

Appendix 10

| Survey Cover Sheet | | | |
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| Survey date/s | 14/11/2024 | Site name or location | Sevington Inland Border Facility, Ashford, Kent |
| Weather conditions | Dry, cloudy, slight wind | Project or development name | WIE20982 Sevington |
| Surveyor name | Sam Ready and Caitlin Page | On-site or off-site | On-site |
| Survey reference | | Reason for assessment (if not baseline condition survey) | |
| Notes | | | |
| No photos were taken on site due to it being an active inland border facility | | | |

| Condition Sheet: GRASSLAND Habitat Type (low distinctiveness) | | | |
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| UK Habitat Classification (UKHab) Habitat Type | | | |
| Grassland - Modified grassland | | | |
| On-site or off-site, site name and location | Onsite - Sevington IBF | Survey date and Surveyor name | 14/11/24 SR and CP |
| Limitations (if applicable) | No photos - active Site | Survey reference (if relating to a wider survey) | |
| Grid reference | TR 04022 40638 | Habitat parcel reference | G1 |
| Habitat Description | | | |
| Grassland - Modified grassland 1 (Central Viewing Grassland) scrub planting presente but not established Common dandelion <i>Taraxacum</i> sp. Ribwort plantain <i>Plantago lanceolata</i> Broadleaf plantain <i>Plantago major</i> Bristly Oxtongue <i>Helminthotheca echioides</i> Perennial rye-grass <i>Lolium perenne</i> Yorkshire fog <i>Holcus lanatus</i> Cut-leaved cranes-bill <i>Geranium dissectum</i> Common mouse-ear <i>Cerastium fontanum</i> Common ragwort <i>Jacobaea vulgaris</i> White clover <i>Trifolium repens</i> Creeping thistle <i>Cirsium arvense</i> Oxeye daisy <i>Leucanthemum vulgare</i> Yarrow <i>Achillea millefolium</i> SCRUB PLANTING Saplings with guards planted Hawthorn <i>Crataegus monogyna</i> Blackthorn <i>Prunus spinosa</i> Common buckthorn <i>Rhamnus cathartica</i> Field maple <i>Acer campestre</i> ukhab – UK Habitat Classification | | | |
| Condition Assessment Criteria | | Criterion passed (Yes or No) | Notes (such as justification) |
| A | There are 6-8 vascular plant species per m ² present, including at least 2 forbs (these may include those listed in Footnote 1). Note - this criterion is essential for achieving Moderate or Good condition. Where the vascular plant species present are characteristic of medium, high or very high distinctiveness grassland, or there are 9 or more of these characteristic species per m ² (excluding those listed in Footnote 1), please review the full UKHab description to assess whether the grassland should instead be classified as a higher distinctiveness grassland. Where a grassland is classed as medium, high, or very high distinctiveness, please use the relevant condition sheet. | Y | |
| B | Sward height is varied (at least 20% of the sward is less than 7 cm and at least 20% is more than 7 cm) creating microclimates which provide opportunities for vertebrates and invertebrates to live and breed. | N | |
| C | Any scrub present accounts for less than 20% of the total grassland area. (Some scattered scrub such as bramble <i>Rubus fruticosus</i> agg. may be present). Note - patches of scrub with continuous (more than 90%) cover should be classified as the relevant scrub habitat type. | N | |
| D | Physical damage is evident in less than 5% of total grassland area. Examples of physical damage include excessive poaching, damage from machinery use or storage, erosion caused by high levels of access, or any other damaging management activities. | Y | |
| E | Cover of bare ground is between 1% and 10%, including localised areas (for example, a concentration of rabbit warrens) ² . | Y | |
| F | Cover of bracken <i>Pteridium aquilinum</i> is less than 20%. | Y | |
| G | There is an absence of invasive non-native plant species ³ (as listed on Schedule 9 of WCA ⁴). | Y | |
| Essential criterion achieved (Yes or No) | | | Yes |

| Number of criteria passed | | | 5 |
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| Condition Assessment Result (out of 7 criteria) | Condition Assessment Score | Score Achieved x/√ | |
| Passes 6 or 7 criteria including passing essential criterion A | Good (3) | | |
| Passes 4 or 5 criteria including passing essential criterion A | Moderate (2) | √ | |
| Passes 3 or fewer criteria; OR Passes 4 - 6 criteria (excluding criterion A) | Poor (1) | | |
| Suggested enhancement interventions to improve condition score | | | |
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| Footnotes | | | |
| <p>Footnote 1 – Creeping thistle <i>Cirsium arvense</i> , spear thistle <i>Cirsium vulgare</i> , curled dock <i>Rumex crispus</i> , broad-leaved dock <i>Rumex obtusifolius</i> , common nettle <i>Urtica dioica</i> , creeping buttercup <i>Ranunculus repens</i> , greater plantain <i>Plantago major</i> , white clover <i>Trifolium repens</i> and cow parsley <i>Anthriscus sylvestris</i> .</p> <p>Footnote 2 – For example, this could include small, scattered areas of bare ground allowing establishment of new species, or localised patches where not exceeding 10% cover.</p> <p>Footnote 3 – Assess this for each distinct habitat parcel. If the distribution of invasive non-native species varies across the habitat, split into parcels accordingly, applying a buffer zone around the invasive non-native species with a size relative to its risk of spread into adjacent habitat, using professional judgement.</p> <p>Footnote 4 – Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended).</p> | | | |

