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## Summary

English Nature's Botanical Unit is frequently contacted by Conservation Officers in Area Teams needing to know the current conservation status of vascular plant species. Often, they are trying to ascertain which taxa comprise (or contribute to) the vascular plant 'interest features' on SSSIs. Lists of Schedule 8, Nationally Rare (RDB) and Nationally Scarce species have been subject to numerous revisions over the last 20 years – culminating in May 2005 with the publication of a new national (GB) *Red List*.

Botanists in English Nature identified a pressing need for a single, definitive, readily updateable master-list – a 'one-stop shop' where Conservation Officers could go to find out the conservation status of vascular plants in England, along with detailed guidance on how to use such information when preparing Conservation Objectives and carrying out Common Standards Monitoring of vascular plant Notified Features on SSSIs.

To this end, we carried out a comprehensive review of all the recent national (GB) lists and information sources, with the aim of producing a single spreadsheet showing the current conservation status of all vascular plant species (and subspecies) listed – either now or at some time in the past – as Nationally Rare/Red Data Book, Nationally Scarce, Schedule 8, or threatened or 'Near Threatened' in the 2005 *Red List*. In consultation with colleagues in Sites and Surveillance Team, we also prepared supplementary guidance for use by COs when assessing the vascular plant Notified Features on their SSSIs.

The resulting report comprises a detailed guidance note, a flow chart and a semi-automated vascular plant master-spreadsheet (the latter also included at the back of the report as a CD). The flow chart and spreadsheet can be applied to all SSSIs, whether or not they were originally notified for a vascular plant species interest, as well as to candidate SSSIs and other areas where COs are assessing potential vascular plant interest features.

The master-spreadsheet includes all current (and former) Schedule 8, Nationally Rare (RDB) and Nationally Scarce species/subspecies in GB, plus all taxa listed in the 2005 *Red List* as **Extinct, Critically Endangered, Endangered**, **Vulnerable**, **Near Threatened** and **Data Deficient**. It includes a large number of Red-listed hybrids and microspecies, plus a few rare or threatened taxa which have come to our attention since publication of the *Red List*. Taxa are listed under both their currently accepted names and frequently used synonyms, so plants can be looked up under their 'old' names – particularly useful when working with old species lists, citations, etc.

The master-list sits behind – and is linked to – a 'species entry' form which allows species occurring on a site to be selected and listed, with the current conservation status being extracted automatically from the master-list as each species name is entered.

It is recognised that future reviews of the *Red List* and revision of Nationally Rare and Nationally Scarce lists – along with taxonomic and nomenclatural changes – will require the master-spreadsheet to be periodically updated. The present list was drafted in May 2006 and all status assessments are those 'current' at time of publication (September 2006).

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## 1 Introduction

#### 1.1 Background

- 1.1.1 English Nature's Botanical Unit is frequently contacted by Conservation Officers (COs) in Area Teams needing to know the up-to-date national status of vascular plant species. Often, COs are trying to ascertain in light of improved knowledge of species<sup>1</sup> on their SSSIs and the numerous reviews and revisions of the national lists of Schedule 8, Nationally Rare (RDB) and Nationally Scarce species that have occurred since the sites were originally notified which species comprise (or contribute to) the vascular plant interest features for which the SSSIs were notified. In particular, COs are frequently asking us to help them check lists of species on SSSIs notified for their 'scoring combinations' of rare/scarce species under Chapter 11, section 3.3 of the *Guidelines for selection of biological SSSIs* (1989) (the '1989 Guidelines'), or under C1(b) of the 1983 or 1979 Guidelines, so that they can be certain that conservation objectives are being written and common standards monitoring (CSM) carried out for the correct species<sup>2</sup>.
- 1.1.2 As an aid to COs undertaking this work, we have drafted a flow chart (Annex 1), and a semi-automated vascular plant master-spreadsheet (Annex 2). The spreadsheet is also included as a CD with this report. The flow chart and spreadsheet can be applied to *all* SSSIs, *whether or not they were originally notified for a vascular plant species interest*, as well as to pSSSIs where COs are having to assess potential vascular plant interest features under Chapter 11, sections 3.1-3.3 of the 1989 Guidelines. It is important to remember, however, that for existing SSSIs a distinction must be drawn between interest features forming part of the original SSSI notification (for which conservation objectives and CSM are required) and additional interest features coming to light since notification (for which conservation objectives and CSM are not required).
- 1.1.3 The vascular plant master-spreadsheet contains all current (and former) Schedule 8, Nationally Rare (RDB) and Nationally Scarce species in Great Britain, plus species listed in the new GB *Red List* (Cheffings & Farrell 2005) as Critically Endangered, Endangered, Vulnerable, Near Threatened and Data Deficient. Thus, the spreadsheet should allow an up-to-date assessment to be made of SSSIs notified for their Schedule 8 species<sup>3</sup>, Red Data Book species and scoring combinations (= assemblages) of Schedule 8, RDB, Nationally Rare and Nationally Scarce species. It should also enable COs to identify and flag up those SSSIs that, whilst not formally notified for their vascular plant species, nevertheless support one or more Schedule 8, Rare, Scarce or Red-listed species.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The term 'species' in this guidance note should be interpreted as meaning *taxon*, in that it can also refer to other taxonomic entities, eg subspecies or species aggregates; current convention is that eligible taxa are restricted to those at the level of subspecies or above, ie varieties are excluded from consideration.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For convenience, a précis of the relevant sections of the 1989, 1983 and 1979 guidelines is given in Annex 3. For detailed vascular plant CSM guidance, refer to JNCC (2004) ISSN 1743-8160, downloadable as a pdf file from the JNCC website and posted on the English Nature intranet.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Or, under 1979 guidelines criterion C1(a), SSSIs notified for species listed in Schedule 2 of the Conservation of Wild Creatures and Wild Plants Act 1975 (Amended) [precursor to Schedule 8 of the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981]

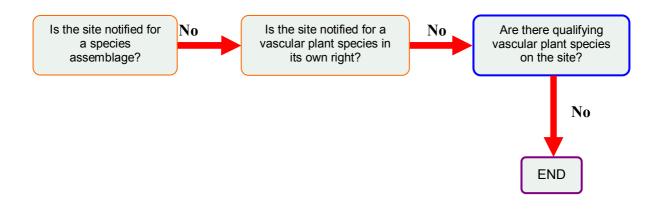
1.1.4 Endemic species, non-endemic species threatened in Europe, declining species and species at the edge of their range, and microspecies and hybrids are only covered here to the extent that many of the relevant taxa are also Nationally Rare, Nationally Scarce or Red-listed<sup>4</sup>. We have included in the master-spreadsheet all microspecies listed as rare/scarce in the 1983 or 1989 guidelines, even though many of these (mainly *Hieracia*) were not formally assessed in the *Red List* and do not appear on the most recent national lists of rare/scarce species. We have included all the microspecies and hybrids listed in the *Red List*, including not only those appearing on the main list but also – in the case of some *Rubus* and *Taraxacum* species – those known to occur in 5 or fewer 10-km squares and listed as 'candidate' species in section 3 of the *Red List* report (Cheffings & Farrell 2005, pp 8-9); all these microspecies are assessed as being Nationally Rare, and are shown as such in the master-spreadsheet (see section 4 below).

#### **1.2** The flow chart (Annex 1)

- 1.2.1 There are several different route-ways through the flow chart, and the route taken by a given SSSI will be determined by its special interest (as stated in the original notification documents the citation and criteria sheet), whether that special interest includes vascular plant species, and whether or not this comprises one or more species notified 'in their own right' and/or a notified 'species assemblage' (ie a scoring combination).
- 1.2.2 Essentially, there are four route-ways. These are explained in detail in the following sections.

## 2 Route-ways through the flow chart

#### 2.1 Route 1



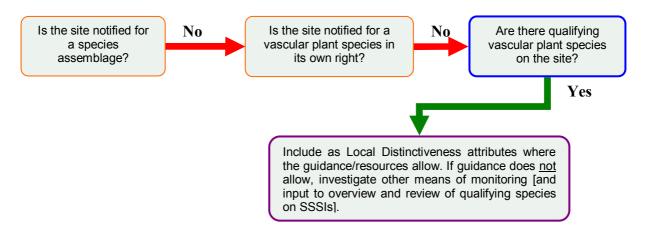
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Some SSSIs may therefore be notified for species not appearing on the vascular plant master-spreadsheet (eg a site notified under Chapter 11, section 3.8 for a microspecies or hybrid that is not itself Nationally Rare or Scarce; or a site notified under section 3.6 for one or more 'regional rarities'). In such cases, advice should be sought from the relevant botanical specialist: these species are generally omitted from the existing CSM guidance since this covers Schedule 8, Nationally Rare and Nationally Scarce species only.

2.1.1 This is the Route taken by any SSSI (geological or biological) not notified for any vascular plant interest features, and not known to support any qualifying vascular plant species<sup>5</sup>. Most geological SSSIs would be Route 1 SSSIs, but a geological SSSI now known to support one or more qualifying vascular plant species, would follow Route 2.

#### 2.1.2 Example of a Route 1 SSSI

• *Emborough Quarries SSSI, Somerset* – a geological SSSI with no known botanical interest.

#### 2.2 Route 2



- 2.2.1 This is the Route taken by an SSSI not notified for its vascular plant interest (neither an assemblage nor a species in its own right), but which is known to support one or more qualifying vascular plant species.
- 2.2.2 The qualifying species in a Route 2 SSSI do not require conservation objectives or CSM as they cannot be construed to form part of the notified interest of the site, but this isn't to say that the species are therefore unimportant; indeed, where possible, such species should be included as Local Distinctiveness attributes for the habitats in which they occur, or some other means should be found to ensure they are monitored outwith CSM.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> In this context, a <u>qualifying</u> species is taken to be any listed with a 'Yes' or a '[No]'on the master-spreadsheet, ie a native species, archaeophyte or 'listed neophyte' which is **Nationally Rare** (1-15 10-km squares in GB), **Nationally Scarce** (16-100 10-km squares in GB), listed on Schedule 8 and/or included in the new *Red List* (Cheffings & Farrell 2005) as **Data Deficient**, **Near Threatened**, **Vulnerable**, **Endangered** or **Critically Endangered**. Thus, it includes all those rare/scarce and Red Data Book species that would (or could) have been part of the 'reason for a site being notified as a SSSI'; whether or not they actually were part of that reason for notification, however, will depend on a variety of factors, in particular whether or not they were explicitly mentioned on the citation or listed on the criteria sheet. If they were <u>not</u> mentioned in this way, their inclusion within a notified assemblage will depend very much on whether the citation is considered to be flexible enough to allow this. Red-listed species that are not rare or scarce <u>cannot</u> form part of a notified assemblage but should, wherever possible, be included as indicators of Local Distinctiveness when assessing the condition of the habitats in which they occur. If in doubt, consult botanical specialists and Sites and Surveillance Team.

- 2.2.3 It is also important for English Nature to be aware both locally and nationally of the existence of the species involved. There are two main reasons for this:
  - If the qualifying species would now form a legitimate reason for the site's notification, there may be a case for including the SSSI on a list of sites with citations requiring revision to properly reflect the full range of interest features they contain.
  - English Nature needs to maintain an overview of the representation of rare/scarce and Red-listed species across the SSSI network, whether or not the SSSIs were specifically notified for those species.

#### 2.2.4 Examples of Route 2 SSSIs

- *Abbotsbury Blind Lane SSSI, Dorset* a geological SSSI which supports a population of *Vicia lutea* (Nationally Scarce and Near Threatened on *Red List*).
- *Roundham Head, Devon* a geological SSSI which is the type locality for *Limonium procerum* subsp. *devoniense* (Nationally Rare, but not currently Red-listed due to unresolved taxonomic issues).
- Sylvia's Meadow, Cornwall a biological SSSI notified only on habitat grounds (grassland), but supporting four species on the new Red List which are now categorised as 'qualifying species'.

In the first two cases, the rare species do not require conservation objectives or CSM but should, if possible, be monitored outwith CSM. In the third case, Sylvia's Meadow, the Red-listed species may be included as indicators of Local Distinctiveness for the habitat in which they occur (but only if the relevant habitat guidance permits inclusion of discretionary Local Distinctiveness attributes in this way).

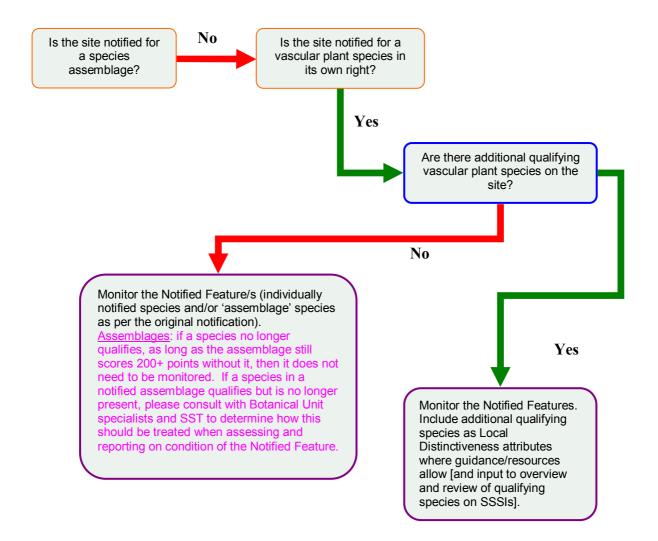
#### 2.3 Route 3

2.3.1 This is the Route taken by any SSSI notified, in whole or in part, on account of one or more vascular plant species *in their own right*, but where there was no reference to there also being a vascular plant 'species assemblage' (= scoring combination, *sensu* Chapter 11, section 3.3 of the 1989 Guidelines) as a formal part of that interest. That isn't to say that at the time of notification there were no rare/scarce species present, simply that they did not together constitute a scoring combination of 200+. For sites having both a scoring combination of 200+ *and* one or more species notified in their own right, see section 2.4 below.

#### 2.3.2 Examples of Route 3 SSSIs

• A biological SSSI notified for a single Schedule 8 species (criterion C1(a) of the 1979/83 guidelines, or Chapter 11, section 3.1 of the 1989 guidelines), eg *Bray Pennyroyal Field SSSI, Berkshire* – notified for its population of *Mentha pulegium*.

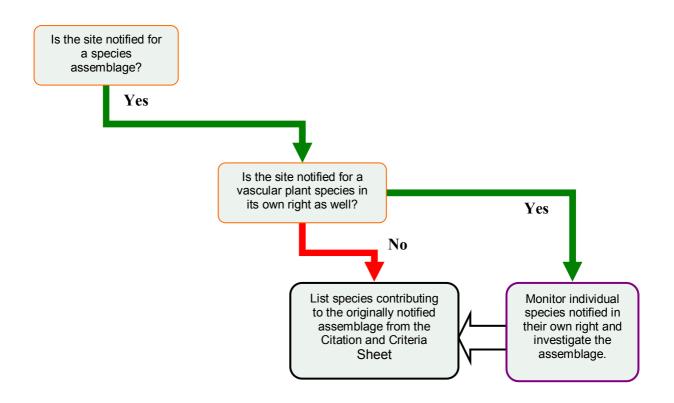
- A biological SSSI notified as an important locality for a single Red Data Book species (criterion C1(c) of the 1979/83 guidelines, or Chapter 11, section 3.2 of the 1989 guidelines), eg *Andrew's Wood SSSI, Devon* notified for its large population of *Lobelia urens*.
- A biological SSSI which was notified, in whole or in part, for one or more species qualifying under criterion C1(c) of the 1983 guidelines or Chapter 11, sections 3.4, 3.5, 3.6 or 3.8 of the 1989 guidelines; ie an SSSI notified for a species at the edge of its range, a particularly large population of a declining species, a 'regional rarity', or an endemic taxon, microspecies or hybrid, eg *Brocks Farm SSSI, Devon* notified for its large population of a declining species, *Anacamptis [Orchis] morio*.



