb		Occasional	
Eupatorium cannabinum	Hemp Agrimony			Rare
Filipendula ulmaria	Meadow Sweet		Occasional	
Galium aparine	Cleavers	Frequent		
Geranium dissectum	Cut-leaved Crane's-bill		Occasional	
Geranium robertianum	Herb Robert			Rare
Geum urbanum	Wood Avens			Rare
Glechoma hederacea	Ground Ivy		Occasional	
Helminthotheca echiodes	Bristly Ox-tongue		Occasional	
Heracleum sphondylium	Hogweed		Occasional	
Hypericum tetrapterum	Square-stalked St John's-wort		Occasional	

Hypochaeris radicata	Common Cat's-ear			Rare
Iris pseudacorus	Yellow Iris		Occasional	
Lamium album	White Dead Nettle			Rare
Lamium purpureum	Red Nettle			Rare
Lathyrus latifolius	Broad-leaved Everlasting Pea			Rare
Lapsana communis	Nipplewort			Rare
Lycopus europaeus	Gypsywort			Rare
Malva neglecta	Dwarf Mallow			Rare
Malva sylvestris	Common Mallow			Rare
Matricaria discoidea	Pineappleweed			Rare
Mentha aquatica	Water Mint		Occasional	
Nymphaea alba	White Water Lily		Occasional	
Origanum vulgare	Marjoram			Rare
Persicaria maculosa	Redshank		Occasional	
Phaseolus coccineus	Runner Bean			Rare
Plantago lanceolata	Ribwort Plantain		Occasional	
Plantago major	Greater Plantain			Rare
Potentilla reptans	Creeping Cinquefoil			Rare
Prunella vulgaris	Selfheal		Occasional	
Pulicaria dysenterica	Common Fleabane		Occasional	
Ranunculus acris	Meadow Buttercup		Occasional	
Ranunculus repens	Creeping Buttercup		Occasional	
Rubus fruticosus agg	Bramble	Frequent		
Rumex crispa	Curled Dock		Occasional	
Rumex obtusifolius	Broad-leaved Dock		Occasional	
Scrophularia auriculata	Water Figwort		Occasional	
Senecio jacobea	Common Ragwort		Occasional	
Senecio vulgaris	Groundsel			Rare
Solanum dulcamara	Bittersweet		Occasional	
Solidago canadensis	Canadian Goldenrod			Rare
Sonchus asper	Prickly Sow-thistle			Rare
Sonchus oleraceus	Smooth Sow-thistle			Rare
Sparganium erectum	Branched Bur-reed		Occasional	
Stachys sylvatica	Hedge Woundwort		Occasional	
Symphytum officinale	Common Comfrey			Rare
Taraxacum officinale agg	Dandelion		Occasional	
Trifolium pratense	Red Clover		Occasional	
Trifolium repens	White Clover		Occasional	
Typha latifolia	Greater Reedmace		Occasional	
Urtica dioica	Stinging Nettle	Frequent		
Verbascum thapsus	Common Mullein			Rare
GRASSES				
Agrostis stolonifera	Creeping Bent		Occasional	
Arrhenatherum elatius	False Oat-grass	Frequent		
Dactylis glomerata	Cock's-foot		Occasional	
Glyceria fluitans	Floating Sweet-grass			Rare