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| Condition Sheet: GRASSLAND Habitat Type (low distinctiveness) | | | |
| UK Habitat Classification (UKHab) Habitat Type | | | |
| Grassland - Modified grassland | | | |
| On-site or off-site, site name and location | Onsite - Sevington IBF | Survey date and Surveyor name | 14/11/24 SR and CP |
| Limitations (if applicable) | No photos - active Site | Survey reference (if relating to a wider survey) | |
| Grid reference | TR 03811 40717 | Habitat parcel reference | G2 |
| Habitat Description | | | |
| <p>Areas of managed grassland within site</p> <p>Creeping thistle <i>Cirsium arvense</i> White clover <i>Trifolium repens</i> Perennial ryegrass <i>Lolium perenne</i> Yorkshire fog <i>Holcus lanatus</i> Common dandelion <i>Taraxacum</i> sp. Ribwort plantain <i>Plantago lanceolata</i> Black Meddock <i>Medicago lupulina</i> Bristly Oxtongue <i>Helminthotheca echioides</i> Pineappleweed <i>Matricaria discoidea</i> Broadleaf plantain <i>Plantago major</i></p> | | | |
| ukhab – UK Habitat Classification | | | |
| Condition Assessment Criteria | | Criterion passed (Yes or No) | Notes (such as justification) |
| A | <p>There are 6-8 vascular plant species per m² present, including at least 2 forbs (these may include those listed in Footnote 1). Note - this criterion is essential for achieving Moderate or Good condition.</p> <p>Where the vascular plant species present are characteristic of medium, high or very high distinctiveness grassland, or there are 9 or more of these characteristic species per m² (excluding those listed in Footnote 1), please review the full UKHab description to assess whether the grassland should instead be classified as a higher distinctiveness grassland. Where a grassland is classed as medium, high, or very high distinctiveness, please use the relevant condition sheet.</p> | N | |
| B | Sward height is varied (at least 20% of the sward is less than 7 cm and at least 20% is more than 7 cm) creating microclimates which provide opportunities for vertebrates and invertebrates to live and breed. | N | |
| C | <p>Any scrub present accounts for less than 20% of the total grassland area. (Some scattered scrub such as bramble <i>Rubus fruticosus</i> agg. may be present).</p> <p>Note - patches of scrub with continuous (more than 90%) cover should be classified as the relevant scrub habitat type.</p> | Y | |
| D | Physical damage is evident in less than 5% of total grassland area. Examples of physical damage include excessive poaching, damage from machinery use or storage, erosion caused by high levels of access, or any other damaging management activities. | Y | |
| E | Cover of bare ground is between 1% and 10%, including localised areas (for example, a concentration of rabbit warrens) ² . | Y | |
| F | Cover of bracken <i>Pteridium aquilinum</i> is less than 20%. | Y | |
| G | There is an absence of invasive non-native plant species ³ (as listed on Schedule 9 of WCA ⁴). | Y | |
| Essential criterion achieved (Yes or No) | | | No |

| Number of criteria passed | | | 5 |
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| Condition Assessment Result (out of 7 criteria) | Condition Assessment Score | Score Achieved x/√ | |
| Passes 6 or 7 criteria including passing essential criterion A | Good (3) | | |
| Passes 4 or 5 criteria including passing essential criterion A | Moderate (2) | | |
| Passes 3 or fewer criteria; OR Passes 4 - 6 criteria (excluding criterion A) | Poor (1) | √ | |
| Suggested enhancement interventions to improve condition score | | | |
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| Footnotes | | | |
| <p>Footnote 1 – Creeping thistle <i>Cirsium arvense</i> , spear thistle <i>Cirsium vulgare</i> , curled dock <i>Rumex crispus</i> , broad-leaved dock <i>Rumex obtusifolius</i> , common nettle <i>Urtica dioica</i> , creeping buttercup <i>Ranunculus repens</i> , greater plantain <i>Plantago major</i> , white clover <i>Trifolium repens</i> and cow parsley <i>Anthriscus sylvestris</i> .</p> <p>Footnote 2 – For example, this could include small, scattered areas of bare ground allowing establishment of new species, or localised patches where not exceeding 10% cover.</p> <p>Footnote 3 – Assess this for each distinct habitat parcel. If the distribution of invasive non-native species varies across the habitat, split into parcels accordingly, applying a buffer zone around the invasive non-native species with a size relative to its risk of spread into adjacent habitat, using professional judgement.</p> <p>Footnote 4 – Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended).</p> | | | |