2.3.3 A frequent situation which arises is where an SSSI lacking a 'scoring combination' at time of notification, but notified for a species in its own right, is now known to also contain additional qualifying species (the second 'YES' limb in the flow diagram above). In these circumstances, the qualifying species cannot be viewed as a formal part of the interest for which the site was notified – because the site was notified for a species in its own right rather than for an *assemblage* – but wherever possible such

species should be included as indicators of Local Distinctiveness when undertaking CSM of the habitats in which they occur. It is also important to flag up the presence of these additional species for the following reasons:

- If the additional qualifying species would now form a legitimate reason for the site's notification eg if they comprise a scoring combination of 200+ points there may be a case for adding the SSSI to a list of sites with citations requiring revision to properly reflect the full range of interest features they contain.
- English Nature needs to maintain an overview of the representation of rare/scarce and Red-listed taxa across the SSSI network, whether or not the SSSIs were specifically notified for those species.
- 2.3.4 Another potential complication is where an SSSI was notified for a single Red Data Book species, but where the species in question is no longer listed as RDB/Nationally Rare. In such cases, the species should continue to be treated as a legitimate interest feature in its own right, at least until such time as the reasons for notification of the SSSI are formally reviewed and revised. For example:
  - *Lynher Estuary SSSI, Cornwall* notified for the RDB species *Alopecurus bulbosus* a species now categorised as Nationally Scarce.
- 2.4 Route 4



- 2.4.1 This is the Route taken by any SSSI notified, in whole or in part, for a vascular plant species interest where there is an explicit reference in the citation and/or criteria sheet to there being a vascular plant 'species assemblage' as a formal part of that interest.
- 2.4.2 A 'species assemblage', in this context, is simply a list of 'scoring taxa' ie Schedule 8, Nationally Rare (Red Data Book) and/or Nationally Scarce taxa that together constitute a scoring combination of 200+ points under whichever guidelines were in operation at the time the SSSI was notified (ie the 1989, 1983 or 1979 guidelines see Annex 3).
- 2.4.3 It is important to recognise that an SSSI can be notified both for a scoring combination *and* for one or more species *in their own right*: thus, for example, a Schedule 8 or RDB species may be a notified interest feature under Chapter 11, section 3.1 (1989 guidelines) or criterion C1(a) (1979/83 guidelines) while at the same time contributing towards a scoring combination under Chapter 11, section 3.3 (1989 guidelines) or criterion C1(b) (1979/83 guidelines). Where this is the case, it should be clear from the notification documents that the SSSI was originally notified under more than one 'vascular plant' criterion.

#### 2.4.4 Assemblages – making sure the correct species are included

- 2.4.4.1 Having reached this point, the bottom half of the flow chart (Annex 1) depicts the process for determining which species should be included, and which excluded, from a notified assemblage. This bit of the process is very important, as it will help to draw attention to any mismatch between the current vascular plant interest of an SSSI and the formal reasons for the site being notified in the first place. A mismatch could arise for several reasons, but will usually be due to changes to the national lists of rare and scarce species and/or an improved knowledge of the species present on the SSSI in question. In examining and re/assessing their assemblages, COs will need to draw on a range of information sources (Annex 4).
- 2.4.4.2 When considering a mismatch between the known vascular plant interest of an SSSI and the original reasons for the site's notification and, especially, when trying to decide how to deal with this mismatch when writing conservation objectives and undertaking CSM much will depend on whether the SSSI citation is flexible enough to allow species to be added or removed.
- 2.4.4.3 If the citation is flexible, eg "...site supports a number of interesting rare or uncommon species *including* RDB species x, Nationally Scarce species a, b, c and d", then including any additional qualifying rare/scarce species (and removing ones which no longer qualify) may be relatively straightforward<sup>6</sup>. If, on the other hand, the statement of the site's interest is *in*flexible, eg "...site supports four Nationally Scarce species, a, b, c and d", then additional qualifying species may have to be ignored, at

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Note, however, that any additional qualifying species to be added to the 'scoring combination' should be checked to ensure that they would also have been 'scoring species' at the time the SSSI was notified (and using the scoring system in operation at that time). In reality, almost all species shown as Nationally Scarce on the master-spreadsheet would also have been Nationally Scarce (or possibly Nationally Rare) at the time of notification. Proposed additions to an assemblage notified under the 1979 guidelines, however, would need careful checking as the 'ceiling threshold' for inclusion was different to that defined in later guidelines (60 rather than 100 10-km squares – see Appendix 1). In cases of doubt, please consult with the relevant botanical specialist or Sites and Surveillance Team.

least as far as formal CSM is concerned, unless they can be included as discretionary Local Distinctiveness attributes for the habitats in which they occur.

- 2.4.4.4 It needs to be stressed here that Red-listed species occurring in more than 100 10-km squares are neither Nationally Rare nor Nationally Scarce, and as such cannot form part of a notified assemblage. It is recommended, however, that as far as possible they should be included as indicators of Local Distinctiveness when assessing the habitats in which they occur (see 3.4 below). Whether or not the citation is flexible, it is important to flag up *all* the additional qualifying taxa (including *all* Red-listed species, even if they are listed as '[NO]' species in column 5 of the master-spreadsheet in Annex 2) for the following reasons:
  - In the case of an inflexible citation, there may be a case for adding the SSSI to any list of SSSIs requiring revision to properly reflect the full range of species contributing to their rare/scarce assemblages.
  - English Nature needs to maintain an overview of the representation of rare/scarce and Red-listed species across the SSSI network, whether or not the SSSIs are specifically notified for those species.
- 2.4.4.5 It is important to recognise that species no longer qualifying for inclusion in a vascular plant assemblage and so listed as 'NO' in column 5 of the master-spreadsheet may still need to be included in an assemblage for CSM purposes if a citation's inflexibility means that they cannot be removed. Also, in cases where a scoring combination now falls below the 200 point threshold due to one or more species being 'downgraded', *it is important that these 'downgraded' species continue to be included as part of the assemblage* (even though the master-spreadsheet indicates otherwise), at least until such time as the reasons for notification of the SSSI are formally reviewed and revised. As an example of this:
  - Eglarooze Cliff SSSI, Cornwall, notified (under the 1983 guidelines) for a scoring combination of Lotus angustissimus (100), Orobanche maritima (100), Crambe maritima (40) and Trifolium glomeratum (40) [total score = 280 points]. Crambe maritima is no longer Nationally Scarce, whilst Lotus angustissimus is now Nationally Scarce rather than Rare and Orobanche maritima is now regarded as merely a variety of the widespread O. minor. Thus, the total score is reduced to 100 points. However, for the time being at least, all four species would continue to be included when assessing condition of the vascular plant assemblage interest feature at this site.
  - In contrast, on *Prawle Point and Start Point, Devon*, also notified under the 1983 guidelines for a scoring combination of rare/scarce species, both *Crambe* and *Orobanche maritima* can now be excluded from further consideration as the assemblage still scores 200+ without them. Even so, species excluded in this way could be included, if desired, as discretionary indicators of Local Distinctiveness for the habitats in which they occur; eg *Crambe* could be included as a *species* attribute when assessing the beach-head shingle vegetation on *habitat* grounds. Cases such as these will need to be determined on a site-by-site basis, in consultation with the relevant habitat and vascular plant specialists.

## **3** Red-listed species

- 3.1 As well as former and existing Schedule 8, Nationally Rare (Red Data Book) and Nationally Scarce species, the master-spreadsheet also includes all those species listed in the new *Red List* (Cheffings & Farrell 2005) as **Extinct**, **Extinct in the Wild**, **Critically Endangered**, **Endangered**, **Vulnerable** and **Data Deficient**.<sup>7</sup>
- 3.2 The *Red List* differs from previous Red Data Books in that it examined the entire native and archaeophyte flora of Great Britain, not just the rarities, and was based on objective measurements of decline and threat using internationally recognised IUCN criteria. In the past, first and foremost, a 'Red Data Book' species had to be *rare*, ie in 15 or fewer 10-km squares, whereas a threatened species in the *Red List* can occur in any number of 10-km squares.
- 3.3 As already noted, those Red-listed species occurring in >100 10-km squares cannot be scored as part of a 'scoring combination' of rare and scarce species, but we are concerned that given these species are threatened nationally we ought to be taking account of them, if we can, when framing conservation objectives and undertaking CSM on SSSIs.
- 3.4 It is also important that, as with rare and scarce species, we ascertain how well these 'widespread' Red-listed species are represented across the SSSI network. We have listed them as '[NO]' species in column 5 of the master-spreadsheet, and are recommending that for the time being at least until the SSSI guidelines are revised they should, as far as possible, be included as indicators of Local Distinctiveness when assessing the condition of the habitats in which they occur. Most such species do not currently have CSM guidance; COs requiring specific guidance will therefore need to consult with the relevant botanical specialist.

# 4 Hybrids and *Hieracium, Rubus* and *Taraxacum* microspecies

4.1 The treatment of hybrids and *Hieracium/Rubus/Taraxacum* microspecies on the master-spreadsheet is not straightforward. A few such taxa were included in the rare/scarce lists attached to the 1989 guidelines (eg *Equisetum* x *litorale*), and many more were attached to the 1983 guidelines; however, most rare/scarce hybrids – along with rare/scarce microspecies of the larger apomictic genera, eg *Taraxacum*, *Rubus* – were omitted from these lists, usually due to taxonomic doubts or lack of information concerning their distribution or status. A notable exception to this was a list of scarce *Hieracium* and *Rubus* species attached to the 1983 guidelines. We have included these in the master-spreadsheet as 'NOT ASSESSED' in columns 2 and 3, and as 'NO' species in column 5, since they are not included on the recent national lists of rare/scarce species, were not considered for the new *Red List*, and we have been unable to ascertain their present status. However, if an SSSI has one or more of these

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The master-spreadsheet also includes Red-listed hybrids from the main list of the new *Red List*, along with *Taraxacum* and *Rubus* microspecies which were listed separately as 'candidate microspecies' in section 3 of the new *Red List* – these are discussed in the next section.

listed microspecies as a notified interest feature (or as a named species within a notified assemblage) then they should continue to be treated as such when writing conservation objectives and undertaking CSM. Similarly, there are *Rubus, Taraxacum* and *Hieracium* microspecies listed in the Red Data Book (3<sup>rd</sup> edition, Wigginton 1999) – these also are shown as 'NOT ASSESSED' and 'NO' species (unless they were subsequently included in the *Red List* – 4.2 and 4.3 below).

- 4.2 A number of Nationally Rare, endemic (and possibly threatened) *Rubus* and *Taraxacum* species listed in the RDB (1999) were listed in the introductory sections of the *Red List* (section 3 of Cheffings & Farrell 2005), and we have included these species on the master-spreadsheet as 'CANDIDATE MICROSPECIES'. As these are all also Nationally Rare, we have listed them as 'YES' species in column 5 and given them a score of 100 points in column 6.
- 4.3 Several *Taraxacum* and *Hieracium* (but not *Rubus*) species appeared as *threatened* taxa in the main list of the *Red List*: these are shown as 'YES' species on the master-spreadsheet, with their threat categories shown in column 2, and since they are all also Nationally Rare a score of 100 points in column 6. Likewise, the master-spreadsheet includes all those *threatened* hybrids listed in the *Red List*: as with Red-listed microspecies, these are listed as 'YES' taxa in column 5, with a score of 100 points in column 6.
- 4.4 In practice, most SSSIs will not have been notified for hybrids or microspecies, and the few that have been will usually be evident from an examination of SSSI citations and criteria sheets. If such taxa formed part of the reason for notification, they should be included when writing conservation objectives and carrying out CSM. If, on the other hand, one or more listed hybrids or microspecies are present on an SSSI but did *not* form part of the vascular plant interest for which the site was originally notified, then (apart from those listed with a 'YES' in column 5) they can usually be ignored for purposes of CSM. In such cases, however, it may be desirable to try to include rare/scarce hybrids or microspecies as Local Distinctiveness attributes when undertaking CSM of the habitats in which they occur. If in doubt, COs should consult with the relevant botanical specialist.
- 4.5 There will no doubt remain some confusion (even disagreement) over how to deal with hybrids and microspecies when examining vascular plant interest features on SSSIs, and it is true to say that their treatment in national rare/scarce lists and in the *Red List* has been neither systematic nor comprehensive. Our aim, however, in constructing the master-spreadsheet has been to be as even-handed and 'inclusive' as we can be, and we have therefore attempted as far as possible to treat the larger critical genera (*Hieracium, Taraxacum, Rubus*) in the same way as smaller critical genera like *Euphrasia, Limonium, Salicornia* and *Sorbus*.
- 4.6 All hybrid taxa, and most microspecies, are lacking CSM guidance (JNCC 2004). Usually, COs should seek to apply the habitat guidance for the habitats in which they occur, together with presence/absence attributes (see Appendix 6 of CSM guidance for 'vascular plant species monitored using habitat guidance' (JNCC 2004)).

## 5 Why are some neophytes included in the masterspreadsheet?

- 5.1 As well as native and archaeophyte species, the master-spreadsheet includes a number of species regarded as certain or probable neophytes (recent introductions). These are usually species which were previously considered native, or possibly so or were included as rare aliens in early editions of the RDB but which are now regarded as certain introductions and so deleted from later editions of the RDB and from the new *Red List* (eg *Anisantha diandra, A. tectorum, Paeonia mascula*). They are included in the master-spreadsheet in Annex 2 with a 'NO' in column 5 and the comment 'not a native taxon' in column 7.
- 5.2 There are other neophytes, however, which are included on the spreadsheet as 'YES' species, either because they are listed on Schedule 8 (eg *Melampyrum arvense, Gnaphalium luteoalbum, Teucrium botrys, Equisetum ramosissimum*), or because we believe there is still some doubt about their status as neophytes <u>and</u> we know there are SSSIs notified for them (eg *Tetragonolobus maritimus, Prunella laciniata*). In the *Red List* (Cheffings & Farrell 2005) several problematical rare/scarce neophytes were included in a so-called 'Waiting List', in recognition of continuing disagreements amongst experts as to their true status (eg *Lavatera cretica, Vulpia unilateralis*) we decided to take a precautionary approach to these species, and so have included them as 'YES' species on the master-spreadsheet.
- 5.3 We hope that the master-spreadsheet includes all the neophytes that COs are likely to be concerned about when examining the vascular plant species interest features on their SSSIs. COs requiring advice on the conservation status of any neophytes not listed in the spreadsheet should consult with the relevant botanical specialist.
- 5.4 It is important to remember that if a site was notified for a species now regarded as a neophyte then it should be monitored under CSM, unless it forms part of a scoring combination which still scores 200+ points even after it is removed from the list in which case it can be ignored.

### **6** Regional rarities

- 6.1 Species interest features comprising 'regional rarities' or plants at the edge of their range (1989 guidelines, Chapter 11, section 3.6) may include species that do not appear on the master-spreadsheet. This is because 'qualifying species' under section 3.6 do not have to be Schedule 8, Nationally Rare/RDB, Nationally Scarce or Red-listed. The presence of the northern species *Saxifraga hypnoides* in Cheddar Gorge, Somerset, would be a good example of a non-rare/scarce species occurring as a 'regional rarity' (and southern outlier) in one part of the country while occurring frequently elsewhere.
- 6.2 It will usually be clear from the citation and criteria sheet if an interest feature of this sort exists, but sometimes this is not the case. If in doubt, such species should be included in the initial assessment of the SSSI's botanical interest, and then botanical specialists and Sites and Surveillance Team consulted to determine whether the regional rarities/edge of range species in question comprised part of the formal

notification. If they do not form one or more of the interest features for which the SSSI was notified, their continued presence on that SSSI is not, strictly speaking, a requirement of 'favourable condition' – although consideration should be given to including such species, whenever possible, as indicators of Local Distinctiveness when assessing the condition of the habitats in which they occur.