Holcus lanatus	Yorkshire Fog		Frequent		
Lolium perenne	Perennial Rye-grass		- 1	Occasional	
Phalloris arundinacea	Canary Reed				Rare
Poa annua	Annual Meadow-grass				Rare
Poa pratensis	Smooth Meadow-grass				Rare
Poa trivialis	Rough Meadow-grass			Occasional	
SEDGES					
Carex hirta	Hairy Sedge		Frequent		
Carex pendula	Pendulous Sedge				Rare
HORSETAILS					
Equisetum arvensis	Field Horsetail			Occasional	
RUSHES					
Juncus acutiflorus	Sharp-flowered Rush				Rare
Juncus conglomeratus	Compact Rush				Rare
Juncus effusus	Soft Rush			Occasional	
Juncus inflexus	Hard Rush				Rare
CLUB-RUSHES					
Schoenplectus lacustris	Common Club-rush			Occasional	
MOSSES					
Brachythecium rutabulum	Rough-stalked Feather-moss			Occasional	
Funaria hygrometrica	Bonfire-moss				Rare
Hypnum cupressiforme	Cypress-leaved Plait-moss			Occasional	
Kindbergia praelonga	Common Feather-moss			Occasional	
Orthotrichum affine	Wood Bristle-moss			Occasional	
LIVERWORTS					
Metzgeria furcata	Forked Veilwort			Occasional	
LICHENS					
Evernia prunastri				Occasional	
Flavoparmelia caperata				Occasional	
Lecanora chlarotera					Rare
Parmelia saxatilis	Crottle		Frequent		
Physcia adscendens				Occasional	
Physcia tenella				Occasional	
Xanthoria parietina			Frequent		
BIRDS		Numbers			
Alcedo atthis	Kingfisher		1		
Columba palumbus	Wood Pigeon		2		
Corvus corone	Carrion Crow		1		
Hirundo rustica	Barn Swallow		3		
Muscicapa striata	Spotted Flycatcher		1		
Parus major	Great Tit		2		
Phasianus colchicus	Pheasant		1		
MAMMALS					
Arvicola amphibius	Water Vole		Droppings found		

BUTTERFLIES

Maniota jurtina	Meadow Brown		4
Pieris brassicae	Large White		2
Pieris rapae	Small White		2
Polymmatus icarus	Common Blue		6
Vanessa atalanta	Red Admiral		1
MOTHS			
Autographa gamma	Silver Y		1
DRAGONFLIES			
Anax imperator	Emperor Dragonfly		1
Ischnura elegans	Blue-tailed Damselfly		2
Sympetrum sanguineum	Ruddy Darter		1
BEES			
Apis mellifera	Honey Bee	100+	

1.3

Parish

Scale	Cover-abundance					
Dominant = D	(91 - 100%)					
Abundant = A	(51 - 90%)					
Frequent = F	(21 -50%)					
Occasional = O	(6 -20%)					
Rare = R	(0 -5%)					
Latin Name	Common Name	Dominant	Abundant	Frequent	Occasional	Rare
TREES						
Cratageus monogyna	Hawthorn					Rare
Fraxinus excelsior	Ash					Rare
Salix alba	White Willow					Rare
Salix cinerea	Sallow					Rare
Salix fragilis	Crack Willow				Occasional	
SHRUBS						
Hedera helix	lvy					Rare
FLOWERS						
Anthriscus sylvestris	Cow Parsley					Rare
Apium nodiflorum	Fool's Water-cress				Occasional	
Callitriche sp	Starwort sp					Rare
Calystegia sepium	Hedge Bindweed					Rare
Cirsium vulgare	Spear Thistle				Occasional	
Coronopus didymus	Lesser Swine-cress					Rare
Crepis capillaris	Smooth Hawk's-beard	I				Rare
Epilobium adenocaulon	American Willowherb				Occasional	
Epilobium hirsutum	Great Willowherb				Occasional	
Filipendula ulmaria	Meadow Sweet				Occasional	

