



Local Wildlife Site Report

Site Code: SE25-01**Site Name:** SPRINGHILL FARM**Site Information**

SITE AREA: 9.03 Hectares
SURVEY DATE: 31/05/2000
DESIGNATION: **SINC (31/05/2000 onwards)**

Location Information

GRIDREF: SE287515
DISTRICT / BOROUGH: Harrogate
PARISH: North Rigton
OWNER/CONTACT: Withheld
NATURAL AREA: Pennine Dales Fringe

Topography

GEOLOGY
SOIL TYPE Stagnogley Soils, Till from Palaeozoic & Mesozoic sandstone & shale
ADJACENT LAND USE Agricultural
ASPECT South West

Description/evaluation

HABITATS: (AREA IN HA) A111 Woodland: broadleaved, semi-natural (5.62), B5 Marsh/marshy grassland (2.59), G2 Running water (0.45), C12 Bracken: scattered (0.06), J4 Bare ground (0.29)

NVC: W10 Quercus robur-Pteridium aquilinum-Rubus fruticosus woodland, MG10 Holcus lanatus-Juncus effusus rush-pasture, M23 Juncus effusus/acutiflorus-Galium palustre rush-pasture

SITE DESCRIPTION:

The site is composed of oak dominant woodland on the slopes and marshy grassland on the flat ground below, alongside the Crimple Beck. There appears to be little regeneration of tree species, probably due to rabbit/hare grazing, and there is little understorey on the west side of the beck. On the east side, holly (*Ilex aquifolium*) is abundant with some hazel (*Corylus avellana*) and hawthorn (*Crataegus monogyna*). The ground flora on both sides is dominated by *Holcus* species, with bluebell (*Hyacinthoides non-scripta*) abundant in places, and greater stitchwort (*Stellaria holostea*) frequent. Alder (*Alnus glutinosa*) is frequent at the lower edges. *Holcus* is also abundant in the grassland in the drier areas, whereas the wetter parts are dominated by soft rush (*Juncus effusus*) and creeping buttercup (*Ranunculus repens*). The soil is heavy clay. The site is notable for the abundance of wood stitchwort (*Stellaria nemorum*), mostly a northern plant, and the garden escape *Claytonia sibirica* (?). There was an abundance of insects of various kinds.

Springhill Farm - 31/05/2000**EVALUATION:**

Qualifies -

Wd1 listed as ancient in AWI ; Wd3c score 8/12 ; Gr2(n) score 8/12 ; Mh2 score 8/6

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Species Report

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LATIN NAME	ENGLISH NAME	TAXONOMIC GROUP	DATES	RECORDERS	DESIGNATIONS
Anas platyrhynchos	Mallard	Bird	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Columba palumbus	Common Wood Pigeon	Bird	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Corvus monedula	Eurasian Jackdaw	Bird	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Gallinula chloropus	Common Moorhen	Bird	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Troglodytes troglodytes	Winter Wren	Bird	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Athyrium filix-femina	Lady-fern	Fern	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 14 Wd(wet) ×1.0 NYCC Table 17 Fe(rich)
Dryopteris dilatata	Broad Buckler-fern	Fern	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Dryopteris filix-mas	Male-fern	Fern	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Pteridium aquilinum	Bracken	Fern	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Acer pseudoplatanus	Sycamore	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Ajuga reptans	Bugle	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 6 Gr(n)
Alliaria petiolata	Garlic Mustard	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Allium ursinum	Ramsons	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 12 Wd(n-c) ×1.0 NYCC Table 14 Wd(wet)
Alopecurus geniculatus	Marsh Foxtail	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 22 Sw(Draw down-inundation veg)
Alopecurus pratensis	Meadow Foxtail	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Anemone nemorosa	Wood Anemone	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 12 Wd(n-c) ×1.0 NYCC Table 13 Wd(a) ×1.0 NYCC Table 14 Wd(wet)

					×1.0 NYCC Table 6 Gr(n) ×1.0 NYCC Table 8 Gr(a)
<i>Angelica sylvestris</i>	Wild Angelica	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 14 Wd(wet) ×1.0 NYCC Table 17 Fe(rich)
<i>Anthoxanthum odoratum</i>	Sweet Vernal-grass	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 6 Gr(n)
<i>Arctium minus</i>	Lesser Burdock	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Betula pubescens</i>	Downy Birch	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Cardamine amara</i>	Large Bitter-cress	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 14 Wd(wet)
<i>Cardamine flexuosa</i>	Wavy Bitter-cress	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Cardamine pratensis</i>	Cuckooflower	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 6 Gr(n)
<i>Cerastium fontanum</i>	Common Mouse-ear	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Chrysosplenium oppositifolium</i>	Opposite-leaved Golden-saxifrage	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 12 Wd(n-c) ×1.0 NYCC Table 13 Wd(a) ×1.0 NYCC Table 14 Wd(wet)
<i>Circaea lutetiana</i>	Enchanter's-nightshade	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	Creeping Thistle	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Cirsium palustre</i>	Marsh Thistle	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Claytonia sibirica</i>	Pink Purslane	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Conopodium majus</i>	Pignut	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 6 Gr(n) ×1.0 NYCC Table 7 Gr(c) ×1.0 NYCC Table 8 Gr(a)
<i>Corylus avellana</i>	Hazel	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 13 Wd(a)
<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	Hawthorn	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Cruciata laevipes</i>	Crosswort	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Deschampsia cespitosa</i>	Tufted Hair-Grass	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	