6.3 Most regional rarities, unless they are also rare/scarce, will be lacking CSM guidance. As a general rule COs should seek to apply the guidance for the habitat in which their regional rarities/edge of range species occur, together with presence/absence attributes (see Appendix 6 of CSM guidance for 'vascular plant species monitored using habitat guidance' (JNCC 2004)). In difficult cases, however, COs will need to consult with relevant botanical specialists.

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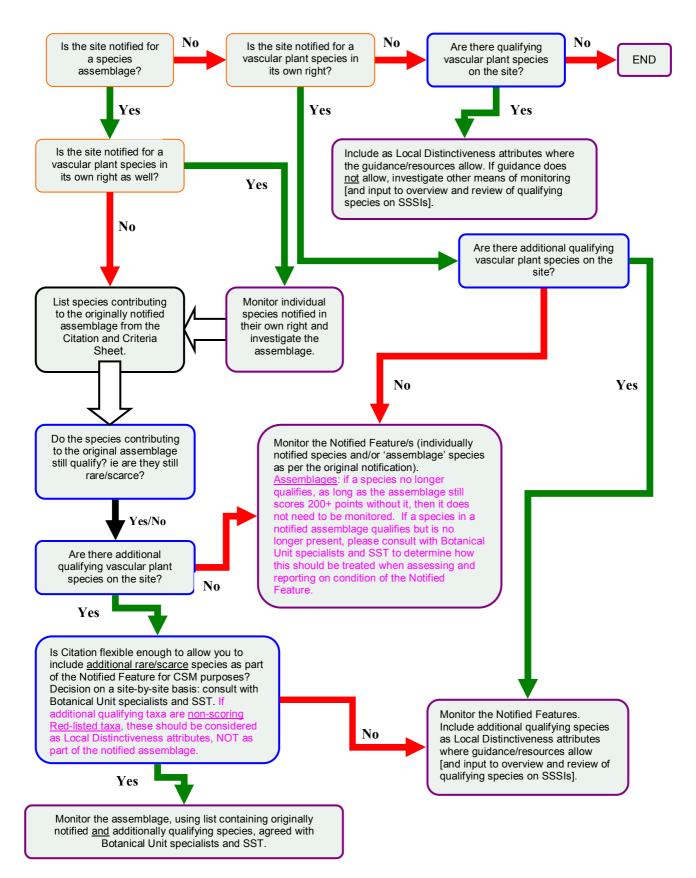
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# **Annex 1 Defining Vascular Plant Notified Features on SSSIs: a flow chart**



## Annex 2 The master-spreadsheet

- Species entry form Master-list
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If notified for	assemblage, is cit	ation flexible?:		Fill in	the green cells above and	below. Pr	ess the	- 'Autofit	
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Vascular plants	Present on Citation	Criteria sheet Score	Red List Category	Rare/ Scarce	Schedule 8	Qualifying species?	New Score	Specialist Notes	Notes
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Taxon	Category	Rare/scarce	Sch. 8	Include?	New Scores	Notes
Aceras anthropophorum	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Acinos arvensis	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	synonym for Clinopodium acinos
Aconitum anglicum	Waiting List	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for the supposedly native (end endemic?) A. <i>napellus</i> subsp <i>napellus</i> . Include only if native: if in doubt consult specialist
Aconitum napellus	Waiting List	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if the native subsp <i>napellus</i> , which is same taxon as <i>A. anglicum</i> : if in doubt consult specialist
Aconitum napellus subsp. napellus	Waiting List	Scarce	-	Yes	50	same as <i>A. anglicum</i> , the native subspecies (though taxonomic doubts remain). Include if native: if in doubt consult specialist
Actaea spicata	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Adiantum capillus-veneris	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Adonis annua	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Agrostemma githago	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	frequent constituent of wild flower seed mixes: include only if occurring as an archaeophyte
Ajuga chamaepitys	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1992
Ajuga genevensis	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	extinct, but not a native taxon
Ajuga pyramidalis	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Ajuga pyramidalis x reptans	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as A. x pseudopyramidalis
Ajuga reptans x pyramidalis	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as A. x pseudopyramidalis
Ajuga x pseudopyramidalis	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as A. reptans x pyramidalis
Alchemilla acutiloba	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Alchemilla glaucescens	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Alchemilla glomerulans	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Alchemilla gracilis	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for A. micans
Alchemilla micans	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as A. gracilis
Alchemilla minima	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Alchemilla monticola	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Alchemilla subcrenata	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Alchemilla wichurae	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Alisma gramineum	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Allium ampeloprasum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: includes <i>A. babingtonii</i> . Formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines

Taxon	Category	Rare/scarce	Sch. 8	Include?	New Scores	Notes
Allium ampeloprasum var. ampeloprasum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include as A. ampeloprasum
Allium ampeloprasum var. babingtonii	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include as A. ampeloprasum
Allium babingtonii	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include as A. ampeloprasum
Allium oleraceum	Vulnerable	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Allium schoenoprasum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Allium scorodoprasum	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Allium sphaerocephalon	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Alopecurus aequalis	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Alopecurus alpinus	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for <i>A. borealis</i> ; this taxon listed in 1989 guidelines under criterion 3.5 as a non-endemic species threatened in Europe for which the best site in each Area of Search could be selected as SSSI - so there may be sites notified for this species in its own right
Alopecurus borealis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as <i>A. alpinus</i> ; this taxon listed in 1989 guidelines under criterion 3.5 as a non-endemic species threatened in Europe for which the best site in each Area of Search could be selected as SSSI - so there may be sites notified for this species in its own right
Alopecurus bulbosus	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Althaea hirsuta	Neophyte	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Althaea officinalis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Alyssum alyssoides	Neophyte	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Anacamptis morio	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	current name: same as <i>Orchis morio</i> ; listed in 1989 guidelines under criterion 3.6 as example of a declining species for which SSSIs holding "particularly large populations" could be notified - if SSSI was notified for this species in its own right, it should be included under CSM
Anagallis arvensis subsp. caerulea	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for A. arvensis subsp. foemina
Anagallis arvensis subsp. foemina	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as <i>A. foemina</i> & <i>A. arvensis</i> subsp <i>caerulea</i> . Formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Anagallis foemina	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for <i>A. arvensis</i> subsp <i>foemina</i> . Formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Anagallis minima	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Andromeda polifolia	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares

Taxon	Category	Rare/scarce	Sch. 8	Include?	New Scores	Notes
Anisantha diandra	Neophyte	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	not a native taxon; current name - same as <i>Bromus</i> diandrus
Anisantha madritensis	Neophyte	Rare	-	Yes	100	consult specialist: exclude unless considered possibly native (Avon Gorge)
Anisantha tectorum	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon; current name - same as <i>Bromus</i> tectorum
Anthemis arvensis	Endangered	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Anthemis cotula	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Anthoxanthum aristatum	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Anthoxanthum puelii	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Anthyllis vulneraria subsp. lapponica	Waiting List	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Apera interrupta	Neophyte	Scarce	-	Yes	50	consult specialist: include only if within possibly native range
Apera spica-venti	Near Threatened	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Apium repens	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988; also listed under EC Habitats & Species Directive Annexes II b and IV b, and under Bern Convention Appendix 1
Arabis alpina	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Arabis glabra	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as <i>Turritis glabra</i> . Formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Arabis petraea	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as Cardaminopsis petraea
Arabis scabra	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	current name: same as <i>A. stricta</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Arabis stricta	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	synonym for A. scabra
Arctostaphylos alpinus	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Arenaria norvegica	Near Threatened	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Arenaria norvegica subsp. anglica	Near Threatened	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Arenaria norvegica subsp. norvegica	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Armeria maritima subsp. elongata	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Arnoseris minima	Extinct	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Artemisia campestris	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Artemisia norvegica	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	the British plants are now (2006) considered to be an endemic subspecies (subsp <i>scotica</i> )
Arthrocnemum perenne	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for Sarcocornia perennis

Taxon	Category	Rare/scarce	Sch. 8	Include?	New Scores	Notes
Arum italicum	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	only include if referring to native subsp <i>neglectum</i> : if in doubt consult specialist
Arum italicum subsp. neglectum	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Asparagus officinalis subsp. prostratus	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for A. prostratus
Asparagus prostratus	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as A. officinalis subsp. prostratus
Asplenium billotii	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for A. obovatum
Asplenium lanceolatum	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for A. obovatum
Asplenium obovatum	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as A. billotii & A. lanceolatum
Asplenium ruta-muraria x septentrionale	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as A. x murbeckii
Asplenium septentrionale	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Asplenium septentrionale x ruta-muraria	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as A. x murbeckii
Asplenium trichomanes subsp. pachyrachis	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Asplenium trichomanes subsp. trichomanes	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Asplenium x murbeckii	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as A. ruta-muraria x septentrionale
Aster linosyris	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as Crinitaria linosyris
Astragalus alpinus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Astragalus danicus	Endangered	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Athyrium distentifolium	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Atriplex longipes	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Atriplex pedunculata	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	current name: same as <i>Halimione pedunculata</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1992
Atriplex praecox	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Baldellia ranunculoides	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Baldellia ranunculoides subsp. ranunculoides	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Baldellia ranunculoides subsp. repens	Data Deficient	Not Assessed	-	[No]	-	current name: same as B. repens
Baldellia repens	Data Deficient	Not Assessed	-	[No]	-	synonym for <i>B. ranunculoides</i> subsp repens
Bartsia alpina	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Betula nana	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Blysmus compressus	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Brassica oleracea	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if on a coastal long-established or native site: if in doubt consult specialist
Briza minor	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Bromopsis benekenii	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as Bromus benekenii
Bromus benekenii	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for Bromopsis benekenii

Taxon	Category	Rare/scarce	Sch. 8	Include?	New Scores	Notes
Bromus diandrus	Neophyte	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	not a native taxon; synonym for Anisantha diandra
Bromus ferronii	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for B. hordeaceus subsp ferronii
Bromus hordeaceus subsp. ferronii	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as B. ferronii
Bromus hordeaceus subsp. thominei	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Bromus interruptus	Extinct in the Wild	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Bromus madritensis	Neophyte	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for <i>Anisantha madritensis</i> : consult specialist: exclude unless considered possibly native (Avon Gorge)
Bromus pseudosecalinus	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Bromus secalinus	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Bromus tectorum	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon; synonym for Anisantha tectorum
Buglossoides purpureocaerulea	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for Lithospermum purpureocaeruleum
Bunium bulbocastanum	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Bupleurum baldense	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Bupleurum falcatum	Neophyte	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Bupleurum rotundifolium	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Bupleurum tenuissimum	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Buxus sempervirens	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	include only if native
Calamagrostis canescens x stricta	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x gracilescens
Calamagrostis purpurea	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. purpurea subsp phramitoides
Calamagrostis purpurea subsp. phragmitoides	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. purpurea
Calamagrostis scotica	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Calamagrostis stricta	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Calamagrostis stricta x canescens	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x gracilescens
Calamagrostis x gracilescens	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. canescens x stricta
Calamintha menthifolia	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	synonym for <i>Clinopodium menthifolium</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Calamintha nepeta	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for Clinopodium calamintha
Calamintha sylvatica	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	synonym for <i>Clinopodium menthifolium</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Callitriche hermaphroditica	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Callitriche palustris	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Callitriche truncata	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Calystegia sepium subsp. roseata	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Camelina sativa	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-

Taxon	Category	Rare/scarce	Sch. 8	Include?	New Scores	Notes
Campanula patula	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Campanula persicifolia	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon - now widely scattered as garden escape
Campanula rapunculus	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Cardamine bulbifera	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as Dentaria bulbifera
Cardamine impatiens	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Cardaminopsis petraea	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for Arabis petraea
Carex acuta x aquatilis	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Carex acuta x elata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x prolixa
Carex acutiformis x riparia	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x sooi
Carex acutiformis x vesicaria	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x ducellieri
Carex appropinquata	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Carex appropinquata x paniculata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x rotae
Carex aquatilis x acuta	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Carex aquatilis x bigelowii	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x limula
Carex aquatilis x nigra	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x hibernica
Carex atrata	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Carex atrofusca	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Carex bigelowii x aquatilis	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x limula
Carex binervis x laevigata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x deserta
Carex buxbaumii	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Carex capillaris	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Carex chordorrhiza	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Carex curta x echinata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x biharica
Carex curta x lachenalii	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x helvola
Carex curta x paniculata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x ludibunda
Carex davalliana	Extinct	Rare	-	Yes	100	Inexplicably omitted from Red List
Carex depauperata	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Carex diandra	Near Threatened	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Carex diandra x paniculata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x beckmannii
Carex digitata	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Carex dioica x echinata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x gaudiniana
Carex divisa	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Carex echinata x curta	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x biharica

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Carex echinata x dioica	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x gaudiniana
Carex elata x acuta	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x prolixa
Carex elongata	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Carex ericetorum	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Carex filiformis	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as C. tomentosa
Carex flava	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Carex flava x viridula	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x alsatica
Carex humilis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Carex incurva	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for C. maritima
Carex lachenalii	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Carex lachenalii x curta	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x helvola
Carex laevigata x binervis	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x deserta
Carex lasiocarpa x riparia	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x evoluta
Carex magellanica	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as C. paupercula
Carex maritima	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as C. incurva
Carex microglochin	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Carex montana	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Carex muricata subsp. muricata	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Carex nigra x aquatilis	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x hibernica
Carex norvegica	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Carex ornithopoda	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Carex paniculata x appropinquata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x rotae
Carex paniculata x curta	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x ludibunda
Carex paniculata x diandra	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x beckmannii
Carex paupercula	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for C. magellanica
Carex pseudocyperus x rostrata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x justi-schmidtii
Carex punctata	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Carex rariflora	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Carex recta	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Carex riparia x acutiformis	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x sooi
Carex riparia x lasiocarpa	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x evoluta
Carex riparia x rostrata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Carex riparia x vesicaria	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x csomadensis
Carex rostrata x pseudocyperus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x justi-schmidtii

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Carex rostrata x riparia	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Carex rupestris	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Carex salina	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	Recently discovered taxon: not in Stace or New Atlas
Carex saxatilis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Carex saxatilis x vesicaria	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x grahamii
Carex tomentosa	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for C. filiformis
Carex trinervis	Extinct	Rare	-	Yes	100	Inexplicably omitted from Red List
Carex vaginata	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Carex vesicaria x acutiformis	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x ducellieri
Carex vesicaria x riparia	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x csomadensis
Carex vesicaria x saxatilis	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x grahamii
Carex viridula x flava	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. x alsatica
Carex vulpina	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Carex x alsatica	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. flava x viridula
Carex x beckmannii	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. paniculata x diandra
Carex x biharica	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. echinata x curta
Carex x csomadensis	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. riparia x vesicaria
Carex x deserta	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. laevigata x binervis
Carex x ducellieri	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. acutiformis x vesicaria
Carex x evoluta	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. lasiocarpa x ripara
Carex x gaudiniana	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. echinata x dioica
Carex x grahamii	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. vesicaria x saxatilis
Carex x helvola	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. lachenalii x curta
Carex x hibernica	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. aquatilis x nigra
Carex x justi-schmidtii	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. pseudocyperus x rostrata
Carex x limula	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. aquatlis x bigelowii
Carex x ludibunda	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. paniculata x curta
Carex x prolixa	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. acuta x elata
Carex x rotae	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. paniculata x appropinquata
Carex x sooi	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as C. acutiformis x riparia
Carum carvi	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Caucalis platycarpos	Extinct	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Centaurea calcitrapa	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-