Cleavers

Occasional

Westbourne

Galium aparine

(Geranium dissectum	Cut-leaved Crane's-bill		Occasional	
(Geum urbanum	Wood Avens			Rare
(Glechoma hederacea	Ground Ivy			Rare
ŀ	Heracleum sphondylium	Hogweed			Rare
I	lypericum tetrapterum	Square-stalked St John's-wort			Rare
I	ris pseudacorus	Yellow Iris		Occasional	
L	ycopus europaeus	Gypsywort			Rare
1	Matricaria chamomilla	Scented Mayweed			Rare
1	Matricaria discoidea	Pineappleweed			Rare
1	Mentha aquatica	Water Mint		Occasional	
ŀ	Parietaria judaica	Pellitory of the wall			Rare
ŀ	Persicaria lapathifolia	Pale Persicaria			Rare
ı	Petasites fragrans	Winter Heliotrope			Rare
ŀ	Plantago major	Greater Plantain			Rare
ŀ	Potentilla reptans	Creeping Cinquefoil			Rare
ı	Prunella vulgaris	Selfheal			Rare
ı	Ranunculus pencillatus subsp pseudofluitans	Brook Water Crowfoot		Occasional	
ı	Rorippa-nasturtium-aquaticum	Water-cress		Occasional	
ı	Rubus fruticosus agg	Bramble		Occasional	
ı	Rumex crispa	Curled Dock		Occasional	
ı	Rumex obtusifolius	Broad-leaved Dock		Occasional	
9	Senecio jacobea	Ragwort			Rare
9	Scrophularia auriculata	Water Figwort		Occasional	
9	Solanum dulcamara	Bittersweet			Rare
9	Sparganium erectum	Branched Bur-reed	Frequent		
7	araxacum officinale agg	Dandelion			Rare
l	Jrtica dioica	Stinging Nettle		Occasional	
١	Veronica anagalis aquatica	Blue Water Speedwell		Occasional	
(GRASSES				
,	Agrostis stolonifera	Creeping Bent			Rare
,	Arrhenatherum elatius	False Oat-grass		Occasional	
L	Dactylis glomerata	Cock's-foot		Occasional	
ı	Holcus lanatus	Yorkshire Fog	Frequent		Rare
L	olium perenne	Perennial Rye-grass			Rare
ı	Phalloris arundinacea	Canary Reed			Rare
ŀ	Poa annua	Annual Meadow-grass			Rare
ŀ	Poa trivialis	Rough Meadow-grass			Rare
9	SEDGES				
(Carex pendula	Pendulous Sedge			Rare
(Carex remota	Remote Sedge			Rare
ı	MOSSES				
I	lypnum cupressiforme	Cypress-leaved Plait-moss			Rare
I	(indbergia praelonga	Common Feather-moss			Rare
ı	IVERWORTS				
I	Metzgeria furcata	Forked Veilwort			Rare

LICHENS

Evernia prunastri				Occasional
Flavoparmelia caperata				Occasional
Parmelia saxatilis	Crottle		Frequent	
Physcia adscendens				Occasional
Physcia tenella				Occasional
Xanthoria parietina			Frequent	
BIRDS	Numbers			
Columba oenas	Stock Dove	2		
Columba palumbus	Wood Pigeon	2		
Hirundo rustica	Barn Swallow	1		
BUTTERFLIES				
Pieris rapae	Small White	1		
Polygonum c album	Comma	1		
Polymmatus icarus	Common Blue	1		
DRAGONFLIES				
Calopteryx splendens	Banded Demoiselle	1		
BEES				
Apis mellifera	Honey Bee	100+		

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Ems River Corridor Survey Site 4

Parish	Westbourne					
Scale	Cover-abundance					
Dominant = D	(91 - 100%)					
Abundant = A	(51 - 90%)					
Frequent = F	(21 -50%)					
Occasional = O	(6 -20%)					
Rare = R	(0 -5%)					
Latin Name	Common Name	Dominant	Abundant	Frequent	Occasional	Rare
TREES						
Acer campestre	Field Maple				Occasional	
Acer pseudoplatanus	Sycamore					Rare
Aesculus hippocastanum	Horse Chestnut					Rare
Alnus glutinosa	Alder					Rare
Cornus sanguinea	Dogwood				Occasional	
Corylus avellana	Hazel				Occasional	
Cratageus monogyna	Hawthorn				Occasional	
Euonymus europaea	Spindle					Rare
Fraxinus excelsior	Ash				Occasional	
Populus alba	White Poplar					Rare
Prunus cerasifera var	Purple-leaved Plum					Rare
Prunus spinosa	Blackthorn				Occasional	
Quercus ilex	Holm Oak					Rare
Quercus robur	Pedunculate Oak				Occasional	
Salix alba	White Willow					Rare