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| UK Habitat Classification (UKHab) Habitat Type | | | |
| Grassland - Modified grassland | | | |
| On-site or off-site, site name and location | Onsite - Sevington IBF | Survey date and Surveyor name | 14/11/24 SR and CP |
| Limitations (if applicable) | No photos - active Site | Survey reference (if relating to a wider survey) | |
| Grid reference | TR 03809 40310 | Habitat parcel reference | G3 |
| Habitat Description | | | |
| Grassland with tall rudral outside secure site Chervil Anthriscus cerefolium Bristly Oxtongue Helminthotheca echinoides Perennial ryegrass Lolium perenne Cock's-foot Dactylis glomerata Mallow Malva sylvestris Common nettle Urtica dioica Common dandelion Taraxacum sp. Common ragwort Jacobaea vulgaris Saplings with guards Creeping bent Agrostis stolonifera | | | |
| ukhab – UK Habitat Classification | | | |
| Condition Assessment Criteria | | Criterion passed (Yes or No) | Notes (such as justification) |
| A | <p>There are 6-8 vascular plant species per m² present, including at least 2 forbs (these may include those listed in Footnote 1). Note - this criterion is essential for achieving Moderate or Good condition.</p> <p>Where the vascular plant species present are characteristic of medium, high or very high distinctiveness grassland, or there are 9 or more of these characteristic species per m² (excluding those listed in Footnote 1), please review the full UKHab description to assess whether the grassland should instead be classified as a higher distinctiveness grassland. Where a grassland is classed as medium, high, or very high distinctiveness, please use the relevant condition sheet.</p> | N | |
| B | <p>Sward height is varied (at least 20% of the sward is less than 7 cm and at least 20% is more than 7 cm) creating microclimates which provide opportunities for vertebrates and invertebrates to live and breed.</p> | Y | |
| C | <p>Any scrub present accounts for less than 20% of the total grassland area. (Some scattered scrub such as bramble <i>Rubus fruticosus</i> agg. may be present).</p> <p>Note - patches of scrub with continuous (more than 90%) cover should be classified as the relevant scrub habitat type.</p> | Y | |
| D | <p>Physical damage is evident in less than 5% of total grassland area. Examples of physical damage include excessive poaching, damage from machinery use or storage, erosion caused by high levels of access, or any other damaging management activities.</p> | Y | |
| E | <p>Cover of bare ground is between 1% and 10%, including localised areas (for example, a concentration of rabbit warrens)².</p> | Y | |
| F | <p>Cover of bracken <i>Pteridium aquilinum</i> is less than 20%.</p> | Y | |
| G | <p>There is an absence of invasive non-native plant species³ (as listed on Schedule 9 of WCA⁴).</p> | Y | |
| Essential criterion achieved (Yes or No) | | | No |

| Number of criteria passed | | | 6 |
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| Condition Assessment Result (out of 7 criteria) | Condition Assessment Score | Score Achieved ✕/✓ | |
| Passes 6 or 7 criteria including passing essential criterion A | Good (3) | | |
| Passes 4 or 5 criteria including passing essential criterion A | Moderate (2) | | |
| Passes 3 or fewer criteria; OR Passes 4 - 6 criteria (excluding criterion A) | Poor (1) | ✓ | |
| Suggested enhancement interventions to improve condition score | | | |
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| Footnotes | | | |
| <p>Footnote 1 – Creeping thistle <i>Cirsium arvense</i> , spear thistle <i>Cirsium vulgare</i> , curled dock <i>Rumex crispus</i> , broad-leaved dock <i>Rumex obtusifolius</i> , common nettle <i>Urtica dioica</i> , creeping buttercup <i>Ranunculus repens</i> , greater plantain <i>Plantago major</i> , white clover <i>Trifolium repens</i> and cow parsley <i>Anthriscus sylvestris</i> .</p> <p>Footnote 2 – For example, this could include small, scattered areas of bare ground allowing establishment of new species, or localised patches where not exceeding 10% cover.</p> <p>Footnote 3 – Assess this for each distinct habitat parcel. If the distribution of invasive non-native species varies across the habitat, split into parcels accordingly, applying a buffer zone around the invasive non-native species with a size relative to its risk of spread into adjacent habitat, using professional judgement.</p> <p>Footnote 4 – Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended).</p> | | | |

| Condition Sheet: SCRUB Habitat Type | | | |
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| Habitat Types | | | |
| Heathland and shrub - Blackthorn scrub Heathland and shrub - Gorse scrub Heathland and shrub - Hawthorn scrub Heathland and shrub - Hazel scrub Heathland and shrub - Mixed scrub Heathland and shrub - Dunes with sea buckthorn (H2160) Heathland and shrub - Willow scrub | | | |
| Habitat Description | | | |
| Mixed Scrub 1 Bramble Rubus Cow parsley Anthriscus sylvestris Creeping thistle Cirsium arvense Curled dock Rumex crispus Common ragwort Senecio jacobaea Spear thistle Cirsium vulgare Hazel Corylus avellana Hawthorn Crataegus Ash Fraxinus excelsior Common nettle Urtica dioica Willow herb Epilobium hirsutum Narrow leaved ragwort Senecio inaequidens Blackthorn Prunus spinosa | | | |
| For Dunes with sea buckthorn see: | | Dunes with sea-buckthorn (Dunes with Hippophae rhamnoides) - Special Areas of Conservation (jncc.gov.uk) | |
| For other scrub types see: | | ukhab – UK Habitat Classification | |
| On-site or off-site, site name and location | Onsite - Sevington IBF | Survey date and Surveyor name | 14/11/24 SR and CP |
| Limitations (if applicable) | No photos - active Site | Survey reference (if relating to a wider survey) | |
| Grid reference | TR 03831 41012 | Habitat parcel reference | S1 |
| Condition Assessment Criteria | | Criterion passed (Yes or No) | Notes (such as justification) |
| A | The parcel represents a good example of its habitat type - the appearance and composition of the vegetation closely matches its UKHab description (where in its natural range). ¹ - At least 80% of scrub is native, - There are at least three native woody species ² , - No single species comprises more than 75% of the cover (except hazel <i>Corylus avellana</i> , common juniper <i>Juniperus communis</i> , sea buckthorn <i>Hippophae rhamnoides</i> (only in its restricted native range), or box <i>Buxus sempervirens</i> , which can be up to 100% cover). | Y | |
| B | Seedlings, saplings, young shrubs and mature (or ancient or veteran ³) shrubs are all present. | N | |
| C | There is an absence of invasive non-native plant species ⁴ (as listed on Schedule 9 of WCA ⁵) and species indicative of suboptimal condition ⁶ make up less than 5% of ground cover. | Y | |
| D | The scrub has a well-developed edge with scattered scrub and tall grassland and or forbs present between the scrub and adjacent habitat. | Y | |
| E | There are clearings, glades or rides present within the scrub, providing sheltered edges. | N | |