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Centaurea cyanus	Least Concern	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	a frequent constituent of wild flower seed mixtures and now recorded from >100 10-km squares; real problems separating 'native/archaeophytic' occurrences from recent introductions - if the former is suspected, please consult specialist
Centaurium capitatum	Not Assessed	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	taxonomic issues: now included within C. erythraea
Centaurium latifolium	Not Assessed	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	extinct (?) plus taxonomic issues: now presumed to be included within <i>C. erythraea</i>
Centaurium littorale	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Centaurium portense	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for C. scilloides
Centaurium scilloides	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as C. portense
Centaurium tenuiflorum	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1992
Cephalanthera damasonium	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Cephalanthera longifolia	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Cephalanthera rubra	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Cerastium alpinum	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Cerastium arcticum	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as C. nigrescens subsp arcticum
Cerastium arcticum subsp. edmondstonii	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for C. nigrescens
Cerastium brachypetalum	Neophyte	Rare	-	Yes	100	consult specialist: only include if SSSI originally notified for this species
Cerastium cerastoides	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Cerastium edmondstonii	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for C. nigrescens
Cerastium fontanum subsp. scoticum	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Cerastium nigrescens	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as <i>C. arcticum</i> subsp <i>edmondstonii</i> & <i>C. edmondstonii</i>
Cerastium nigrescens subsp. arcticum	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for C. arcticum
Cerastium pumilum	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Ceratophyllum submersum	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Chamaemelum nobile	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Chenopodium bonus-henricus	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Chenopodium botryodes	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for C. chenopodioides
Chenopodium chenopodioides	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as C. botryodes
Chenopodium glaucum	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Chenopodium murale	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Chenopodium urbicum	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-

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Chenopodium vulvaria	Endangered	Scarce	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Cherleria sedoides	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for Minuartia sedoides
Chrysanthemum segetum	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	currently accepted name, but given as Xanthophthalmum segetum in Sell & Murrell (2006)
Cicendia filiformis	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Cicerbita alpina	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Cicuta virosa	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Circaea alpina	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Cirsium tuberosum	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Clinopodium acinos	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	current name: same as Acinos arvensis
Clinopodium calamintha	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	curerent name: same as Calamintha nepeta
Clinopodium menthifolium	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	current name: same as <i>Calamintha menthifolia &amp; C. sylvatica</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Cochlearia atlantica	Waiting List	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	listed as Data Deficient in RDB 1999, but taxonomic doubts led to it being on Waiting List in Red List 2005. Consider including if part of reason for notification, otherwise consult specialist
Cochlearia micacea	Waiting List	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Cochlearia micacea subsp. alpina	Waiting List	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Cochlearia micacea subsp. micacea	Waiting List	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Cochlearia officinalis subsp. scotica	Waiting List	Not rare/scarce	-	No	-	Taxonomic uncertainties. Recorded in < 100 10-km squares but badly under-recorded, probably far more frequent than suggested by Atlas and <i>Scarce Plants in Britain</i> , so assessed here as probably not scarce
Cochlearia pyrenaica subsp. alpina	Waiting List	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Cochlearia pyrenaica subsp. pyrenaica	Waiting List	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Cochlearia scotica	Waiting List	Not rare/scarce	-	No	-	same as <i>C. officinalis</i> subsp scotica. Taxonomic uncertainties. Recorded in < 100 10-km squares but badly under-recorded, probably far more frequent than suggested by Atlas and Scarce Plants in Britain, so assessed here as probably not scarce
Coeloglossum viride	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	synonym for Dactylorhiza viridis
Coincya monensis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	native subsp only (subsp <i>monensis</i> ); same as <i>Rhynchosinapis monensis</i>
Coincya monensis subsp. monensis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-

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Coincya wrightii	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	current name: same as <i>Rhynchosinapis wrightii</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Colchicum autumnale	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Corallorhiza trifida	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Cornus suecica	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Corrigiola litoralis	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Corynephorus canescens	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Cotoneaster cambricus	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	current name: same as <i>C. integerrimus</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Cotoneaster integerrimus	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	synonym for C. cambricus; added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Crambe maritima	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Crassula aquatica	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Crassula tillaea	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Crepis foetida	Extinct in the Wild	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Crepis mollis	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Crepis praemorsa	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Crinitaria linosyris	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for Aster linosyris
Crocus purpureus	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Cuscuta epithymum	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Cuscuta europaea	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Cyclamen hederifolium	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Cynodon dactylon	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	Include in assemblage only if agreed with specialist
Cynoglossum germanicum	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Cynoglossum officinale	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Cyperus fuscus	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Cyperus longus	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if native: if in doubt consult specialist
Cypripedium calceolus	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981; also listed under EC Habitats & Species Directive Annexes II b and IV b, and under Bern Convention Appendix 1
Cystopteris alpina	Extinct	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Cystopteris diaphana	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Cystopteris dickieana	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Cystopteris montana	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Cytisus scoparius subsp. maritimus	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Dactylorhiza comosa subsp. scotica	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for <i>D. ebudensis</i>

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Dactylorhiza ebudensis	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as <i>D. majalis</i> subsp <i>scotica</i> , <i>D. comosa</i> subsp <i>scotica</i> , <i>D. majalis</i> subsp <i>occidentalis</i> var <i>ebudensis</i>
Dactylorhiza fuchsii subsp. hebridensis	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as D. fuchsii var hebridensis
Dactylorhiza fuchsii var. hebridensis	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	former name: now recognised as a subsp rather than var
Dactylorhiza incarnata subsp. coccinea	Waiting List	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Dactylorhiza incarnata subsp. cruenta	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Dactylorhiza incarnata subsp. ochroleuca	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Dactylorhiza lapponica	-	-	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1992; now included within <i>D. traunsteineroides</i> (Least Concern, Scarce): consult specialist over scoring!
Dactylorhiza maculata subsp. rhoumensis	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Dactylorhiza majalis subsp. cambrensis	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Dactylorhiza majalis subsp. occidentalis	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for D. occidentalis
Dactylorhiza majalis subsp. occidentalis var. ebudensis	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for <i>D. ebudensis</i> : now recognised as a full species
Dactylorhiza majalis subsp. scotica	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for D. ebudensis
Dactylorhiza occidentalis	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for <i>D. majalis</i> subsp <i>occidentalis</i> (except the var <i>ebudensis</i> which is now <i>D. ebudensis</i> )
Dactylorhiza purpurella subsp. cambrensis	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Dactylorhiza traunsteineri	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	included within D. traunsteinerioides
Dactylorhiza traunsteineri subsp. lapponica	-	-	Sch. 8	Yes	200	same as <i>D. lapponica</i> , added to Sch. 8 in 1992 and now included within <i>D. traunsteinerioides</i> (Least Concern, Scarce): consult specialist over scoring!
Dactylorhiza traunsteinerioides	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: includes plants formerly assigned to <i>D. traunsteineri</i> , <i>D. lapponica</i> or <i>D. traunsteineri</i> subsp <i>lapponica</i>
Dactylorhiza viridis	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	current name: same as Coeloglossum viride
Damasonium alisma	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Daphne mezereum	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if native: if in doubt consult specialist
Daucus carota subsp. gummifer	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Dentaria bulbifera	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for Cardamine bulbifera
Deschampsia alpina	Data Deficient	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for D. cespitosa subsp alpina
Deschampsia cespitosa subsp. alpina	Data Deficient	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as D. alpina

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Deschampsia setacea	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	listed in 1989 guidelines under criterion 3.5 as a non- endemic species threatened in Europe for which the best site in each Area of Search could be selected as SSSI - so there may be sites notified for this species in its own right
Dianthus armeria	Endangered	Scarce	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1998 (England and Wales only)
Dianthus deltoides	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Dianthus gratianopolitanus	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981. Include only if native: long- established introduction sites, consult specialist
Diapensia lapponica	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Diphasiastrum complanatum	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as D. issleri
Diphasiastrum complanatum subsp. issleri	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for <i>D. issleri</i> , which is, itself, a synonym for <i>D. complanatum</i>
Diphasiastrum issleri	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for D. complanatum
Draba aizoides	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Draba incana	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Draba muralis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if native: if in doubt consult specialist
Draba norvegica	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Drosera anglica	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Drosera intermedia x rotundifolia	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as D. x belezeana
Drosera rotundifolia x intermedia	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as D. x belezeana
Drosera x belezeana	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as D. rotundifolia x intermedia
Dryas octopetala	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Dryopteris carthusiana x cristata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as D. x uliginosa
Dryopteris carthusiana x dilatata	Not Assessed	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	Included in 1989 Guidelines as Scarce, but excluded from current list as not a Red-listed hybrid
Dryopteris carthusiana x expansa	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as D. x sarvelae
Dryopteris cristata	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Dryopteris cristata x carthusiana	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as D. x uliginosa
Dryopteris expansa x carthusiana	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as D. x sarvelae
Dryopteris filix-mas x affinis	Not Assessed	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	Included in 1989 Guidelines as Scarce, but excluded from current list as not a Red-listed hybrid
Dryopteris submontana	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as <i>D. villarii/D. villarii</i> subsp submontana
Dryopteris villarii	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for D. submontana
Dryopteris villarii subsp. submontana	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for D. submontana

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Dryopteris x deweveri	Not Assessed	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	Included in 1983 and 1989 Guidelines as Scarce, but excluded from current list as not a Red-listed hybrid
Dryopteris x sarvelae	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as D. carthusiana x expansa
Dryopteris x tavelii	Not Assessed	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	Included in 1983 and 1989 Guidelines as Scarce, but excluded from current list as not a Red-listed hybrid
Dryopteris x uliginosa	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as D. cristata x carthusiana
Echium plantagineum	Neophyte	Rare	-	Yes	100	consult specialist before including as part of assemblage
Elatine hexandra	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Elatine hydropiper	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Eleocharis acicularis	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Eleocharis austriaca	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Eleocharis palustris subsp. palustris	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Eleocharis parvula	Least Concern	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1998
Elytrigia repens subsp. arenosa	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Epilobium alsinifolium	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Epilobium lamyi	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	taxonomically indistinct: now included within <i>E.</i> <i>tetragonum</i> and, as such, in >100 10-km squares
Epipactis atrorubens	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Epipactis cambrensis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for E. phyllanthes
Epipactis dunensis	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	formerly included within <i>E. leptochila</i> as <i>E. leptochila</i> var <i>dunensis</i>
Epipactis leptochila	Data Deficient	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as <i>E. muelleri</i> var <i>leptochila</i> and <i>E. viridiflora</i> var <i>leptochila</i>
Epipactis muelleri var. leptochila	Data Deficient	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for <i>E. leptochila</i> : now recognised as a full species
Epipactis peitzii var. sancta	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	Alternative name for <i>E. sancta:</i> now recognised as a full species
Epipactis pendula	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for E. phyllanthes
Epipactis phyllanthes	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as <i>E. vectensis</i> , <i>E. pendula</i> , <i>E. cambrensis</i>
Epipactis sancta	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	Recently described taxon: not in Stace or New Atlas
Epipactis vectensis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for E. phyllanthes
Epipactis viridiflora var leptochila	Data Deficient	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for <i>E. leptochila</i> : now recognised as a full species

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Epipactis youngiana	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	Sch. 8	Yes	200	Taxonomically suspect; added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Epipogium aphyllum	Extinct	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Equisetum arvense x fluviatile	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	same as <i>E. x litorale</i> ; included in 1989 Guidelines as Scarce, but excluded from current list as not a Red- listed hybrid
Equisetum arvense x telmateia	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as E. x robertsii
Equisetum fluviatile x arvense	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	same as <i>E. x litorale</i> ; included in 1989 Guidelines as Scarce, but excluded from current list as not a Red-listed hybrid
Equisetum fluviatile x telmateia	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as <i>E. x willmotii</i>
Equisetum pratense	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Equisetum ramosissimum	Neophyte	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Equisetum sylvaticum x telmateia	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as <i>E. x bowmanii</i>
Equisetum telmateia x arvense	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as <i>E. x robertsii</i>
Equisetum telmateia x fluviatile	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as <i>E</i> . <i>x</i> willmotii
Equisetum telmateia x sylvaticum	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as <i>E. x bowmanii</i>
Equisetum variegatum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Equisetum x bowmanii	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as E. sylvaticum x telmateia
Equisetum x litorale	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	same as <i>E. fluviatile x arvense</i> ; included in 1989 Guidelines as Scarce, but excluded from current list as not a Red-listed hybrid
Equisetum x robertsii	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as <i>E. arvense x telmateia</i>
Equisetum x willmotii	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as <i>E. fluviatile x telmateia</i>
Erica ciliaris	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	include within native range; elsewhere, consult specialist
Erica vagans	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	Cornwall only; elsewhere not native
Erigeron borealis	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Eriocaulon aquaticum	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as E. septangulare
Eriocaulon septangulare	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for <i>E. aquaticum</i>
Eriophorum gracile	Near Threatened	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Eriophorum latifolium	Least Concern	Not rare/scarce	-	No	-	listed in 1989 guidelines under criterion 3.6 as example of a declining species for which SSSIs holding "particularly large populations" could be notified - if SSSI was notified for this species in its own right, it should be included under CSM
Erodium glutinosum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for <i>E. lebelii</i>

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Erodium lebelii	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as E. glutinosum
Erodium maritimum	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Erodium moschatum	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	no longer regarded as native in SW England, and recorded as alien from >100 10-km squares
Eryngium campestre	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981. Include if long-established; other sites, consult specialist
Euphorbia exigua	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Euphorbia hyberna	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Euphorbia paralias	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Euphorbia peplis	Extinct	Rare	-	Yes	100	added to Sch. 8 in 1981, removed 1992
Euphorbia pilosa	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for <i>E. villosa</i> ; extinct in GB
Euphorbia platyphyllos	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Euphorbia portlandica	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Euphorbia serrulata	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as E. stricta
Euphorbia stricta	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for <i>E. serrulata</i>
Euphorbia villosa	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	Extinct, status uncertain; more research required
Euphrasia anglica	Endangered	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Euphrasia arctica subsp. arctica	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Euphrasia arctica subsp. arctica	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	Probably restricted to Shetland and Orkney; may be 'scarce' rather than 'rare' as possibly under-recorded
Euphrasia arctica subsp. borealis	Data Deficient	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	current name: same as <i>E. borealis</i> ; now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Euphrasia borealis	Data Deficient	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	synonym for <i>E. arctica</i> subsp <i>borealis</i> ; now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Euphrasia cambrica	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Euphrasia campbelliae	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Euphrasia confusa	Data Deficient	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Euphrasia curta	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for E. ostenfeldii
Euphrasia eurycarpa	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for E. ostenfeldii?
Euphrasia foulaensis	Data Deficient	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Euphrasia frigida	Data Deficient	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Euphrasia heslop-harrisonii	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Euphrasia marshallii	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Euphrasia micrantha	Data Deficient	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Euphrasia montana	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for E. rostkoviana subsp montana

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Euphrasia ostenfeldii	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as E. curta & E. eurycarpa?
Euphrasia pseudokerneri	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Euphrasia rhumica	Not Assessed	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	taxonomic issues: possibly falls within E. micrantha
Euphrasia rivularis	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Euphrasia rostkoviana	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	includes both subspp.
Euphrasia rostkoviana subsp. montana	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as E. montana
Euphrasia rostkoviana subsp. rostkoviana	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Euphrasia rotundifolia	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Euphrasia tetraquetra	Data Deficient	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Euphrasia vigursii	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Fagopyrum esculentum	Neophyte	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	not a native taxon, but listed as Scarce in 1983/89 guidelines
Fallopia dumetorum	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as Polygonum dumetorum
Festuca altissima	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Festuca arenaria	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as F. juncifolia
Festuca arenaria subsp. arenaria	Waiting List	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Festuca arenaria subsp. oraria	Waiting List	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Festuca caesia	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for <i>F. longifolia</i>
Festuca glauca	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	partial synonym for <i>F. longifolia</i> : include if applying to that taxon
Festuca glauca var. caesia	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for <i>F. longifolia</i>
Festuca heterophylla	Neophyte	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	not a native taxon, but listed as Scarce in 1983/89 guidelines
Festuca juncifolia	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for F. arenaria
Festuca lemanii	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Festuca longifolia	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: includes F. glauca & F. caesia
Festuca rubra subsp. arctica	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Festuca rubra subsp. litoralis	Least Concern	Not rare/scarce	-	No	-	in <100 10-km squares but badly under-recorded; probably far more frequent than suggested by Atlas and therefore assessed as 'not scarce' in most recent national lists
Festuca rubra subsp. scotica	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Filago apiculata	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	synonym for F. lutescens; added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Filago gallica	Extinct in the Wild	Rare	-	Yes	100	-