Salix cinerea	Sallow	Frequent		
Salix fragilis	Crack Willow		Occasional	
Sambucus nigra	Elder		Occasional	
Sorbus aucuparia	Rowan			Rare
Ulmus procera	Common Elm			Rare
SHRUBS				
Daphne laureola	Spurge Laurel			Rare
Hedera helix	lvy		Occasional	
Ligustrum vulgare	Wild Privet			Rare
Lonicera periclymenum	Honeysuckle			Rare
Rosa canina	Dog Rose			Rare
Ulex europaeus	Common Gorse			Rare
FLOWERS				
Achillea millefolium	Yarrow		Occasional	
Aegopodium podagraria	Ground Elder			Rare
Aethusa cynapium	Fool's Parsley			Rare
Agrimonia eupatoria	Agrimony		Occasional	
Alisma plantago-aquatica	Water Plantain			Rare
Alliaria petiolata	Garlic Mustard		Occasional	
Angelica sylvestris	Angelica		Occasional	
Anthriscus sylvestris	Cow Parsley		Occasional	
Apium nodiflorum	Fool's Water-cress		Occasional	
Arctium minor	Lesser Burdock			Rare
Barbarea vulgaris	Winter-cress			Rare
Bellis perennis	Daisy		Occasional	
Callitriche stagnalis	Water Starwort			Rare
Caltha palustris	Marsh Marigold			Rare
Calystegia sepium	Hedge Bindweed		Occasional	
Capsella bursa-pastoris	Shepherds Purse		Occasional	
Centaurea nigra	Knapweed		Occasional	
Cerastium fontanum	Common Mouse-ear		Occasional	
Chaerophyllum temulum	Rough Chervil		Occasional	
Chenopopodium album	Fathen			Rare
Cirsium arvense	Creeping Thistle	Frequent		
Cirsium vulgare	Spear Thistle		Occasional	
Crepis capillaris	Smooth Hawk's-beard			Rare
Epilobium adenocaulon	American Willowherb		Occasional	
Epilobium hirsutum	Great Willowherb		Occasional	
Erigeron canadensis	Canadian Fleabane			Rare
Erythranthe guttata	Monkey Flower			Rare
Euphatorium cannabinum	Hemp Agrimomy		Occasional	
Filipendula ulmaria	Meadow Sweet			Rare
Galium aparine	Cleavers	Frequent		
Galium molle	Hedge Bedstraw			Rare
Geranium dissectum	Cut-leaved Crane's-bill			Rare
Geranium molle	Dove's-foot Cranes-bill		Occasional	

Geranium robertianum	Herb Robert		Rare
Geum urbanum	Wood Avens	Occasion	al
Glechoma hederacea	Ground Ivy	Occasion	al
Helminthotheca echiodes	Bristly Ox-tongue	Occasion	al
Heracleum sphondylium	Hogweed	Occasion	al
Humulus lupulus	Нор		Rare
Hypericum tetrapterum	Square-stalked St John's-wort	Occasion	al
Hypochaeris radicata	Common Cat's-ear	Occasion	al
Iris pseudacorus	Yellow Iris	Occasion	al
Lamnium album	White Dead-nettle		Rare
Lamnium purpureum	Red Dead-nettle		Rare
Lapsana communis	Nipplewort	Occasion	al
Lemna minor	Common Duckweed	Occasion	al
Lepidium didymum	Lesser Swine-cress	Occasion	al
Lotus corniculatus	Bird's-foot Trefoil		Rare
Lycopus europaeus	Gypsywort	Occasion	al
Lythrum salicaria	Purple Loosestrife		Rare
Malva sylvestris	Common Mallow		Rare
Matricaria chamomilla	Scented Mayweed		Rare
Matricaria discoidea	Pineappleweed	Occasion	al
Medicago lupulina	Black Medick		Rare
Mentha aquatica	Water Mint	Occasion	al
Myotis scorpiodes	Water Forget-me-not		Rare
Nymphaea sp	Ornamental Water-lily		Rare
Oenanthe crocata	Hemlock Water-dropwort	Occasion	al
Oenanthe pimpinelloides	Corky-fruited Water-dropwort	Occasion	al
Persicaria maculosa	Redshanks	Occasion	al
Plantago lanceolata	Ribwort Plantain	Occasion	al
Plantago major	Greater Plantain		Rare
Polygonum aviculare	Common Knotgrass	Occasion	al
Potentilla anserina	Silverweed	Occasion	al
Potentilla reptans	Creeping Cinquefoil	Occasion	al
Prunella vulgaris	Selfheal	Occasion	al
Pulicaria dysenterica	Common Fleabane	Occasion	al
Ranunculus acris	Meadow Buttercup	Occasion	al
Ranunculus pencillatus subsp pseudofluitans	Brook Water Crowfoot	Occasion	al
Ranunculus repens	Creeping Buttercup	Occasion	al
Rorippa-nasturtium-aquaticum	Water-cress	Occasion	al
Rubus fruticosus agg	Bramble	Frequent	
Rumex acetosa	Common Sorrel		Rare
Rumex crispa	Curled Dock	Occasion	al
Rumex obtusifolius	Broad-leaved Dock		Rare
Rumex sanguineus	Wood Dock	Occasion	al
Scrophularia auriculata	Water Figwort	Occasion	al
Senecio jacobea	Common Ragwort	Occasion	al
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Oxford Ragwort