<i>Digitalis purpurea</i>	Foxglove	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	Beech	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Filipendula ulmaria</i>	Meadowsweet	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 6 Gr(n)
<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>	Ash	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Galeopsis tetrahit</i>	Common Hemp-nettle	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Galium aparine</i>	Cleavers	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Galium palustre</i>	Marsh-bedstraw	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 18 Fe(poor) ×1.0 NYCC Table 6 Gr(n)
<i>Geranium robertianum</i>	Herb-Robert	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Geum urbanum</i>	Wood Avens	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Glechoma hederacea</i>	Ground-ivy	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Heracleum sphondylium</i>	Hogweed	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Holcus lanatus</i>	Yorkshire-fog	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Holcus mollis</i>	Creeping Soft-grass	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Hyacinthoides non-scripta</i>	Bluebell	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 12 Wd(n-c) ×1.0 NYCC Table 13 Wd(a)
<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>	Holly	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Impatiens glandulifera</i>	Indian Balsam	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Juncus effusus</i>	Soft-rush	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Lemna minor</i>	Common Duckweed	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
<i>Lonicera periclymenum</i>	Honeysuckle	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 13 Wd(a)
<i>Lotus pedunculatus</i>	Greater Bird's-foot-trefoil	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 17 Fe(rich) ×1.0 NYCC Table 6 Gr(n)

Lysimachia nemorum	Yellow Pimpernel	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 12 Wd(n-c) ×1.0 NYCC Table 13 Wd(a) ×1.0 NYCC Table 14 Wd(wet) ×1.0 NYCC Table 17 Fe(rich)
Malus sylvestris	Crab Apple	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Mentha aquatica	Water Mint	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 17 Fe(rich) ×1.0 NYCC Table 20 Sw(nutrient rich) ×1.0 NYCC Table 25 Fw1
Mercurialis perennis	Dog's Mercury	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 12 Wd(n-c) ×1.0 NYCC Table 14 Wd(wet)
Myosotis scorpioides	Water Forget-me-not	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 14 Wd(wet) ×1.0 NYCC Table 20 Sw(nutrient rich) ×1.0 NYCC Table 22 Sw(Draw down-inundation veg) ×1.0 NYCC Table 25 Fw1
Oxalis acetosella	Wood-sorrel	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 12 Wd(n-c) ×1.0 NYCC Table 13 Wd(a) ×1.0 NYCC Table 14 Wd(wet)
Plantago lanceolata	Ribwort Plantain	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Poa annua	Annual Meadow-grass	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Poa trivialis	Rough Meadow-grass	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Prunella vulgaris	Selfheal	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Quercus robur	Pedunculate Oak	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Ranunculus ficaria	Lesser Celandine	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 20 Sw(nutrient rich) ×1.0 NYCC Table 21 Sw(nutrient poor)
Ranunculus repens	Creeping Buttercup	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 20 Sw(nutrient rich) ×1.0 NYCC Table 21 Sw(nutrient poor) ×1.0 NYCC Table 22 Sw(Draw down-inundation veg)

Ribes uva-crispa	Gooseberry	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Rosa arvensis	Field-rose	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Rosa canina	Dog-rose	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Rubus fruticosus agg.	Bramble	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Rumex acetosa	Common Sorrel	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Rumex obtusifolius	Broad-leaved Dock	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Rumex sanguineus	Wood Dock	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Salix fragilis	Crack-willow	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Sambucus nigra	Elder	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Scrophularia nodosa	Common Figwort	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Senecio aquaticus	Marsh Ragwort	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Silene dioica	Red Campion	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Sorbus aucuparia	Rowan	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Stellaria alsine	Bog Stitchwort	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 14 Wd(wet) ×1.0 NYCC Table 18 Fe(poor)
Stellaria holostea	Greater Stitchwort	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Stellaria media	Common Chickweed	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Stellaria nemorum	Wood Stitchwort	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×2.0 NYCC Table 14 Wd(wet)
Symphytum grandiflorum	Creeping Comfrey	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Teucrium scorodonia	Wood Sage	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 13 Wd(a)
Ulmus glabra	Wych Elm	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Urtica dioica	Common Nettle	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	

Valeriana officinalis	Common Valerian	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 14 Wd(wet) ×1.0 NYCC Table 17 Fe(rich)
Veronica beccabunga	Brooklime	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 20 Sw(nutrient rich)
Veronica chamaedrys	Germander Speedwell	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Veronica montana	Wood Speedwell	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 12 Wd(n-c)
Veronica serpyllifolia	Thyme-leaved Speedwell	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Vicia sepium	Bush Vetch	Flowering Plant	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	×1.0 NYCC Table 30 Ar3
Equisetum arvense	Field Horsetail	Horsetail	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Anthocharis cardamines	Orange-tip	Insect - Butterfly	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Oryctolagus cuniculus	European Rabbit	Terrestrial Mammal	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	
Talpa europaea	European Mole	Terrestrial Mammal	31/05/2000	Phyl Abbott	

INDICATOR LIST	SCORE
NYCC Table 6 Gr(n)	8
NYCC Table 7 Gr(c)	1
NYCC Table 8 Gr(a)	2
NYCC Table 12 Wd(n-c)	8
NYCC Table 13 Wd(a)	8
NYCC Table 14 Wd(wet)	14
NYCC Table 17 Fe(rich)	6
NYCC Table 18 Fe(poor)	2
NYCC Table 20 Sw(nutrient rich)	5
NYCC Table 21 Sw(nutrient poor)	2
NYCC Table 22 Sw(Draw down-inundation veg)	3
NYCC Table 25 Fw1	2
NYCC Table 30 Ar3	1

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