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Filago lutescens	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	current name: same as <i>F. apiculata</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Filago pyramidata	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	current name: same as <i>F. spathulata</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1992
Filago spathulata	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	synonym for F. pyramidata; added to Sch. 8 in 1992
Filago vulgaris	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Frankenia laevis	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Fritillaria meleagris	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Fumaria bastardii	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Fumaria capreolata	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Fumaria capreolata subsp. babingtonii	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Fumaria densiflora	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Fumaria martinii	Waiting List	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	synonym for F. reuteri; added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Fumaria micrantha	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Fumaria muralis subsp. neglecta	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Fumaria occidentalis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Fumaria parviflora	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Fumaria purpurea	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Fumaria reuteri	Waiting List	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	current name: same as <i>F. martinii</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Fumaria vaillantii	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Gagea bohemica	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Gagea lutea	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Galeopsis angustifolia	Critically Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Galeopsis segetum	Extinct	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Galeopsis speciosa	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Galium constrictum	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as G. debile
Galium debile	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for G. constrictum
Galium fleurotii	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	Included within <i>G. pumilum</i> (subsp <i>fleurotii</i> in Sell & Murrell (2006)); species as a whole is 'Endangered', but threat status of <i>G. fleurotii</i> unclear so currently categorised as 'Data Deficient'
Galium parisiense	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-

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Galium pumilum	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	Includes 2 subspp (Sell & Murrell 2006), one of which is synonymous with <i>G. fleurotii</i> ; species as a whole (and subsp <i>pumilum</i> ) is 'Endangered', but threat status of subsp <i>fleurotii</i> unclear so currently categorised as 'Data Deficient'
Galium pumilum subsp. fleurotii	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name (Sell & Murrell 2006): same as G. fleurotii. Threat status unclear so currently categorised as 'Data Deficient'
Galium pumilum subsp. pumilum	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonymous with G. pumilum (minus G. fleurotii/pumilum subsp. fleurotii)
Galium spurium	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Galium sterneri	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Galium tricornutum	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Gastridium ventricosum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Gaudinia fragilis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Genista anglica	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Genista pilosa	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Genista tinctoria subsp. littoralis	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Gentiana nivalis	Near Threatened	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Gentiana pneumonanthe	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Gentiana verna	Least Concern	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Gentianella amarella subsp. septentrionalis	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Gentianella anglica	Waiting List	Scarce	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1992; also listed under EC Habitats & Species Directive Annexes II b and IV b, and under Bern Convention Appendix 1. Taxonomic doubts remain, which is why this species appeared on 'Waiting List' in the 2005 Red List
Gentianella campestris	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Gentianella ciliata	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Gentianella germanica	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Gentianella uliginosa	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1992
Geranium purpureum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	includes subspp forsteri & purpureum
Geranium purpureum subsp. forsteri	Waiting List	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Geranium purpureum subsp. purpureum	Waiting List	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines

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Geranium rotundifolium	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Gladiolus illyricus	Least Concern	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Gladiolus illyricus subsp. britannicus	Waiting List	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Gnaphalium luteoalbum	Neophyte	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Gnaphalium norvegicum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Gnaphalium supinum	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Gnaphalium sylvaticum	Endangered	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Goodyera repens	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Groenlandia densa	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Gymnadenia albida	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	synonym for Pseudorchis albida
Gymnadenia borealis	Least Concern	Not rare/scarce	-	No	-	current name: same as <i>G conopsea</i> subsp <i>borealis</i> . In <100 10-km squares but badly under-recorded; probably far more frequent than suggested by Atlas and therefore assessed as 'not scarce' in most recent national lists
Gymnadenia conopsea subsp. borealis	Least Concern	Not rare/scarce	-	No	-	synonym for <i>G. borealis</i> . In <100 10-km squares but badly under-recorded; probably far more frequent than suggested by Atlas and therefore assessed as 'not scarce' in most recent national lists
Gymnadenia conopsea subsp. densiflora	Data Deficient	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	synonym for <i>G. densiflora</i> . In <100 10-km squares but badly under-recorded; likely to be more frequent than suggested by Atlas and therefore assessed here as 'not scarce'
Gymnadenia densiflora	Data Deficient	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	current name: same as <i>G. conopsea</i> subsp <i>densiflora</i> . In <100 10-km squares but badly under-recorded; likely to be more frequent than suggested by Atlas and therefore assessed here as 'not scarce'
Gymnocarpium robertianum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as Thelypteris robertiana
Halimione pedunculata	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	synonym for <i>Atriplex pedunculata</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Hammarbya paludosa	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	current name: same as <i>Malaxis paludosa</i> . Now recorded from >100 10-km squares; this taxon listed in 1989 guidelines under criterion 3.5 as a non-endemic species threatened in Europe for which the best site in each Area of Search could be selected as SSSI - so there may be sites notified for this species in its own right
Helianthemum apenninum	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-

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Helianthemum canum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for <i>H. oelandicum</i> ; includes 2 subspecies, subspp <i>incanum</i> (Scarce) and <i>levigatum</i> (Rare)
Helianthemum canum subsp. canum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for H. oelandicum subsp incanum
Helianthemum canum subsp. levigatum	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for H. oelandicum subsp levigatum
Helianthemum oelandicum subsp. incanum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as H. canum subsp canum
Helianthemum oelandicum subsp. levigatum	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as H. canum subsp levigatum
Helleborus foetidus	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if native: if in doubt, consult specialist
Heracleum sphondylium subsp. flavescens	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	uncertain status, but possibly native in E. Norfolk: check with specialist before including
Herminium monorchis	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Herniaria ciliolata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as subsp <i>ciliolata</i>
Herniaria ciliolata subsp. ciliolata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Herniaria glabra	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	50	-
Hieracium acamptum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium alpinum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium ampliatum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium angustatum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium asteridiophyllum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium attenuatifolium	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1992
Hieracium auratiflorum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium austalius	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No		Hieracium section <i>Alpestria</i> ; listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999 - include if site originally notified for this taxon, if in doubt consult specialist
Hieracium backhousei	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hieracium bakerianum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium breve	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No		Hieracium section <i>Alpestria</i> ; listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999 - include if site originally notified for this taxon, if in doubt consult specialist

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Hieracium cacuminum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium caesiomurorum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium caesionigrescens	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium calcaricola	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium caledonicum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium callistophyllum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium calvum	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hieracium cambricogothicum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium cambricum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium candelabrae	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium cantianum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium carpathicum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No		Hieracium section <i>Alpestria</i> ; listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999 - include if site originally notified for this taxon, if in doubt consult specialist
Hieracium chloranthum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium chrysolorum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium cillense	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium cinderella	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist

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Hieracium cravoniense	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium cymbifolium	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium dasythrix	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium decolor	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium dewarii	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium diaphanoides	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium dicella	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium difficile	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No		Hieracium section <i>Alpestria</i> ; listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999 - include if site originally notified for this taxon, if in doubt consult specialist
Hieracium discophyllum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium dissimile	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium diversidens	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium dovrense	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No		Hieracium section Alpestria; listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999 - include if site originally notified for this taxon, if in doubt consult specialist
Hieracium duriceps	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium eboracense	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist

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Hieracium eustales	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium eximium	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium flocculosum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium fratrum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium fulvocaesium	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium gladuliceps	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium globosiflorum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines and listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium gracilifolium	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium graniticola	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hieracium gratum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No		Hieracium section <i>Alpestria</i> ; listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999 - include if site originally notified for this taxon, if in doubt consult specialist
Hieracium grovesii	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hieracium hanburyi	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium hebridense	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium hethlandiae	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No		Hieracium section <i>Alpestria</i> ; listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999 - include if site originally notified for this taxon, if in doubt consult specialist
Hieracium holosericeum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium hypochaeroides	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist

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Hieracium insigne	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	includes subspp <i>insigne</i> and <i>celsum</i> , both listed as 'rare' taxa in RDB 1999
Hieracium iricum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium itunense	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium jovimontis	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium kennethii	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hieracium langwellense	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium larigense	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hieracium lasiophyllum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium latobrigorum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium leptodon	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hieracium leyi	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium linguans	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium lingulatum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium lissolepium	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium longilobum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium macrocarpum	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hieracium magniceps	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist

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Hieracium marshallii	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium melanochloricephalum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium milesii	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hieracium mirandum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No		Hieracium section <i>Alpestria</i> ; listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999 - include if site originally notified for this taxon, if in doubt consult specialist
Hieracium mucronellum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium naviense	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium neocoracinum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium nidense	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium nitidum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium northroense	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1992
Hieracium notabile	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hieracium oistophyllum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium optimum	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hieracium orimeles	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium ornatilorum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium pachyphylloides	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium pauculidens	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium pellucidum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist

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Hieracium pensum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium perscitum	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hieracium petrocharis	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No		on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium pictorum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium piligerum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium placerophylloides	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium pollinarium	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium praethulense	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No		Hieracium section <i>Alpestria</i> ; listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999 - include if site originally notified for this taxon, if in doubt consult specialist
Hieracium prenanthoides	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium probum	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hieracium prolixum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium pruinale	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium pseudanglicum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium pseudocurvatum	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hieracium pseudoleyi	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium pseudopetiolatum	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hieracium pugsleyi	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No		Hieracium section Alpestria; listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999 - include if site originally notified for this taxon, if in doubt consult specialist

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Hieracium radyrense	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium repandulare	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium reticulatum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium riddelsdellii	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium rigens	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium rubiginosum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium salticola	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium saxorum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium scabrisetum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium schmidtii	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium scoticum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium senescens	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium shoolbredii	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium snowdoniense	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist

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Hieracium solum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No		Hieracium section <i>Alpestria</i> ; listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999 - include if site originally notified for this taxon, if in doubt consult specialist
Hieracium sommerfeltii	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium sparsifolium	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium spenceanum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No		Hieracium section <i>Alpestria</i> ; listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999 - include if site originally notified for this taxon, if in doubt consult specialist
Hieracium stenolepiforme	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium stenstroemii	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium strictiforme	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium subamplifolium	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium subgracilentipes	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hieracium subhirtum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium subintegrifolium	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium subminutidens	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium submutabile	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium subprasinifolium	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium subrude	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist

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Hieracium substrigosum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium subtenue	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium subumbellatiforme	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium surrejanum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium tavense	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium tenuifrons	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium trichocaulon	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium uiginskyense	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium umbellatum subsp. bichlorophyllum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium vennicontium	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium westii	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed as 'rare' in RDB 1999; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Hieracium zetlandicum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1992
Hierochloe odorata	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Himantoglossum hircinum	Near Threatened	Scarce	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Hippophae rhamnoides	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	Include only if native
Holoschoenus vulgaris	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for Scirpoides holoschoenus
Holosteum umbellatum	Extinct	Rare	-	Yes	100	Inexplicably omitted from Red List
Homogyne alpina	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Hordelymus europaeus	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-

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Hordeum marinum	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Hornungia petraea	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Hydrilla verticillata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hydrocharis morsus-ranae	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Hymenophyllum wilsonii	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Hyoscyamus niger	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Hypericum linarifolium	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for <i>H. linariifolium</i>
Hypericum linariifolium	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as H. linarifolium
Hypericum maculatum subsp. maculatum	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hypericum montanum	Near Threatened	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	Listed in 1983 and 1989 guidelines as Scarce; now in > 100 10-km squares
Hypericum undulatum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Hypochaeris glabra	Vulnerable	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Hypochaeris maculata	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Hypochoeris glabra	Vulnerable	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	old spelling: current name <i>Hypochaeris glabra</i> . Now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Hypochoeris maculata	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	old spelling: current name Hypochaeris maculata
Iberis amara	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if native (mainly Chilterns)
Illecebrum verticillatum	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Impatiens noli-tangere	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if within native range
Inula crithmoides	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Iris spuria	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Iris versicolor	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Isatis tinctoria	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Isoetes echinospora	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Isoetes histrix	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Juncus acutus	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Juncus alpinoarticulatus	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as <i>J. nodulosus</i> . Formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Juncus balticus	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Juncus biglumis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Juncus capitatus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Juncus castaneus	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-

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Juncus compressus	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Juncus dudleyi	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Juncus filiformis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Juncus mutabilis	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for J. pygmaeus
Juncus nodulosus	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for <i>J. alpinoarticulatus</i> . Formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Juncus pygmaeus	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as J. mutabilis
Juncus subulatus	Neophyte	Rare	-	Yes	100	consult specialist before including as part of assemblage
Juncus tenuis	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Juniperus communis subsp. hemisphaerica	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Kobresia simpliciuscula	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Koeleria vallesiana	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Koenigia islandica	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Lactuca saligna	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Lamiastrum galeobdolon subsp. galeobdolon	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Lathyrus aphaca	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Lathyrus hirsutus	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Lathyrus japonicus	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Lathyrus palustris	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	listed as 'scarce' (50 points) in 1989 guidelines, but as it occurred in 15 10-km squares it should have been listed as 'rare' (100 points) at that time
Lavatera arborea	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Lavatera cretica	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	include for Isles of Scilly and W. Cornwall mainland coastal sites where long-established
Ledum groenlandicum	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	same as L. palustre; not a native taxon
Ledum palustre	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	current name (as subsp groenlandicum) for <i>L. groenlandicum</i> ; not a native taxon
Ledum palustre subsp. groenlandicum	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	current name for L. groenlandicum; not a native taxon
Leersia oryzoides	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1998
Lepidium latifolium	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only within presumed native range
Leucojum aestivum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	only include if subsp aestivum and within presumed native range. Formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines

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Leucojum aestivum subsp. aestivum	Least Concern S	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Leucojum vernum	Neophyte H	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Leucorchis albida	Vulnerable 1	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	synonym for Pseudorchis albida
Limonium bellidifolium	Least Concern H	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Limonium binervosum agg.	Least Concern H	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Limonium binervosum sensu stricto	Waiting List S	Scarce	-	Yes	50	Limonium binervosum agg is NOT scarce
Limonium binervosum subsp. anglicum	Waiting List H	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Limonium binervosum subsp. binervosum	Waiting List H	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Limonium binervosum subsp. cantianum	Waiting List H	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Limonium binervosum subsp. mutatum	Waiting List H	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Limonium binervosum subsp. saxonicum	Waiting List I	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Limonium britannicum	Waiting List S	Scarce	-	Yes	50	identify to subsp level if possible (subspp are Rare): consult specialist
Limonium britannicum subsp. britannicum	Waiting List H	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Limonium britannicum subsp. celticum	Waiting List H	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Limonium britannicum subsp. coombense	Waiting List I	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Limonium britannicum subsp. transcanalis	Waiting List I	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Limonium dodartiforme	Waiting List H	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Limonium humile	Least Concern S	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Limonium loganicum	Waiting List I	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Limonium paradoxum	Waiting List H	Rare	-	Yes	100	Formerly listed on Sch. 8, removed from Sch. 8 in 1992
Limonium parvum	Waiting List H	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Limonium procerum	Waiting List S	Scarce	-	Yes	50	identify to subsp level if possible (2 subspp are Rare): consult specialist
Limonium procerum subsp. cambrense	Waiting List I	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Limonium procerum subsp. devoniense	Waiting List I	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Limonium procerum subsp. procerum	Waiting List S	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Limonium recurvum	Vulnerable I	Rare	-	Yes	100	includes 3 subspp ( <i>humile, portlandicum &amp; recurvum</i> ); formerly listed on Sch. 8, removed from Sch. 8 in 1992
Limonium recurvum subsp. humile	Waiting List H	Rare	-	Yes	100	included within <i>L. recurvum</i> on Sch. 8, from 1981 to 1992
Limonium recurvum subsp. portlandicum	Waiting List H	Rare	-	Yes	100	included within <i>L. recurvum</i> on Sch. 8, from 1981 to 1992