Occasional

Senecio squalidis

Senecio vulgaris	Groundsel			Rare
Silaum silaus	Pepper Saxifrage		Occasional	
Sisymbrium officinale	Hedge Mustard		Occasional	
Solanum dulcamara	Bittersweet		Occasional	
Solanum nigrum	Black Nightshade		Occasional	
Sonchus asper	Prickly Sow-thistle		Occasional	
Sonchus oleraceus	Smooth Sow-thistle		Occasional	
Sparganium erectum	Branched Bur-reed		Occasional	
Stachys palustris	Marsh Woundwort			Rare
Stellaria media	Common Chickweed		Occasional	
Symphyotrichum sp	Michaelmas Daisy			Rare
Symphytum officinale	Common Comfrey			Rare
Tamus communis	Black Bryony		Occasional	
Taraxacum officinale agg	Dandelion		Occasional	
Torilis japonica	Upright Hedge Parsley			Rare
Trifolium pratense	Red Clover		Occasional	
Trifolium repens	White Clover		Occasional	
Urtica dioica	Stinging Nettle	Frequent		
Veronica anagallis- aquatica	Blue Water Speedwell		Occasional	
Veronica becca bunga	Brooklime		Occasional	
Veronica montana	Wood Speedwell			Rare
Veronica serpyllifolia	Thyme-leaved Speedwell			Rare
Vicia cracca	Tufted Vetch			Rare
GRASSES				
Agrostis capillaris	Common Bent		Occasional	
Alopecurus geniculatus	Marsh Foxtail		Occasional	
Arrhenatherum elatius	False Oat-grass		Occasional	
Brachipodium sylvaticum	False Brome		Occasional	
Bromus hordeaceus	Soft Brome			Rare
Cynosurus cristatus	Crested Dog's-tail-grass		Occasional	
Dactylis glomerata	Cock's-foot		Occasional	
Festuca rubra	Red Fescue			Rare
Glyceria fluitans	Floating Sweet-grass			Rare
Holcus lanatus	Yorkshire Fog	Frequent		
Holcus mollis	Soft creeping-grass		Occasional	
Hordeum brachyantherum	Meadow Barley			Rare
Hordeum murinum	Wall Barley			Rare
Lolium perenne	Perennial Rye-grass	Frequent		
Melica uniflora	Wood Melick			Rare
Phalloris arundinacea	Canary Reed		Occasional	
Phleum pratense	Timothy		Occasional	
Poa annua	Annual Meadow-grass			Rare
Poa pratensis	Smooth Meadow-grass			Rare
Poa trivialis	Rough Meadow-grass		Occasional	
CEDCEC				