| Number of criteria passed | | | 3 |
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| Condition Assessment Result (out of 5 criteria) | Condition Assessment Score | Score Achieved ×/√ | |
| Passes 5 criteria | Good (3) | | |
| Passes 3 or 4 criteria | Moderate (2) | √ | |
| Passes 2 or fewer criteria | Poor (1) | | |
| Suggested enhancement interventions to improve condition score | | | |
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| Condition Sheet: SCRUB Habitat Type | | | |
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| Habitat Types | | | |
| Heathland and shrub - Blackthorn scrub Heathland and shrub - Gorse scrub Heathland and shrub - Hawthorn scrub Heathland and shrub - Hazel scrub Heathland and shrub - Mixed scrub Heathland and shrub - Dunes with sea buckthorn (H2160) Heathland and shrub - Willow scrub | | | |
| Habitat Description | | | |
| Mixed Scrub 2 Field maple <i>Acer campestre</i> Hazel <i>Corylus avellana</i> Cow parsley <i>Anthriscus sylvestris</i> Less teasel <i>Dipsacus fullonum</i> Common nettle <i>Urtica dioica</i> Blackthorn <i>Prunus spinosa</i> Ash <i>Fraxinus excelsior</i> Hawthorn <i>Crataegus</i> Willow sp. <i>Salix</i> Common buckthorn <i>Rhamnus cathartica</i> | | | |
| For Dunes with sea buckthorn see: | | Dunes with sea-buckthorn (Dunes with <i>Hippophae rhamnoides</i>) - Special Areas of Conservation (jncc.gov.uk) | |
| For other scrub types see: | | ukhab – UK Habitat Classification | |
| On-site or off-site, site name and location | Onsite - Sevington IBF | Survey date and Surveyor name | 14/11/24 SR and CP |
| Limitations (if applicable) | No photos - active Site | Survey reference (if relating to a wider survey) | |
| Grid reference | TR 03906 40424 | Habitat parcel reference | S2 |
| Condition Assessment Criteria | | Criterion passed (Yes or No) | Notes (such as justification) |
| A | The parcel represents a good example of its habitat type - the appearance and composition of the vegetation closely matches its UKHab description (where in its natural range). ¹ - At least 80% of scrub is native, - There are at least three native woody species ² , - No single species comprises more than 75% of the cover (except hazel <i>Corylus avellana</i> , common juniper <i>Juniperus communis</i> , sea buckthorn <i>Hippophae rhamnoides</i> (only in its restricted native range), or box <i>Buxus sempervirens</i> , which can be up to 100% cover). | Y | |
| B | Seedlings, saplings, young shrubs and mature (or ancient or veteran ³) shrubs are all present. | Y | |
| C | There is an absence of invasive non-native plant species ⁴ (as listed on Schedule 9 of WCA ⁵) and species indicative of suboptimal condition ⁶ make up less than 5% of ground cover. | Y | |
| D | The scrub has a well-developed edge with scattered scrub and tall grassland and or forbs present between the scrub and adjacent habitat. | Y | |
| E | There are clearings, glades or rides present within the scrub, providing sheltered edges. | N | |