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Limonium recurvum subsp. recurvum	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	included within <i>L. recurvum</i> on Sch. 8, from 1981 to 1992
Limonium transwallianum	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Limosella aquatica	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Limosella australis	Waiting List	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	current name: same as <i>L. subulata</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1992
Limosella subulata	Waiting List	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	synonym for L. australis; added to Sch. 8 in 1992
Linaria supina	Neophyte	Rare	-	Yes	100	consult specialist: only include if part of reason for SSSI being notified
Linnaea borealis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Linum anglicum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for L. perenne
Linum perenne	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as L. anglicum
Liparis loeselii	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981; also listed under EC Habitats & Species Directive Annexes II b and IV b, and under Bern Convention Appendix 1
Lithospermum arvense	Endangered	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Lithospermum purpureocaeruleum	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as Buglossoides purpureocaerulea
Lloydia serotina	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Lobelia urens	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Lolium temulentum	Critically Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Lonicera xylosteum	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	include only if within presumed native range (Sussex): if in doubt consult specialist
Lotus angustissimus	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Lotus hispidus	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for L. subbiflorus
Lotus subbiflorus	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as L. hispidus
Ludwigia palustris	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Luronium natans	Least Concern	Scarce	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1992. Listed under EC Habitats & Species Directive Annexes II b and IV b, and under Bern Convention Appendix 1; this taxon listed in 1989 guidelines under criterion 3.5 as a non-endemic species threatened in Europe for which the best site in each Area of Search could be selected as SSSI - so there may be sites notified for this species in its own right
Luzula arcuata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Luzula pallescens	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for L. pallidula
Luzula pallidula	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as L. pallescens

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Lychnis alpina	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Lychnis viscaria	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Lycopodiella inundata	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Lycopodium annotinum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Lycopodium inundatum	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for Lycopodiella inundata
Lycopodium issleri	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for Diphasiastrum complanatum
Lysimachia thyrsiflora	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Lythrum hyssopifolia	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988; same as L. hyssopifolium
Lythrum hyssopifolium	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988; same as L. hyssopifolia
Maianthemum bifolium	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Malaxis paludosa	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	synonym for <i>Hammarbya paludosa</i> . Now recorded from >100 10-km squares. Listed in 1989 guidelines under criterion 3.5 as a non-endemic species threatened in Europe for which the best site in each Area of Search could be selected as SSSI - so there may be sites notified for this species in its own right
Marrubium vulgare	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if within native range (mainly coastal): if in doubt consult specialist
Matthiola incana	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Matthiola sinuata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Meconopsis cambrica	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if within native range
Medicago falcata	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for <i>M. sativa</i> subsp <i>falcata</i>
Medicago minima	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if within native range: if in doubt consult specialist
Medicago polymorpha	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if within native range: if in doubt consult specialist
Medicago sativa subsp. falcata	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as M. falcata - include only if within native range (E. Anglia)
Melampyrum arvense	Waiting List	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Melampyrum cristatum	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Melampyrum sylvaticum	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Melittis melissophyllum	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Mentha pulegium	Endangered	Scarce	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988; include only if considered native. Prior to 1988 was listed as RDB/Rare, so would have scored 100 points
Mentha rotundifolia	Data Deficient	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for M. suaveolens

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Mentha suaveolens	Data Deficient	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as M. rotundifolia
Mertensia maritima	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Mespilus germanica	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Meum athamanticum	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Mibora minima	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	consult specialist re native/alien status of English sites
Minuartia hybrida	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Minuartia rubella	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Minuartia sedoides	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as Cherleria sedoides
Minuartia stricta	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Minuartia verna	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Misopates orontium	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Moenchia erecta	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Moneses uniflora	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Monotropa hypopitys	Endangered	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Monotropa hypopitys subsp. hypophegea	Endangered	Not Assessed	-	[No]	-	-
Monotropa hypopitys subsp. hypopitys	Endangered	Not Assessed	-	[No]	-	-
Muscari atlanticum	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for <i>M. neglectum</i>
Muscari neglectum	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as M. atlanticum
Myosotis alpestris	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Myosotis brevifolia	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for <i>M. stolonifera</i>
Myosotis stolonifera	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as M. brevifolia
Myosurus minimus	Vulnerable	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Myriophyllum verticillatum	Vulnerable	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Najas flexilis	Least Concern	Scarce	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1992; also listed under EC Habitats & Species Directive Annexes II b and IV b, and under Bern Convention Appendix 1. Formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Najas marina	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Narcissus obvallaris	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Nardurus maritimus	Waiting List	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for Vulpia unilateralis
Neotinea ustulata	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as Orchis ustulata
Neottia nidus-avis	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Nepeta cataria	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Nuphar pumila	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-

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Nymphoides peltata	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if within native range
Odontites vernus subsp. litoralis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Oenanthe fistulosa	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Oenanthe fluviatilis	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Oenanthe pimpinelloides	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Oenanthe silaifolia	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Oenothera stricta	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Onobrychis viciifolia	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	include only if within native range; if in doubt, consult specialist
Ononis reclinata	Least Concern	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Ophioglossum azoricum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Ophioglossum lusitanicum	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Ophrys bertolonii	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	included in RDB ed. 1 but excluded thereafter as deliberately planted
Ophrys fuciflora	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	current name: same as <i>O. holoserica</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Ophrys holoserica	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	synonym for O. fuciflora; added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Ophrys insectifera	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Ophrys sphegodes	Least Concern	Scarce	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Orchis anthropophora	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as Aceras anthropophorum
Orchis militaris	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Orchis morio	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	synonym for <i>Anacamptis morio</i> ; listed in 1989 guidelines under criterion 3.6 as example of a declining species for which SSSIs holding "particularly large populations" could be notified - if SSSI was notified for this species in its own right, it should be included under CSM
Orchis purpurea	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Orchis simia	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Orchis ustulata	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for Neotinea ustulata
Ornithogalum pyrenaicum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Ornithopus pinnatus	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Orobanche alba	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Orobanche artemisiae-campestris	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	current name: same as <i>O. picridis</i> & <i>O. loricata</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Orobanche caryophyllacea	Near Threatened	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981

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Orobanche hederae	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Orobanche loricata	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	synonym for O. artemisiae-campestris; added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Orobanche maritima	Not Assessed	Formerly RDB	-	No		formerly considered to be either 'rare' (100 points) or 'scarce' (50 points); now regarded as taxonomically indistinct and included within O. minor
Orobanche picridis	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	synonym for <i>O. artemisiae-campestris</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Orobanche purpurea	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Orobanche rapum-genistae	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Orobanche reticulata	Near Threatened	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Orthilia secunda	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	current name: same as Pyrola secunda and Ramischia secunda; now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Otanthus maritimus	Extinct	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Oxytropis campestris	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Oxytropis halleri	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Paeonia mascula	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Papaver argemone	Vulnerable	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Parapholis incurva	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Parentucellia viscosa	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Pedicularis sylvatica subsp. hibernica	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Persicaria laxiflora	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for Persicaria mitis
Persicaria minor	Vulnerable	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	current name: same as <i>Polygonum minus</i> ; now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Persicaria mitis	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as P. laxiflora & Polygonum mite
Petrorhagia nanteuilii	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Petrorhagia prolifera	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Petroselinum segetum	Least Concern	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	included in RDB ed. 2 in square brackets on grounds that threatened in Europe; listed in 1989 guidelines under criterion 3.5 as a non-endemic species threatened in Europe for which the best site in each Area of Search could be selected as SSSI - so, despite being a 'NO' species, there may be sites notified for this species in its own right
Peucedanum officinale	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Peucedanum ostruthium	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Peucedanum palustre	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-

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Phleum alpinum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Phleum phleoides	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Phyllodoce caerulea	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Physospermum cornubiense	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Phyteuma orbiculare	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as P. tenerum
Phyteuma spicatum	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1992
Phyteuma tenerum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for <i>P. orbiculare</i>
Pilosella flagellaris subsp. bicapitata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Pilosella peleteriana	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Pilosella peleteriana subsp. peleteriana	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Pilosella peleteriana subsp. subpeleteriana	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Pilosella peleteriana subsp. tenuiscapa	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Pilularia globulifera	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	listed in 1989 guidelines under criterion 3.5 as a non- endemic species threatened in Europe for which the best site in each Area of Search could be selected as SSSI - so there may be sites notified for this species in its own right
Pinguicula alpina	Extinct	Rare	-	Yes	100	Inexplicably omitted from Red List
Pinus sylvestris	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if native
Pinus sylvestris var. scotica	Not Assessed	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	taxonomically distinct, but only at level of var.
Platanthera bifolia	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	listed in 1989 guidelines under criterion 3.6 as example of a declining species for which SSSIs holding "particularly large populations" could be notified - if SSSI was notified for this species in its own right, it should be included under CSM
Platanthera chlorantha	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	listed in 1989 guidelines under criterion 3.6 as example of a declining species for which SSSIs holding "particularly large populations" could be notified - if SSSI was notified for this species in its own right, it should be included under CSM
Poa alpina	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Poa bulbosa	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Poa flexuosa	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Poa glauca	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Poa infirma	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Poa palustris	Neophyte	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	still 'scarce' but no longer regarded as a native taxon

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Polemonium caeruleum	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Polycarpon tetraphyllum	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Polygala amara	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for P. amarella
Polygala amarella	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: includes plants referred to <i>P. amara</i> & <i>P. austriaca</i>
Polygala austriaca	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for P. amarella
Polygonatum odoratum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Polygonatum verticillatum	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Polygonum boreale	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Polygonum dumetorum	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for Fallopia dumetorum
Polygonum maritimum	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Polygonum minus	Vulnerable	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	synonym for <i>Persicaria minor</i> ; now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Polygonum mite	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for Persicaria mitis
Polygonum oxyspermum subsp. raii	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Polygonum raii	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now <i>P. oxyspermum</i> subsp <i>raii</i> , and recorded from >100 10-km squares
Polypodium australe	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	synonym for <i>P. cambricum</i> . Now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Polypodium cambricum	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	current name: same as <i>P. australe</i> . Now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Polypodium interjectum	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Polypogon monspeliensis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Polystichum lonchitis	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Polystichum x bichnellii	Not Assessed	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	Included in 1989 Guidelines as Scarce, but excluded from current list as not a Red-listed hybrid
Potamogeton acutifolius	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Potamogeton acutifolius x berchtoldii	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x sudermanicus
Potamogeton alpinus x crispus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x olivaceus
Potamogeton berchtoldii x acutifolius	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x sudermanicus
Potamogeton coloratus	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Potamogeton coloratus x gramineus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x billupsii
Potamogeton compressus	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Potamogeton crispus x alpinus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x olivaceus

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Potamogeton crispus x praelongus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x undulatus
Potamogeton crispus x trichoides	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x bennettii
Potamogeton epihydrus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Potamogeton filiformis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Potamogeton friesii	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Potamogeton gramineus x coloratus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as <i>P. x billupsii</i>
Potamogeton lucens x natans	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x fluitans
Potamogeton natans x lucens	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x fluitans
Potamogeton natans x nodosus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as <i>P. x schreberi</i>
Potamogeton natans x polygonifolius	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x gessnacensis
Potamogeton nodosus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Potamogeton nodosus x natans	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x schreberi
Potamogeton pectinatus x vaginatus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x bottnicus
Potamogeton perfoliatus x praelongus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x cognatus
Potamogeton polygonifolius x natans	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x gessnacensis
Potamogeton praelongus	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Potamogeton praelongus x crispus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x undulatus
Potamogeton praelongus x perfoliatus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x cognatus
Potamogeton rutilus	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Potamogeton trichoides	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Potamogeton trichoides x crispus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x bennettii
Potamogeton vaginatus x pectinatus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. x bottnicus
Potamogeton x bennettii	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. trichoides x crispus
Potamogeton x billupsii	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. coloratus x gramineus
Potamogeton x bottnicus	Vulnerable	Rare	I	Yes	100	same as P. pectinatus x vaginatus
Potamogeton x cognatus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. praelongus x perfoliatus
Potamogeton x fluitans	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. natans x lucens
Potamogeton x gessnacensis	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. natans x polygonifolius
Potamogeton x olivaceus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. alpinus x crispus
Potamogeton x schreberi	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. natans x nodosus
Potamogeton x sudermanicus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. berchtoldii x acutifolius
Potamogeton x undulatus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as P. praelongus x crispus
Potentilla argentea	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Potentilla crantzii	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-

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Potentilla fruticosa	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Potentilla neumanniana	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as P. tabernaemontani
Potentilla rupestris	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Potentilla tabernaemontani	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for P. neumanniana
Primula elatior	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Primula farinosa	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Primula scotica	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Prunella laciniata	Neophyte	Rare	-	Yes	100	consult specialist: only include if SSSI originally notified for this species
Pseudorchis albida	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	current name: same as Leucorchis albida and Gymnadenia albida
Puccinellia capillaris	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for P. distans subsp borealis
Puccinellia distans subsp. borealis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as P. capillaris
Puccinellia fasciculata	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Puccinellia rupestris	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Pulicaria vulgaris	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Pulmonaria longifolia	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Pulmonaria obscura	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Pulsatilla vulgaris	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Pyrola media	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Pyrola minor	Least Concern	Not rare/scarce	-	No	-	listed in 1989 guidelines under criterion 3.6 as example of a declining species for which SSSIs holding "particularly large populations" could be notified - if SSSI was notified for this species in its own right, it should be included under CSM
Pyrola rotundifolia	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	subsp rotundifolia is Near Threatened
Pyrola rotundifolia subsp. maritima	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Pyrola rotundifolia subsp. rotundifolia	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Pyrola secunda	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	synonym for <i>Orthilia secunda</i> ; now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Pyrus cordata	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Radiola linoides	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Ramischia secunda	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	synonym for <i>Orthilia secunda</i> ; now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Ranunculus arvensis	Critically Endangered	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Ranunculus baudotii	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares

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Ranunculus flammula subsp. minimus	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Ranunculus flammula subsp. scoticus	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Ranunculus ophioglossifolius	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Ranunculus penicillatus subsp. penicillatus	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Ranunculus reptans	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Ranunculus tripartitus	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Raphanus maritimus	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Raphanus raphinastrum subsp. maritimus	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Rhinanthus angustifolius	Waiting List	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	current name: same as <i>R. serotinus</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Rhinanthus minor subsp. borealis	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rhinanthus minor subsp. calcareus	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rhinanthus minor subsp. lintonii	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rhinanthus minor subsp. monticola	Data Deficient	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Rhinanthus serotinus	Waiting List	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	synonym for R. angustifolius; added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Rhynchosinapis monensis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for Coincya monensis
Rhynchosinapis wrightii	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	synonym for Coincya wrightii; added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Rhynchospora fusca	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Ribes alpinum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if within native range
Ribes spicatum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Romulea columnae	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Rorippa amphibia x palustris	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as R. x erythrocaulis
Rorippa austriaca	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Rorippa islandica	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Rorippa palustris x amphibia	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as R. x erythrocaulis
Rorippa x erythrocaulis	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as R. palustris x amphibia
Rosa agrestis	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Rubus adenoleucus	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed in RDB 1999 as 'rare'; include if site originally notified for this species, otherwise consult specialist
Rubus andegavensis	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed in RDB 1999 as 'rare'; include if site originally notified for this species, otherwise consult specialist
Rubus aquarum	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus arcticus	Extinct	Rare	-	Yes	100	Inexplicably omitted from Red List
Rubus arrhenii	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed in RDB 1999 as 'rare'; include if site originally notified for this species, otherwise consult specialist