Grey Sedge

Rare

SEDGESCarex divulsa

Carex hirta	Hairy Sedge		Occasional	
Carex remota	Remote Sedge			Rare
HORSETAILS				
Equisetum arvensis	Field Horsetail		Occasional	
Equisetum fluviatile	Water Horsetail			Rare
RUSHES				
Juncus articulatus	Jointed Rush		Occasional	
Juncus bufonius	Toad Rush		Occasional	
Juncus effusus	Soft Rush			Rare
Juncus inflexus	Hard Rush		Occasional	
MOSSES				
Brachythecium rutabulum	Rough-stalked Feather-moss		Occasional	
Bryum capillare	Capillary Thread-moss			Rare
Cryphaea heteromalla	Lateral Cryphea		Occasional	
Dicranoweisia cirrata	Common Pincushion			Rare
Fissidens taxifolius	Common Pocket-moss		Occasional	
Hypnum cupressiforme	Cypress-leaved Plait-moss		Occasional	
Kindbergia praelonga	Common Feather-moss		Occasional	
Orthotrichum affine	Wood Bristle-moss		Occasional	
Oxyrrhynchium hians	Swartz's Feather-moss			Rare
LIVERWORTS				
Conocephalum conicum	Great Scented Liverwort			Rare
Frullania dilatata	Dilated Scalewort		Occasional	
Metzgeria furcata	Forked Veilwort		Occasional	
LICHENS				
Evernia prunastri			Occasional	
Flavoparmelia caperata			Occasional	
Lecanora chlarotera				Rare
Parmelia saxatilis	Crottle		Occasional	
Parmelia sulcata			Occasional	
Physcia adscendens			Occasional	
Physcia tenella			Occasional	
Ramalina farinacea			Occasional	
Ramalina fastigiata				Rare
Xanthoria parietina		Frequent		
ALGAE				
Hildenbrantidtia rivularis				Rare
FUNGI				
Daedaleopsis confragosa	Blushing Bracket			Rare
Daelinia concentrica	King Alfred's Cake			Rare
BIRDS	Numbers			
Aegithalos caudatus	Long-tailed Tit	2		
Anas platyrhynchos	Mallard	1		
Ardea cinerea	Grey Heron	1		
Buteo buteo	Buzzard	1		

 ${\sf Gold finch}$

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Carduelis carduelis

Chroicocephalus ridibundus	Black-headed Gull	1
Columba oenas	Stock Dove	2
Columba palumbus	Wood Pigeon	30
Corvus corone	Carrion Crow	6
Corvus monedula	Jackdaw	8
Cyanistes caeruleus	Blue Tit	2
Dendroopos major	Great Spotted Woodpecker	1
Erithacus rubecula	Robin	3
Fringilla coelebs	Chaffinch	1
Hirundo rustica	Barn Swallow	20
Larus argentatus	Herring Gull	1
Muscicapa striata	Spotted Fly-catcher	2
Parus major	Great Tit	2
Passer domesticus	House Sparrow	20
Phoenicurus phoenicurus	Redstart	1
Phylloscopus trochilus	Willow Warbler	1
Pica pica	Magpie	2
Picus viridis	Green Woodpecker	1
Prunella modularis	Dunnock	2
Sturnus vulgaris	Starling	7
Sylvia communis	Whitethroat	1
Troglodytes troglodytes	Wren	1
Turdus merula	Blackbird	7
MAMMALS		
Sciurus carolinensis	Grey Squirrel	1
BUTTERFLIES		
Celastrina argiolus	Holly Blue	1
Pieris rapae	Small White	6
MOTHS		
Campaea margaritata	Light Emerald Moth	1
DRAGONFLIES		
Aeshna cyanea	Southern Hawker	2
Anax imperator	Emperor Dragonfly	1
Ischnura elegans	Blue-tailed Damselfly	4
Sympetrum sanguineum	Ruddy Darter	2
BEES		
Apis mellifera	Honey Bee	100+
WASPS		
Vespula vulgaris	Common Wasp	100+
HOVERFLIES		
Volucella zonaria	Hornet Hoverfly	1

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Ems River Corridor Survey Site 5