| Number of criteria passed | | | 4 |
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| Condition Assessment Result (out of 5 criteria) | Condition Assessment Score | Score Achieved ×/√ | |
| Passes 5 criteria | Good (3) | | |
| Passes 3 or 4 criteria | Moderate (2) | √ | |
| Passes 2 or fewer criteria | Poor (1) | | |
| Suggested enhancement interventions to improve condition score | | | |
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| Condition Sheet: URBAN Habitat Type | | | |
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| Habitat Types | | | |
| Sparsely vegetated land - Ruderal/Ephemeral Sparsely vegetated land - Tall forbs Urban - Allotments Urban - Biodiverse green roof Urban - Bioswale Urban - Cemeteries and churchyards Urban - Facade-bound green wall Urban - Ground based green wall Urban - Intensive green roof Urban - Open mosaic habitats on previously developed land Urban - Rain garden Urban - Sustainable drainage system (SuDS) Urban - Vacant or derelict land Urban - Bare ground | | | |
| Habitat Description | | | |
| Suds (Urban) Cow parsley Anthriscus sylvestris Narrow leaved ragwort Senecio inaequidens Bullrush Typha latifolia Common ragwort Jacobaea vulgaris Soft rush Juncus effusus Small-flowered crane's-bill Geranium pusillum Willow Salix Dock sp. Rumex obtusifolius Willowherb sp. Epilobium hirsutum Hazel sapling Corylus avellana Common mallow Malva sylvestris | | | |
| See the Statutory Biodiversity Metric User Guide for green roofs and UK Habitat Classification (UKHab) for other habitats: | | | UKHab – UK Habitat Classification |
| On-site or off-site, site name and location | Onsite - Sevington IBF | Survey date and Surveyor name | |
| Limitations (if applicable) | No photos - active Site | Survey reference (if relating to a wider survey) | |
| Grid reference | TR 03911 41053 | Habitat parcel reference | SUDS |
| Condition Assessment Criteria | | Criterion passed (Yes or No) | Notes (such as justification) |
| Core Criteria - must be assessed for all urban habitat types : | | | |
| A | Vegetation structure is varied, providing opportunities for vertebrates and invertebrates to live, eat and breed. A single structural habitat component or vegetation type does not account for more than 80% of the total habitat area. | Y | |
| B | The habitat parcel contains different plant species that are beneficial for wildlife, for example flowering species providing nectar sources for a range of invertebrates at different times of year. | Y | |
| C | Invasive non-native plant species (listed on Schedule 9 of WCA ¹) and others which are to the detriment of native wildlife (using professional judgement) ² cover less than 5% of the total vegetated area ³ . Note - to achieve Good condition, this criterion must be satisfied by a complete absence of invasive non-native species (rather than <5% cover). | Y | |
| Additional Criterion - must be assessed for Open mosaic habitat on previously developed land only: | | | |
| D | The parcel shows spatial variation and forms a mosaic of bare substrate PLUS: - At least four early successional communities (a) to (i); Communities: (a) annuals; (b) mosses/liverworts; (c) lichens; (d) ruderals; (e) inundation species; (f) open grassland; (g) flower-rich grassland; (h) heathland, (i) pools. | | |
| Additional Criteria - must be assessed for Bioswale and SuDS habitat types only: | | | |
| E1 | Plant species are mostly native. If non-native species are present, they should not be detrimental to the habitat or native wildlife ⁴ . | Y | |
| E2 | The vegetation is comprised of plant species suited to wetland or riparian situations. | Y | |
| Additional Criterion - must be assessed for Intensive green roofs only: | | | |

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| F | The roof has a minimum of 50% native and non-native wildflowers. 70% of the roof area is soil and vegetation (including water features). | | |
| Additional Criterion - must be assessed for Biodiverse green roofs only: | | | |
| G | The roof has a varied depth of 80 – 150 mm; at least 50% is at 150 mm and is planted and seeded with wildflowers and sedums or is pre-prepared with sedums and wildflowers. Note – to achieve Good condition some additional habitat, such as sand piles, stones, logs etc. are present. | | |
| Essential criteria relevant for habitat type achieved (Yes or No) | | | Yes |
| Number of criteria passed | | | 5 |
| Condition Assessment Result | | Condition Assessment Score | Score Achieved x/√ |
| Results for habitats requiring assessment of 3 core criteria only (all listed urban habitats except Open mosaic habitat on previously developed land, Bioswale, SuDS and Green roofs): | | | |
| • Passes all 3 core criteria; AND • Meets the requirements for Good condition within criterion C. | | Good (3) | |
| • Passes 2 of 3 core criteria; OR • Passes 3 of 3 core criteria but does not meet the requirements for Good condition within criterion C. | | Moderate (2) | |
| • Passes 0 or 1 of 3 core criteria. | | Poor (1) | |
| Results for Green roofs and Open mosaic habitat on previously developed land (requiring assessment of 4 criteria only - core criteria plus additional criterion specified for habitat type): | | | |
| • Passes all 3 core criteria; AND • Meets the requirements for Good condition within criterion C; AND • Passes additional criterion relevant to specific habitat type (D, F or G). | | Good (3) | |
| • Passes 2 or 3 of 4 criteria; OR • Passes 4 of 4 criteria but does not meet the requirements for Good condition within criterion C. | | Moderate (2) | |
| • Passes 0 or 1 of 4 criteria. | | Poor (1) | |
| Results for Bioswale or SuDS (requiring assessment of 5 criteria - core criteria plus additional criteria specified for habitat type): | | | |
| • Passes all 3 core criteria; AND • Meets the requirements for Good condition within criterion C; AND • Passes all additional criteria relevant to specific habitat type (Group E) | | Good (3) | √ |
| • Passes 3 or 4 of 5 criteria; OR • Passes 5 of 5 criteria but does not meet the requirements for Good condition within criterion C. | | Moderate (2) | |
| • Passes 2 or fewer of 5 criteria. | | Poor (1) | |
| Suggested enhancement interventions to improve condition score | | | |
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| Footnotes | | | |