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Rubus briggsii	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus britannicus	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus bucknallii	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus castrensis	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus daltrii	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus dasycoccus	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus devoniensis	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus diversiarmatus	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus dobuniensis	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus durescens	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus errabundus	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Rubus herefordensis	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus hirsutissimus	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus hyposericeus	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus iodnephes	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus laxatifrons	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus leightonii	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Rubus longifrons	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus melanocladus	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus mercicus	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus murrayi	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Rubus obesifolius	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus patuliformis	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed in RDB 1999 as 'rare'; include if site originally notified for this species, otherwise consult specialist
Rubus permundus	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus pervalidus	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus pliocenicus	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus powellii	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus pseudoplinthostylus	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-

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Rubus putneiensis	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus regillus	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus rotundifolius	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus sagittarius	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus salteri	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus silurum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	on list of scarce microspecies in 1983 guidelines; include if site originally notified for this taxon, otherwise consult specialist
Rubus spadix	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus trelleckensis	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus tresidderi	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rubus wolley-dodii	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rumex acetosa subsp. hibernicus	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rumex alpinus	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Rumex aquaticus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Rumex crispus subsp. uliginosus	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Rumex maritimus	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Rumex palustris	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Rumex pseudoalpinus	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Rumex rupestris	Endangered	Scarce	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1992; also listed under EC Habitats & Species Directive Annexes II b and IV b, and under Bern Convention Appendix 1. Formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Ruppia cirrhosa	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as R. spiralis
Ruppia spiralis	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for R. cirrhosa
Sagina boydii	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	British record uncertain, circumstances of its discovery unclear; DNA evidence suggests only a form of <i>Sagina</i> <i>procumbens</i>
Sagina intermedia	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for S. nivalis
Sagina nivalis	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as S. intermedia
Sagina normaniana	Not Assessed	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	now regarded as a hybrid (x normaniana) and excluded from current list as not a Red-listed hybrid
Sagina saginoides	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Sagina x normaniana	Not Assessed	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	Included in 1989 Guidelines as Scarce, but excluded from current list as not a Red-listed hybrid
Sagittaria rigida	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon

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Salicornia fragilis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Salicornia nitens	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Salicornia obscura	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Salicornia perennis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for Sarcocornia perennis
Salicornia pusilla	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Salix arbuscula	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Salix caprea subsp. sphacelata	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Salix lanata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Salix lapponum	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Salix myrsinifolia	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Salix myrsinites	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Salix nigricans	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Salix reticulata	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Salsola kali	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	native subspecies (kali) only
Salsola kali subsp. kali	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Salvia pratensis	Near Threatened	Scarce	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1992. Formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Sarcocornia perennis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as <i>Salicornia perennis</i> & <i>Arthrocmemum perenne</i>
Saxifraga cernua	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Saxifraga cespitosa	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Saxifraga hirculus	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1992; also listed under EC Habitats & Species Directive Annexes II b and IV b, and under Bern Convention Appendix 1
Saxifraga hypnoides	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Saxifraga nivalis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Saxifraga rivularis	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Saxifraga rosacea	Extinct in the Wild	Rare	-	Yes	100	subsp <i>rosacea</i>
Saxifraga rosacea subsp. rosacea	Extinct in the Wild	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Scandix pecten-veneris	Critically Endangered	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Scheuchzeria palustris	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Schoenoplectus lacustris x triqueter	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as S. x carinatus
Schoenoplectus pungens	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	possibly native in CI, but introduced in Lancs
Schoenoplectus tabernaemontani x triqueter	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as S. x kuekenthalianus

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Schoenoplectus triqueter	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	current name: same as <i>Scirpus triquetrus</i> and <i>Scirpus triqueter</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Schoenoplectus triqueter x lacustris	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as S. x carinatus
Schoenoplectus triqueter x tabernaemontani	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as S. x kuekenthalianus
Schoenoplectus x carinatus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as S. lacustris x triqueter
Schoenoplectus x kuekenthalianus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as S. tabernaemontani x triqueter
Schoenus ferrugineus	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Scilla autumnalis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Scirpoides holoschoenus	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as <i>Holoschoenus vulgaris</i> and <i>Scirpus holoschoenus</i>
Scirpus holoschoenus	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for Scirpoides holoschoenus
Scirpus hudsonianus	Extinct	Rare	-	Yes	100	single locality, became extinct in early 19th century
Scirpus lacustris x triquetrus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as Schoenoplectus x carinatus
Scirpus pungens	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	possibly native in CI, but introduced in Lancs
Scirpus tabernaemontani x triquetrus	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as Schoenoplectus x kuekenthalianus
Scirpus triqueter	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	synonym for Schoenoplectus triqueter; added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Scirpus triquetrus	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	synonym for <i>Schoenoplectus triqueter</i> ; added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Scirpus triquetrus x lacustris	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as Schoenoplectus x carinatus
Scirpus triquetrus x tabernaemontani	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as Schoenoplectus x kuekenthalianus
Scleranthus annuus	Endangered	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Scleranthus annuus subsp. annuus	Endangered	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Scleranthus annuus subsp. polycarpos	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Scleranthus perennis	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	either subspecies. Added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Scleranthus perennis subsp. perennis	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Scleranthus perennis subsp. prostratus	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Scorzonera humilis	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Scrophularia scorodonia	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Scrophularia umbrosa	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Sedum forsterianum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Sedum villosum	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Selinum carvifolia	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Senecio cambrensis	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-

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Senecio congestus	Extinct	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for Tephroseris palustris
Senecio eboracensis	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	a new taxon, arisen through hybridisation. Now (Feb 2006) reassessed for Red List as 'Extinct in the Wild'
Senecio integrifolius	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for Tephroseris integrifolia
Senecio paludosus	Critically Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Serapias parviflora	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Seseli libanotis	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Sesleria albicans	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for S. caerulea
Sesleria caerulea	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as S. albicans
Sibbaldia procumbens	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Sibthorpia europaea	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Silene conica	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Silene gallica	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Silene italica	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Silene noctiflora	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Silene nutans	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Silene otites	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Sisymbrium irio	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Sium latifolium	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Sonchus palustris	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Sorbus anglica	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Sorbus arranensis	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Sorbus bristoliensis	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Sorbus devoniensis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Sorbus domestica	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Sorbus eminens	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Sorbus intermedia	Neophyte	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	this taxon no longer recognised as a valid native species (though segregates within intermedia agg are)
Sorbus lancastriensis	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Sorbus leptophylla	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Sorbus leyana	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Sorbus minima	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Sorbus porrigentiformis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-

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Sorbus pseudofennica	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Sorbus pseudomeinichii	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	Newly described taxon (Watsonia 26: 9-14 [2006]) not included in 2005 Red List but assessed as Critically Endangered under IUCN Threat Criteria
Sorbus rupicola	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Sorbus subcuneata	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Sorbus vexans	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Sorbus whiteana	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	Newly described taxon (Watsonia 26: 1-7 [2006]) not included in 2005 Red List but assessed as Endangered under IUCN Threat Criteria
Sorbus wilmottiana	Critically Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Spartina alterniflora	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Spartina maritima	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Spergula arvensis	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Spergularia bocconei	Neophyte	Rare	-	Yes	100	consult specialist before including as part of assemblage
Spiranthes aestivalis	Extinct	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Spiranthes romanzoffiana	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Spiranthes spiralis	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Stachys alpina	Waiting List	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Stachys arvensis	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Stachys germanica	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Stellaria nemorum subsp. montana	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Stellaria palustris	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Stratiotes aloides	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if within native range: if in doubt consult specialist
Suaeda fruticosa	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for S. vera
Suaeda vera	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as S. fruticosa
Subularia aquatica	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Taraxacum acutum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed in RDB 1999 as 'rare'; include if site originally notified for this species, otherwise consult specialist (in < 15 10-km squares in BSBI Taraxacum handbook)
Taraxacum akteum	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Taraxacum beeftinkii	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Taraxacum breconense	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-

Taxon	Category	Rare/scarce	Sch. 8	Include?	New Scores	Notes
Taraxacum cenabense	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Taraxacum cherwellense	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed in RDB 1999 as 'rare'; include if site originally notified for this species, otherwise consult specialist (in < 15 10-km squares in BSBI Taraxacum handbook)
Taraxacum clovense	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Taraxacum cymbifolium	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Taraxacum geirhildae	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Taraxacum glaucinum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed in RDB 1999 as 'rare'; include if site originally notified for this species, otherwise consult specialist. Not listed in BSBI Taraxacum Handbook
Taraxacum gotlandicum	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Taraxacum hirsutissimum	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Taraxacum hygrophilum	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Taraxacum margettsii	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Taraxacum nietoi	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Taraxacum pseudonordstedtii	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Taraxacum scanicum	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed in RDB 1999 as 'rare'; include if site originally notified for this species, otherwise consult specialist (in < 15 10-km squares in BSBI Taraxacum handbook)
Taraxacum serpenticola	Candidate Microspecies	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Taraxacum tanylepis	Not Assessed	Not Assessed	-	No	-	listed in RDB 1999 as 'rare'; include if site originally notified for this species, otherwise consult specialist (in < 15 10-km squares in BSBI Taraxacum handbook)
Taraxacum xiphoideum	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Teesdalia nudicaulis	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Tephroseris integrifolia	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as <i>Senecio integrifolius</i> . Only subsp integrifolius in England
Tephroseris integrifolia subsp. integrifolia	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Tephroseris integrifolia subsp. maritima	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1998
Tephroseris palustris	Extinct	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as Senecio congestus
Tetragonolobus maritimus	Neophyte	Rare	-	Yes	100	consult specialist before including as part of assemblage
Teucrium botrys	Neophyte	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Teucrium chamaedrys	Waiting List	Rare	-	Yes	100	consult specialist: only include where possibly native
Teucrium scordium	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Thelypteris palustris	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as T. thelypteroides

Taxon	Category	Rare/scarce	Sch. 8	Include?	New Scores	Notes
Thelypteris robertiana	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for Gymnocarpium robertianum
Thelypteris thelypteroides	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for T. palustris
Thesium humifusum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Thlaspi alpestre	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for T. caerulescens
Thlaspi caerulescens	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as T. alpestre
Thlaspi perfoliatum	Vulnerable	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1992
Thymus serpyllum	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Tilia platyphyllos	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	Include only if within native range
Tofieldia pusilla	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Tordylium maximum	Neophyte	Rare	-	Yes	100	consult specialist before including as part of assemblage
Torilis arvensis	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Trichomanes speciosum	Least Concern	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	Sporophyte, not gametophyte; this taxon also listed under Habitats & Species Directive Annexes II b and IV b, and under Bern Convention Appendix 1 and on Sch. 8 from 1981 onwards
Trichophorum alpinum	Extinct	Rare	-	Yes	100	inexplicably omitted from Red List
Trichophorum cespitosum subsp. cespitosum	Data Deficient	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Trifolium bocconei	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Trifolium glomeratum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Trifolium incarnatum subsp. molinerii	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	current name: same as <i>T. molinerii</i> - native records only (Lizard & S. Devon)
Trifolium molinerii	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonym for <i>T. incarnatum</i> subsp <i>molinerii</i> ; include native records only (Lizard & S. Devon)
Trifolium occidentale	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Trifolium ochroleucon	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Trifolium ornithopodioides	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Trifolium squamosum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Trifolium stellatum	Neophyte	Formerly RDB	-	No	-	not a native taxon
Trifolium strictum	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Trifolium suffocatum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Trinia glauca	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Tuberaria guttata	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	synonymous with T. guttata subsp breweri
Tuberaria guttata subsp. breweri	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as full species: supposedly endemic subtaxon

Taxon	Category	Rare/scarce	Sch. 8	Include?	New Scores	Notes
Turritis glabra	Endangered	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for <i>Arabis glabra</i> . Formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Utricularia intermedia sensu stricto	Data Deficient	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Utricularia ochroleuca	Data Deficient	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Utricularia stygia	Data Deficient	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Vaccinium microcarpum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Valerianella carinata	Least Concern	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Valerianella dentata	Endangered	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Valerianella eriocarpa	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	In Atlas as neophyte: now reassessed as probably native
Valerianella rimosa	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Verbascum lychnitis	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if within native range
Verbascum pulverulentum	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Verbascum virgatum	Neophyte	Formerly scarce	-	No	-	no longer regarded as native in SW England, and recorded as alien from >100 10-km squares
Veronica alpina	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Veronica fruticans	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	formerly RDB/Rare, scoring 100 points under 1989 and earlier guidelines
Veronica praecox	Neophyte	Rare	-	Yes	100	consult specialist before including as part of assemblage
Veronica serpyllifolia subsp. humifusa	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Veronica spicata	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	2 subspp: subsp <i>spicata</i> is Sch. 8 and Rare, subsp <i>hybrida</i> is Scarce
Veronica spicata subsp. hybrida	Waiting List	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Veronica spicata subsp. spicata	Waiting List	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Veronica triphyllos	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1988
Veronica verna	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Vicia bithynica	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if long-established or considered native at site
Vicia lutea	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	include only if long-established or considered native at site
Vicia orobus	Near Threatened	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Vicia parviflora	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as V. tenuissima
Vicia tenuissima	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for V. parviflora
Viola canina	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Viola canina subsp. canina	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-

Taxon	Category	Rare/scarce	Sch. 8	Include?	New Scores	Notes
Viola canina subsp. montana	Endangered	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Viola curtisii	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for V. tricolor subsp curtisii
Viola kitaibeliana	Near Threatened	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Viola lactea	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Viola palustris subsp. juressi	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Viola persicifolia	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	current name: same as V. stagnina; added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Viola riviniana x rupestris	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as V. x burnatii
Viola rupestris	Least Concern	Rare	-	Yes	100	-
Viola rupestris x riviniana	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as V. x burnatii
Viola stagnina	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	synonym for V. persicifolia; added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Viola tricolor	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Viola tricolor subsp. curtisii	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as V. curtisii
Viola tricolor subsp. tricolour	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Viola x burnatii	Vulnerable	Rare	-	Yes	100	same as V. rupestris x riviniana
Vulpia ambigua	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for V. ciliata subsp ambigua
Vulpia ciliata subsp. ambigua	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as V. ambigua
Vulpia fasciculata	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as V. membranacea
Vulpia membranacea	Least Concern	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for V. fasciculata
Vulpia unilateralis	Waiting List	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as Nardurus maritimus
Wahlenbergia hederacea	Near Threatened	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	-
Wolffia arrhiza	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	-
Woodsia alpina	Near Threatened	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Woodsia ilvensis	Endangered	Rare	Sch. 8	Yes	200	added to Sch. 8 in 1981
Xanthophthalmum segetum	Vulnerable	Not rare/scarce	-	[No]	-	new name (Sell & Murrell 2006) for <i>Chrysanthemum</i> segetum
Zostera angustifolia	Near Threatened	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	Now included within Z. marina and, as such, in >100 10-km squares
Zostera hornemanniana	Near Threatened	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	synonym for Z. angustifolia; now included within Z. marina and, as such, in >100 10-km squares
Zostera marina	Near Threatened	Formerly scarce	-	[No]	-	Includes Z. angustifolia/Z. hornemanniana; used to be 'scarce' but now recorded from >100 10-km squares
Zostera noltei	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	current name: same as Z. noltii
Zostera noltii	Vulnerable	Scarce	-	Yes	50	synonym for Z. noltei

### Annex 3

# • Extracts from *Selection of Biological SSSI: Guidelines 1979* (PPG 2/79), section C1 - <u>plants</u>

#### C Species sites

[The following localities should be considered for selection as SSSI...]