Parish Westbourne

Scale	Cover-abundance					
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Frequent = F	(21 -50%)					
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Rare = R	(0 -5%)					
Latin Name	Common Name	Dominant	Abundant	Frequent	Occasional	Rare
TREES						
Alnus glutinosa	Alder					Rare
Cratageus monogyna	Hawthorn				Occasional	
Salix cinerea	Sallow				Occasional	
Salix fragilis	Crack Willow					Rare
Sambucus nigra	Elder				Occasional	
SHRUBS						
Hedera helix	lvy				Occasional	
Lonicera periclymenum	Honeysuckle					Rare
Rosa canina	Dog Rose					Rare
FLOWERS						
Achillea millefolium	Yarrow				Occasional	
Angelica sylvestris	Angelica					Rare
Apium nodiflorum	Fool's Water-cress				Occasional	
Calystegia sepium	Hedge Bindweed				Occasional	
Cirsium arvense	Creeping Thistle			Frequent		
Cirsium vulgare	Spear Thistle				Occasional	
Crepis capillaris	Smooth Hawk's-beard					Rare
Epilobium adenocaulon	American Willowherb					Rare
Epilobium hirsutum	Great Willowherb				Occasional	
Filipendula ulmaria	Meadow Sweet				Occasional	
Galium aparine	Cleavers				Occasional	
Glechoma hederacea	Ground Ivy				Occasional	
Iris pseudacorus	Yellow Iris				Occasional	
Lamnium album	White Dead-nettle					Rare
Lycopus europaeus	Gypsywort				Occasional	
Mentha aquatica	Water Mint				Occasional	
Oenanthe crocata	Hemlock Water-dropwort				Occasional	
Pulicaria dysenterica	Common Fleabane				Occasional	
Ranunculus acris	Meadow Buttercup				Occasional	
Rorippa-nasturtium-aquaticum	Water-cress				Occasional	
Rubus fruticosus agg	Bramble			Frequent		
Rumex crispa	Curled Dock				Occasional	
Solanum dulcamara	Bittersweet				Occasional	
Sonchus oleraceus	Smooth Sow-thistle					Rare
Symphytum officinale	Common Comfrey					Rare
Tamus communis	Black Bryony				Occasional	
Urtica dioica	Stinging Nettle			Frequent		
GRASSES						

Agrostis capillaris	Common Bent		Occasional	
Arrenatherum elatius	False Oat-grass			Rare
Dactylis glomerata	Cock's-foot		Occasional	
Glyceria fluitans	Floating Sweet-grass			Rare
Holcus lanatus	Yorkshire Fog		Occasional	
Phalloris arundinacea	Canary Reed		Occasional	
SEDGES				
Carex remota	Remote Sedge			Rare
HORSETAILS				
Equisetum arvensis	Field Horsetail			Rare
RUSHES				
Juncus effusus	Soft Rush			Rare
MOSSES				
Brachythecium rutabulum	Rough-stalked Feather-moss			Rare
Bryum capillare	Capillary Thread-moss			Rare
Dicranoweisia cirrata	Common Pincushion			Rare
Fissidens taxifolius	Common Pocket-moss			Rare
Hypnum cupressiforme	Cypress-leaved Plait-moss		Occasional	
Kindbergia praelonga	Common Feather-moss		Occasional	
Orthotrichum affine	Wood Bristle-moss			Rare
Oxyrrhynchium hians	Swartz's Feather-moss			Rare
LIVERWORTS				
Metzgeria furcata	Forked Veilwort		Occasional	
LICHENS				
Evernia prunastri				Rare
Flavoparmelia caperata				Rare
Physcia adscendens			Occasional	
Physcia tenella			Occasional	
Xanthoria parietina		Frequent		
FUNGI				
Daedaleopsis confragosa	Blushing Bracket			Rare
BIRDS	Numbers			
Carduelis carduelis	Goldfinch 2			
Columba palumbus	Wood Pigeon 4			
Corvus corone	Carrion Crow 2			
Corvus monedula	Jackdaw 2			
Cyanistes caeruleus	Blue Tit 2			
Erithacus rubecula	Robin 3			
Hirundo rustica	Barn Swallow 2			
Parus major	Great Tit 1			
Passer domesticus	House Sparrow 10			
Pica pica	Magpie 2			
Sturnus vulgaris	Starling 5			
Turdus merula	Blackbird 2			
BUTTERFLIES				
Lycaena phlaeas	Small Copper 1			

Pieris rapaeSmall White2BEESApis melliferaHoney Bee10

The members

WASPS

Vespula vulgaris Common Wasp 100+