| Condition Sheet: URBAN Habitat Type | | | |
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| Habitat Types | | | |
| Sparsely vegetated land - Ruderal/Ephemeral Sparsely vegetated land - Tall forbs Urban - Allotments Urban - Biodiverse green roof Urban - Bioswale Urban - Cemeteries and churchyards Urban - Facade-bound green wall Urban - Ground based green wall Urban - Intensive green roof Urban - Open mosaic habitats on previously developed land Urban - Rain garden Urban - Sustainable drainage system (SuDS) Urban - Vacant or derelict land Urban - Bare ground | | | |
| Habitat Description | | | |
| Tall Ruderal Teasel Dipsacus fullonum Cow parsley Anthriscus sylvestris Bristly Oxtongue Helminthotheca echioides Common ragwort Senecio jacobaea Yarrow Achillea millefolium Perennial ryegrass Lolium perenne Common nettle Urtica dioica Bramble Rubus fruticosus White clover Trifolium repens Mallow Malva sylvestris Fuller's teasel Dipsacus sylvestris Common dandelion Taraxacum sp. | | | |
| See the Statutory Biodiversity Metric User Guide for green roofs and UK Habitat Classification (UKHab) for other habitats: | | | UKHab – UK Habitat Classification |
| On-site or off-site, site name and location | Onsite - Sevington IBF | Survey date and Surveyor name | 14/11/24 SR and CP |
| Limitations (if applicable) | No photos - active Site | Survey reference (if relating to a wider survey) | |
| Grid reference | TR 03823 40363 | Habitat parcel reference | G3 |
| Condition Assessment Criteria | | Criterion passed (Yes or No) | Notes (such as justification) |
| Core Criteria - must be assessed for all urban habitat types : | | | |
| A | Vegetation structure is varied, providing opportunities for vertebrates and invertebrates to live, eat and breed. A single structural habitat component or vegetation type does not account for more than 80% of the total habitat area. | Y | |
| B | The habitat parcel contains different plant species that are beneficial for wildlife, for example flowering species providing nectar sources for a range of invertebrates at different times of year. | Y | |
| C | Invasive non-native plant species (listed on Schedule 9 of WCA ¹) and others which are to the detriment of native wildlife (using professional judgement) ² cover less than 5% of the total vegetated area ³ . Note - to achieve Good condition, this criterion must be satisfied by a complete absence of invasive non-native species (rather than <5% cover). | Y | |
| Additional Criterion - must be assessed for Open mosaic habitat on previously developed land only: | | | |
| D | The parcel shows spatial variation and forms a mosaic of bare substrate PLUS: - At least four early successional communities (a) to (i); Communities: (a) annuals; (b) mosses/liverworts; (c) lichens; (d) ruderals; (e) inundation species; (f) open grassland; (g) flower-rich grassland; (h) heathland, (i) pools. | | |
| Additional Criteria - must be assessed for Bioswale and SuDS habitat types only: | | | |
| E1 | Plant species are mostly native. If non-native species are present, they should not be detrimental to the habitat or native wildlife ⁴ . | | |
| E2 | The vegetation is comprised of plant species suited to wetland or riparian situations. | | |
| Additional Criterion - must be assessed for Intensive green roofs only: | | | |

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| F | The roof has a minimum of 50% native and non-native wildflowers. 70% of the roof area is soil and vegetation (including water features). | | |
| Additional Criterion - must be assessed for Biodiverse green roofs only: | | | |
| G | The roof has a varied depth of 80 – 150 mm; at least 50% is at 150 mm and is planted and seeded with wildflowers and sedums or is pre-prepared with sedums and wildflowers. Note – to achieve Good condition some additional habitat, such as sand piles, stones, logs etc. are present. | | |
| Essential criteria relevant for habitat type achieved (Yes or No) | | | Yes |
| Number of criteria passed | | | 5 |
| Condition Assessment Result | | Condition Assessment Score | Score Achieved x/√ |
| Results for habitats requiring assessment of 3 core criteria only (all listed urban habitats except Open mosaic habitat on previously developed land, Bioswale, SuDS and Green roofs): | | | |
| • Passes all 3 core criteria; AND • Meets the requirements for Good condition within criterion C. | | Good (3) | √ |
| • Passes 2 of 3 core criteria; OR • Passes 3 of 3 core criteria but does not meet the requirements for Good condition within criterion C. | | Moderate (2) | |
| • Passes 0 or 1 of 3 core criteria. | | Poor (1) | |
| Results for Green roofs and Open mosaic habitat on previously developed land (requiring assessment of 4 criteria only - core criteria plus additional criterion specified for habitat type): | | | |
| • Passes all 3 core criteria; AND • Meets the requirements for Good condition within criterion C; AND • Passes additional criterion relevant to specific habitat type (D, F or G). | | Good (3) | |
| • Passes 2 or 3 of 4 criteria; OR • Passes 4 of 4 criteria but does not meet the requirements for Good condition within criterion C. | | Moderate (2) | |
| • Passes 0 or 1 of 4 criteria. | | Poor (1) | |
| Results for Bioswale or SuDS (requiring assessment of 5 criteria - core criteria plus additional criteria specified for habitat type): | | | |
| • Passes all 3 core criteria; AND • Meets the requirements for Good condition within criterion C; AND • Passes all additional criteria relevant to specific habitat type (Group E) | | Good (3) | |
| • Passes 3 or 4 of 5 criteria; OR • Passes 5 of 5 criteria but does not meet the requirements for Good condition within criterion C. | | Moderate (2) | |
| • Passes 2 or fewer of 5 criteria. | | Poor (1) | |
| Suggested enhancement interventions to improve condition score | | | |
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| Footnotes | | | |