#### C1 (a) Localities of endangered plant species

All localities of species listed in Schedule 2 of the Conservation of Wild Creatures and Wild Plants Act 1975... These are Red Data Book species requiring special protection.

#### C1 (b) Localities with outstanding assemblages of plants

All localities with an index of 200 or more. [Plant species occurring in 15 or less 10-km squares score 100 (Red Data Book species), those occurring in 16-30 10-km squares score 50, those occurring in  $31-\underline{60}$  10-km squares score  $40.]^8$ 

#### C1 (c) Localities of rare plants requiring special protection

Criterion C1(b) ensures that all localities containing 2 or more Red Data Book species... will be notified, and it will also cover some sites where one Red Data Book species is present [when in the company of two or more Nationally Scarce species]. There are special circumstances when localities of one Red Data Book species not covered by C1 (a), C1 (b) or other criteria should also be notified, and so <u>all</u> Red Data Book localities should be considered as candidate sites.

Sites of British endemics, sites of species undergoing rapid declines due to human activities, and sites of species with less than 6 localities in Britain should be given special attention and will often require notification...

#### • Extracts from *Revised Policy Guidelines on the Selection of Biological* SSSIs 1983, section C1 - <u>plants</u>

#### C Species sites

[The following localities should be considered for selection as SSSI...]

#### C1 (a) Localities of endangered plant species

All localities of species listed in Schedule 8... These are Red Data Book species (ie species occurring in 15 or fewer 10-km squares) which require special protection.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Note the 10-km square ceiling threshold for species to be included as part of an 'outstanding assemblage' was 60 squares, not 100 as under the 1983 and 1989 guidelines.

#### C1 (b) Localities with outstanding assemblages of plants

All localities with an index of 200 or more. [Plant species occurring in 15 or less 10-km squares score 100 (Red Data Book species), those occurring in 16-30 10-km squares score 50, those occurring in 31-<u>100</u> 10-km squares score 40.]

#### C1 (c) Localities of rare plants requiring special protection

... There are special circumstances when localities of one Red Data Book species... should also be notified, and so <u>all</u> Red Data Book localities should be considered as candidate sites.

Sites of British endemics, sites of species undergoing rapid declines due to human activities, and sites of species with less than 6 localities in Britain should be given special attention and will often require notification.

Localities of notable species at the edge of their range can be of special interest and may be notified **after discussion with the relevant CST specialist**.

#### • Extracts from *Guidelines for selection of Biological SSSIs (1989)*, Chapter 11 (Vascular Plants), section 3 – <u>site selection requirements</u>

There should be a presumption for selecting vascular plant sites on the following grounds.

#### 3.1 Schedule 8 species<sup>9</sup>

All sites with viable populations should be selected...

#### 3.2 **Red Data Book species**

All RDB species' localities should be regarded as candidate sites.

**One** RDB species qualifies a site for selection if it has:

- 3.2.1 *the largest population... in Great Britain;*
- 3.2.2 *a good population... on a site which is itself a good example of a habitat type;*
- 3.2.3 a good population in an Area of Search<sup>10</sup> supporting a substantial proportion of localities for the species [in question];
- 3.2.4 a good population on the edge of the species' geographical range; or
- 3.2.5 the only occurrence in the particular Area of Search.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The term 'species' in the context of these *Guidelines* should be interpreted as meaning *taxon*, in that it can also refer to other taxonomic entities, eg subspecies or species aggregates; current convention is that eligible taxa are restricted to those at the level of subspecies or above, ie varieties are excluded from consideration. This appears to have also been the case with earlier (1979/83) guidelines.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Area of Search refers to the counties/districts or vice-counties used for determining the geographical areas within which candidate sites are assessed for SSSI notification purposes (see Figure 2 in the *Guidelines*).

Judgement of a 'good population' should be made in discussion with the... rare plants specialist.

#### 3.3 Combination of species occurring in 1-100 10-km squares

A simple scoring procedure is used to assess combinations of species within the two classes, nationally rare and nationally scarce... Schedule 8 species score 200. Species occurring in 1-15 10-km squares (other than Sch. 8 species) score 100. Species occurring in 16-100 10-km squares score 50. A total score of 200 or more qualifies a site for selection. Presence of two RDB species, for example, thus qualifies a site for selection.

#### 3.4 Endemic species

The largest populations... in each Area of Search should be selected, when practicable.

#### 3.5 Non-endemic species threatened in Europe

*These number 23 species, of which 17 are RDB species...<sup>11</sup> The best population of each species in every Area of Search in which it occurs as a native should be selected.* 

#### **3.6** Declining species and species at the edge of their range

If an Area of Search contains species which are known to have declined markedly within Britain but are not yet... nationally rare or nationally scarce..., particularly large populations may be selected, in consultation with the... rare plants specialist.<sup>12</sup>

In addition, any particularly large population of a species with restricted distribution at the edge of its range... may be selected.

*Regionally rare species are of great concern to local botanists, and at least one locality per relevant Area of Search should be selected.*<sup>13</sup>

#### 3.7 Floristic assemblages

[Most] localities with particularly good species lists will be selected either for habitat importance or for presence of rare or scarce species. There are, nevertheless, a limited number of places with a rich flora which will not qualify under these other attributes but which have a valid claim for selection. Assessment is difficult..., but if a locality has 75% or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> All the species listed under this selection criterion in the *Guidelines* were Schedule 8, Nationally Rare or Nationally Scarce at the time of writing (1989), with the exception of *Petroselinum segetum*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Examples under this criterion given in the *Guidelines* were *Eriophorum latifolium*, *Orchis* [now*Anacamptis*] *morio*, *Platanthera bifolia*, *P. chlorantha* and *Pyrola minor*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Under the *Guidelines*, a regionally rare species was defined as one with 15 or fewer localities in a Nature Conservancy Council region. Regional structures have long since changed, but the spirit of the criterion is still valid, being designed to capture within the SSSI series important populations of regionally rare taxa, eg *Vaccinium uliginosum* in S.W. England, *Juncus maritimus* in N.E. England, *Oenanthe pimpinelloides* in E. Anglia, *Rubia peregrina* in S.E. England, etc. In many cases these will be species that are neither Nationally Rare/Scarce nor on the new *Red Data List* (2005).

more of the total vascular plant species list for a community type of the NVC it should qualify for selection.<sup>14</sup>

#### 3.8 Microspecies and hybrids

...all microspecies in genera such as Rubus, Hieracium, Taraxacum, Euphrasia and Salicornia should be represented on at least one SSSI somewhere in Britain.

...the same should apply to recognised, regularly occurring hybrids of native species.

*The... rare plant specialist will seek to ensure this representation, in consultation with external specialists in the particular plant groups.*<sup>15</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Very few, if any, sites were ever selected for notification under para 3.7, and it was never widely accepted as a particularly useful criterion.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Coverage of these groups falls way behind that for other vascular plant taxa. The *Red Data List* (2005) does, however, indicate for the first time the taxa within these groups which are currently thought to be threatened in Britain; and this may provide a useful basis for deciding which microspecies and hybrids are high priorities for coverage within the SSSI series.

### Annex 4

Defining vascular plant species interest features (especially rare/scarce vascular plant assemblages) on SSSIs – sources of information – a note for  $\mathbf{COs}^{16}$ 

- SSSI citation this should make it clear whether your site contains any rare/scarce species, and whether these constitute a legitimate 'interest feature' of the site, ie whether, as an assemblage, they were one of the reasons for the original notification of the site as SSSI. The site description will also, hopefully, provide you with the names of the rare/scarce species known to occur on the SSSI at the time of notification. However, bear in mind that this list, for all sorts of reasons, will often be incomplete. For reasons of confidentiality, Schedule 8 and RDB species may not be mentioned by name.
- **Criteria sheet** the citation will often only give the names of a *selection* of the more interesting species, but the **criteria sheet** should list any species qualifying as interest features in their own right or as part of a 'scoring combination' (= assemblage). For an assemblage there should also be a *score* for it to be identified as a legitimate interest feature it should score 200+ points under the scoring system described in the relevant SSSI selection guidelines. You now need to check that the species given on the criteria sheet are correct and that they still appear on the latest rare/scarce lists (the master-spreadsheet does this for you automatically). You also need to ascertain, as best you can, whether they still occur on the site, and whether there are any rare/scarce species missing from the criteria sheet that have been recorded from the SSSI, either before notification or as a result of more recent surveys<sup>17</sup>. In order to produce an up-to-date list of the rare/scarce species on your site you will need to investigate a range of further sources, as follows...
- English Nature site files, site reports, survey/monitoring data, etc. These are always worth checking, as there are sometimes unpublished records lurking on file that may be of considerable value.
- Vascular Plants Database (VPD), on the NBN gateway this is the database from which the maps in the *New Atlas of the British & Irish Flora* were prepared, and is certainly worth exploring now that it's up and running on the NBN gateway. This database may well throw up a number of additional records of rare/scarce species, either on the SSSI or in the 1-km, 2-km or 10-km squares that overlap with it. The usefulness of the VPD is determined to some extent by the level of access one has:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> This is an amended/updated version of a paper drafted for the CSM workshop held by English Nature's Botanical Unit and Botanical Network, held at Slapton Ley Field Centre, Devon, in September 2004.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Note, however, that any additional qualifying species to be added to the 'scoring combination' should be checked to ensure that they would also have been 'scoring species' at the time the SSSI was notified (and using the scoring system in operation at that time). In reality, most species shown as Nationally Scarce on the master-spreadsheet would also have been Nationally Scarce (or possibly Nationally Rare) at the time of notification. Proposed additions to an assemblage notified under the 1979 guidelines, however, would need careful checking as the 'ceiling threshold' for inclusion was different to that defined in later guidelines (60 rather than 100 10-km squares – see Appendix 1). In cases of doubt, please consult with the relevant botanical specialist or SST.

general access for EN staff is set at 1-km square resolution or above, but individuals can arrange for full access where there is a clear need for this: this will enable you to see, for a particular 10-km or 1-km square record, whether more precise data (eg 6-fig grid references) underlies it.

- Other data sets on the NBN gateway including those accessible there from local records centres. Also, you may have arrangements for direct access to botanical data held by your local records centre. This is a valuable source of records, but do bear in mind that such data sets may include some doubtful or unverified records. If in any doubt, get the records checked, either by EN botanists, or by the local BSBI recorder (see below).
- Threatened Plants Database administered by BSBI, covering all RDB and selected Nationally Scarce species. EN botanical specialists can provide print-outs (or excel tables) for particular species or vice-counties from the 2002 version of the TPDB; for more recent data, please consult with the botanists to discuss whether a formal approach to BSBI's TPDB administrator would be worthwhile.
- **Plantlife reports and species dossiers** particularly worth looking at if you know, or suspect, that there may be records for species included in Plantlife's *Back from the Brink/Action for Plants* programme. A full list of species covered is available via the Plantlife website.
- **County Floras, rare species inventories, Red Data Books, etc.** always worth a look, and best to consult them *before* you approach your local BSBI recorder. You don't want to be asking your recorder for information that she/he has already published! Many counties now have 'county rare plant registers', and these are an absolute mine of information. For an up-to-date position on these registers you will need to consult the BSBI website, or approach your local vice-county recorder.
- **Records published in local journals** keep an eye out for any records published in local natural history journals and magazines, and make a note of them on the site file (and on the spreadsheet) as you come across them.
- **BSBI vice-county recorder** your first port of call once you've collated all the information held elsewhere. It is very important to cultivate good working relationships with your local recorders, and they will almost certainly have a wealth of relevant data, including records not readily available from other sources. They can direct you to other local botanists or recording groups (eg rare plants groups) who may be more familiar with the SSSI you are working on, and they will usually be able to give you an authoritative view on the validity or otherwise of 'doubtful' records from other sources.

But please bear in mind that your BSBI recorders are busy people, that field botany is often their hobby and only rarely their job! Try to avoid asking them for information that you could easily be getting from elsewhere, and always let them have full details of all the records you already have – if you give *them* records they will be much more likely to give *you* records in return. In this way, hopefully, your local recorders will come to see that this is very much a "two-way street", that there's something in it for them as well as for you, and some (especially where there's a recording *group*) may

even be keen to get actively involved with the monitoring of rare/scarce species on your SSSIs. Thus, the local recorder's involvement at this stage in 'getting the list right' may represent an important first step in establishing a long and mutually rewarding partnership between you (the local face of English Nature) and the botanists active on your 'patch'.



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### A tool for assessing the current conservation status of vascular plants on SSSIs in England: May 2006

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### Introduction

English Nature's Botanical Unit is frequently contacted by Area Team staff needing to know the current conservation status of vascular plant species. Often, they are trying to ascertain – in light of improved knowledge of species on SSSIs and the changing conservation status assigned to those species – which taxa comprise (or contribute to) the vascular plant 'interest features' on SSSIs.

Lists of Schedule 8, Nationally Rare (RDB) and Nationally Scarce species have been subject to numerous revisions over the last 20 years – culminating in May 2005 with the publication of a new national (GB) *Red List*. There is now a need for a single master-list, a 'one-stop shop' where Area Team staff can go to find out the conservation status of vascular plants in England, along with detailed guidance on how to use such information when preparing Conservation Objectives and carrying out Common Standards Monitoring of vascular plant Notified Features on SSSIs.

### What was done

We carried out a comprehensive review of all the recent lists and information sources, with the aim of producing a single spreadsheet showing the current conservation status of all vascular plant species (or subspecies) listed – either now or at some time in the past – as Nationally Rare/Red Data Book, Nationally Scarce, Schedule 8, or threatened or 'Near Threatened' in the 2005 *Red List.* In consultation with colleagues in Sites and Surveillance Team, we also prepared supplementary guidance for use by Area Team staff when assessing the vascular plant Notified Features on SSSIs.

### **Results and conclusions**

We produced a detailed guidance note, a flow chart and a semi-automated vascular plant masterspreadsheet (the latter also included at the back of the report as a CD). The flow chart and spreadsheet can be applied to all SSSIs, **whether or not they were originally notified for a vascular plant species interest**, as well as to pSSSIs where staff are assessing potential vascular plant interest features. The master-spreadsheet includes all current (and former) Schedule 8, Nationally Rare (RDB) and Nationally Scarce species/subspecies, plus all taxa listed in the 2005 *Red List* as **Extinct**, **Critically Endangered**, **Endangered**, **Vulnerable**, **Near Threatened** and **Data Deficient**. The list includes a large number of Red-listed hybrids and microspecies, plus a few rare or threatened taxa which came to our attention after publication of the *Red List*. Taxa are listed under both their currently accepted names and their synonyms, so plants can be looked up under their 'old' names – particularly useful when one is dealing with old species lists, citations, etc.

The master-list sits behind – and is linked to – a 'species entry' form which allows species occurring on a site to be selected and listed, with the current conservation status being extracted automatically from the master-list as each species name is entered.

### **English Nature's viewpoint**

English Nature believes it is important that staff should have easy access to an up-to-date list showing the national conservation status of vascular plants, to be used when assessing botanical Notified Features on SSSIs, and when preparing Conservation Objectives and carrying out Common Standards Monitoring of such features. The master-spreadsheet presented in this ENRR provides us with just such a list.

It is recognised that future reviews of the *Red List* and revision of Nationally Rare and Nationally Scarce lists, and taxonomic and name changes, will require the master-spreadsheet to be regularly updated. The present list was prepared in May 2006 and all status assessments were still 'current' at time of publication (September 2006).

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