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| Condition Sheet: POND Habitat Type | | | |
| Habitat Type | | | |
| Lakes - Ponds (priority habitat) Lakes - Ponds (non-priority habitat) Lakes - Temporary lakes ponds and pools (H3170) [Use this condition sheet for Temporary ponds and pools, use Lake condition sheet for Temporary lakes] Lakes - Ornamental lake or pond [Use this condition sheet for Ornamental ponds, use Lake condition sheet for Ornamental lakes] | | | |
| Habitat Description | | | |
| Pond 1 Species present Bulrush <i>Typha latifolia</i> , willow <i>Salix</i> sp., hazel <i>Corylus avellana</i> , yellow flag iris <i>Iris pseudacorus</i> , water mint <i>Mentha aquatica</i> , brooklime <i>Veronica beccabunga</i> , soft rush <i>Juncus effusus</i> , lesser spearwort <i>Ranunculus flammula</i> , floating sweet-grass <i>Glyceria fluitans</i> , broad dock <i>Rumex obtusifolius</i> , bristly oxtongue <i>Helminthotheca echioides</i> , common nettle <i>Urtica dioica</i> , cleavers <i>Galium aparine</i> , cock's-foot <i>Dactylis glomerata</i> , spear thistle <i>Cirsium vulgare</i> , forget-me-not <i>Myosotis scorpioides</i> and narrow-leaved ragwort <i>Senecio inaequidens</i> | | | |
| ukhab – UK Habitat Classification | | | |
| On-site or off-site, site name and location | Onsite - Sevington IBF | Survey date and Surveyor name | 14/11/24 SR and CP |
| Limitations (if applicable) | No photos - active Site | Survey reference (if relating to a wider survey) | |
| Grid reference | TR 04290 40939 | Habitat parcel reference | P1 |
| Condition Assessment Criteria | | Criterion passed (Yes or No) | Notes (such as justification) |
| Core Criteria - applicable to all ponds (woodland¹ and non-woodland): | | | |
| A | The pond is of good water quality, with clear water (low turbidity) indicating no obvious signs of pollution. Turbidity is acceptable if the pond is grazed by livestock. | Y | |
| B | There is semi-natural habitat (moderate distinctiveness or above) completely surrounding the pond, for at least 10 m from the pond edge for its entire perimeter. | N | |
| C | Less than 10% of the water surface is covered with duckweed <i>Lemna</i> spp. or filamentous algae. | Y | |
| D | The pond is not artificially connected to other waterbodies, such as agricultural ditches or artificial pipework. | N | |
| E | Pond water levels can fluctuate naturally throughout the year. No obvious artificial dams ² , pumps or pipework. | Y | |
| F | There is an absence of listed non-native plant and animal species ³ . | Y | |

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| G | The pond is not artificially stocked with fish. If the pond naturally contains fish, it is a native fish assemblage at low densities. | N | |
| Additional Criteria - must be assessed for all non-woodland ponds: | | | |
| H | Emergent, submerged or floating plants (excluding duckweed) ⁴ cover at least 50% of the pond area which is less than 3 m deep. | Y | |
| I | The pond surface is no more than 50% shaded by adjacent trees and scrub. | Y | |
| Number of criteria passed | | 6 | |
| Condition Assessment Result | | Condition Assessment Score | Score Achieved ×/✓ |
| Results for woodland ponds which require assessment of 7 core criteria | | | |
| Passes 7 criteria | | Good (3) | |
| Passes 5 or 6 criteria | | Moderate (2) | |
| Passes 4 or fewer criteria | | Poor (1) | |
| Results for non-woodland ponds which require assessment of 9 criteria | | | |
| Passes 9 criteria | | Good (3) | |
| Passes 6 to 8 criteria | | Moderate (2) | ✓ |
| Passes 5 or fewer criteria | | Poor (1) | |
| Suggested enhancement interventions to improve condition score | | | |
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| <p>Footnote 1 - A woodland pond will be surrounded on all sides by woodland habitat.</p> <p>Footnote 2 – This excludes natural dams such as those created by Eurasian beaver <i>Castor fiber</i>.</p> <p>Footnote 3 - Any species included on the Water Framework Directive (WFD) UKTAG GB High Impact Species List should be absent: WFD UKTAG (2021) <i>Classification of aquatic alien species according to their level of impact</i> [online]. Available from:</p> | | | |

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| Condition Sheet: POND Habitat Type | | | |
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| Lakes - Ponds (priority habitat) Lakes - Ponds (non-priority habitat) Lakes - Temporary lakes ponds and pools (H3170) [Use this condition sheet for Temporary ponds and pools, use Lake condition sheet for Temporary lakes] Lakes - Ornamental lake or pond [Use this condition sheet for Ornamental ponds, use Lake condition sheet for Ornamental lakes] | | | |
| Habitat Description | | | |
| Condition Assessment sheet for Pond 2 -Pond 7 Bramble <i>Rubus fruticosus</i> agg., Hazel <i>Corylus avellana</i> , Willow <i>Salix</i> sp., Broad dock <i>Rumex obtusifolius</i> , Bristly oxtongue <i>Helminthotheca echinoides</i> , Common nettle <i>Urtica dioica</i> , Cleavers <i>Galium aparine</i> , Cock's-foot <i>Dactylis glomerata</i> , Spear thistle <i>Cirsium vulgare</i> , Forget-me-not <i>Myosotis sylvatica</i> and Narrow-leaved ragwort <i>Senecio inaequidens</i> . | | | |
| ukhab – UK Habitat Classification | | | |
| On-site or off-site, site name and location | Onsite - Sevington IBF | Survey date and Surveyor name | 14/11/24 SR and CP |
| Limitations (if applicable) | No photos - active Site | Survey reference (if relating to a wider survey) | |
| Grid reference | Pond 2 - TR 03753 40950 Pond 3 - TR 03802 40799 Pond 4 - TR 03633 40552 | Habitat parcel reference | P2-P7 |
| Condition Assessment Criteria | | Criterion passed (Yes or No) | Notes (such as justification) |
| Core Criteria - applicable to all ponds (woodland¹ and non-woodland): | | | |
| A | The pond is of good water quality, with clear water (low turbidity) indicating no obvious signs of pollution. Turbidity is acceptable if the pond is grazed by livestock. | Y | |
| B | There is semi-natural habitat (moderate distinctiveness or above) completely surrounding the pond, for at least 10 m from the pond edge for its entire perimeter. | N | |
| C | Less than 10% of the water surface is covered with duckweed <i>Lemna</i> spp. or filamentous algae. | Y | |
| D | The pond is not artificially connected to other waterbodies, such as agricultural ditches or artificial pipework. | N | |
| E | Pond water levels can fluctuate naturally throughout the year. No obvious artificial dams ² , pumps or pipework. | Y | |
| F | There is an absence of listed non-native plant and animal species ³ . | Y | |

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| G | The pond is not artificially stocked with fish. If the pond naturally contains fish, it is a native fish assemblage at low densities. | N | |
| Additional Criteria - must be assessed for all non-woodland ponds: | | | |
| H | Emergent, submerged or floating plants (excluding duckweed) ⁴ cover at least 50% of the pond area which is less than 3 m deep. | N | |
| I | The pond surface is no more than 50% shaded by adjacent trees and scrub. | Y | |
| Number of criteria passed | | 5 | |
| Condition Assessment Result | | Condition Assessment Score | Score Achieved ×/✓ |
| Results for woodland ponds which require assessment of 7 core criteria | | | |
| Passes 7 criteria | | Good (3) | |
| Passes 5 or 6 criteria | | Moderate (2) | |
| Passes 4 or fewer criteria | | Poor (1) | |
| Results for non-woodland ponds which require assessment of 9 criteria | | | |
| Passes 9 criteria | | Good (3) | |
| Passes 6 to 8 criteria | | Moderate (2) | |
| Passes 5 or fewer criteria | | Poor (1) | 5 |
| Suggested enhancement interventions to improve condition score | | | |
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| <p>Footnote 1 - A woodland pond will be surrounded on all sides by woodland habitat.</p> <p>Footnote 2 – This excludes natural dams such as those created by Eurasian beaver <i>Castor fiber</i>.</p> <p>Footnote 3 - Any species included on the Water Framework Directive (WFD) UKTAG GB High Impact Species List should be absent: WFD UKTAG (2021) <i>Classification of aquatic alien species according to their level of impact</i> [online]. Available from:</p> | | | |

| Condition Sheet: INDIVIDUAL TREES Habitat Type | | | |
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| Habitat Types | | | |
| <p>Individual trees – Urban trees Individual trees – Rural trees Complete a condition sheet for each tree or block of trees.</p> <p><i>Please see the separate Line of trees condition sheet for a line of <u>rural</u> trees. You should only use the Line of trees condition assessment and record that habitat type in <u>rural</u> locations.</i></p> | | | |
| Habitat Description | | | |
| Urban Tree - semi mature oak, only tree on site that is not new planting, assessed for bat potential | | | |
| <p>Individual trees (description applied to the urban or rural environment): Young trees over 7.5 cm in diameter at breast height whose canopies are not touching.</p> <p>Urban Perimeter / Linear Blocks and Groups (description applied to the urban environment only): Groups or stands of trees (size requirement as defined above) within and around the perimeter of urban land. This includes those along urban streets, highways, railways and canals, and also former field boundary trees incorporated into developments. Canopies should predominantly overlap continuously. Groups of urban trees that don't match the descriptions for woodland may be assessed within this category.</p> | | | |
| On-site or off-site, site name and location | Onsite - Sevington IBF | Survey date and Surveyor name | 14/11/24 SR and CP |
| Limitations (if applicable) | No photos - active Site | Survey reference (if relating to a wider survey) | |
| Grid reference | TR 04061 40402 | Habitat parcel reference | T1 |
| Condition Assessment Criteria | | Criterion passed (Yes or No) | Notes (such as justification) |
| A | The tree is a native species (or at least 70% within the block are native species). | Y | |
| B | The tree canopy is predominantly continuous, with gaps in canopy cover making up <10% of total area and no individual gap being >5 m wide (individual trees automatically pass this criterion). | Y | |
| C | The tree is mature (or more than 50% within the block are mature) ¹ . | N | |
| D | There is little or no evidence of an adverse impact on tree health by human activities (such as vandalism, herbicide or detrimental agricultural activity). And there is no current regular pruning regime, so the trees retain >75% of expected canopy for their age range and height. | N | |
| E | Natural ecological niches for vertebrates and invertebrates are present, such as presence of deadwood, cavities, ivy or loose bark. | Y | |
| F | More than 20% of the tree canopy area is oversailing vegetation beneath. | Y | |
| Number of criteria passed | | | |
| Condition Assessment Result (out of 6 criteria) | Condition Assessment Score | Score Achieved x/✓ | |
| Passes 5 or 6 criteria | Good (3) | | |
| Passes 3 or 4 criteria | Moderate (2) | 4 | |
| Passes 2 or fewer criteria | Poor (1) | | |
| Note that 'Fairly Good and Fairly Poor' condition categories are not available for this broad habitat type. | | | |
| Suggested enhancement interventions to improve condition score ² | | | |
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