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Natural Assets Working group (NAWG)

Potential Local Wildlife Site

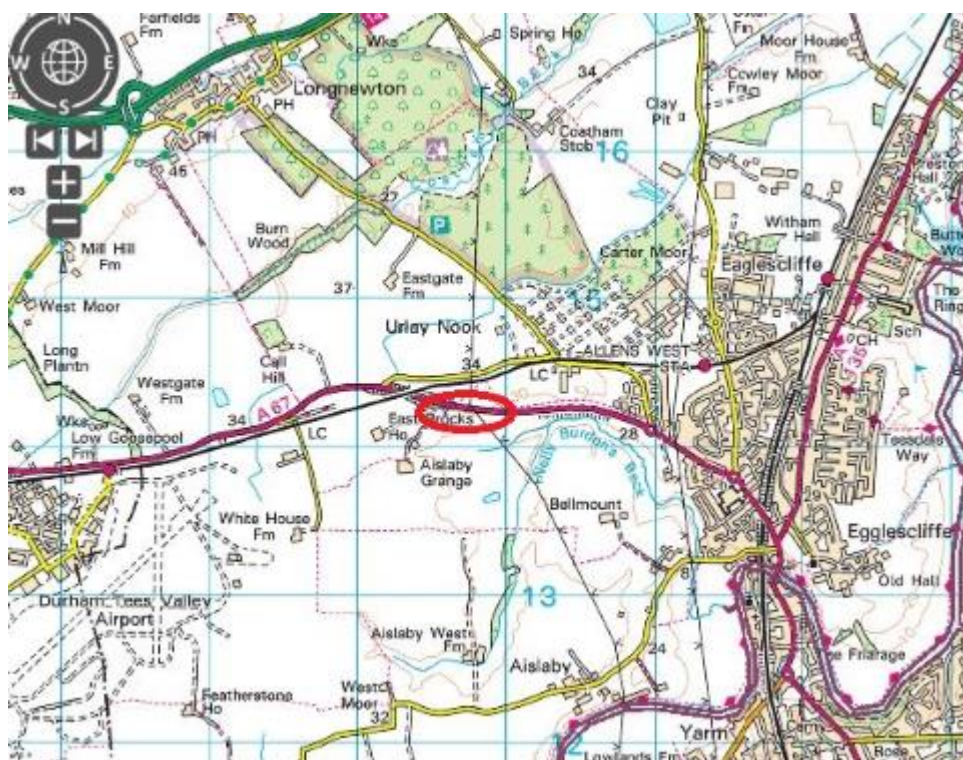
NB: Missing one grass, which is likely to be recorded if site left to flower.

- Site name: A67 road verge **Aislaby Grange**
- OS National Grid Ref: NZ3952714283
- Land ownership: Stockton BC Highways Regs apply.
- Contact: **?**
- District: Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council
- Qualifying feature: Neutral grassland
- Tees Valley Nature Partnership Qualifying criteria code: U3 (G1)
- Most recent site survey date: 13 July 2019
- Research and survey undertaken by Martin Allen
- Location of site details and evidence: attached
- Date of LWS recommendation by Tees Valley Nature Partnership: **DATE**
- Recommended management: Mow regularly as before but some years leave to flower and seed in patches and then cut and remove for green hay/seed.
- Recent management history: regularly mown.
- Site in positive management: Yes (13 July 2019)

Site boundary (site edges should be straight)



## Site location



## Botanical survey

Plants present are given in Table 1. Yellow highlighted species are listed as qualifying species in Appendix 2 of the Guidelines for the Selection of local Wildlife Sites in the Tees Valley (June 2010): Neutral Grassland Flora – three grasses and five herbs are required for LWS status (rare plants are not included on this list).

The site supports three grass species and ten herb species.

Table 1

Scientific Name	Common Name
<b>Achillea millefolium</b>	<b>Yarrow</b>
<b>Agrostis capillaris</b>	<b>Common Bent</b>
Agrostis stolonifera	Creeping Bent
Alopecurus pratensis	Meadow Foxtail
Anthriscus sylvestris	Cow Parsley
Arrhenatherum elatius	False Oat-Grass
Bellis perennis	Daisy
Carex flacca	Glaucous Sedge
<b>Centaurea nigra</b>	<b>Common Knapweed</b>
Cerastium fontanum	Common Mouse-ear
Cirsium vulgare	Spear Thistle
<b>Cynosurus cristatus</b>	<b>Crested Dog's-tail</b>
Dactylis glomerata	Cock's-foot
Equisetum arvense	Field Horsetail
Festuca rubra	Red Fescue

Heracleum sphondylium	Hogweed
Holcus lanatus	Yorkshire-fog
Lathyrus pratensis	Meadow Vetchling
Linum catharticum	Fairy Flax
Lolium perenne	Perennial Rye-grass
Lotus corniculatus	Common Bird's-foot-trefoil
Medicago lupulina	Black Medick
Phleum pratense	Timothy
Plantago lanceolata	Ribwort Plantain
Plantago major	Greater Plantain
Potentilla reptans	Creeping Cinquefoil
Primula veris	Cowslip
Prunella vulgaris	Selfheal
Ranunculus acris	Meadow Buttercup
Ranunculus repens	Creeping Buttercup
Rumex acetosa	Common Sorrel
Rumex crispus	Curled Dock
Scorzonoides autumnalis	Autumn Hawkbit
Senecio erucifolius	Hoary Ragwort
Senecio jacobaea	Common Ragwort
Sonchus asper	Prickly Sow-thistle
Taraxacum agg.	Dandelion
Trifolium dubium	Lesser Trefoil
Trifolium medium	Zigzag Clover
Trifolium pratense	Red Clover
Trifolium repens	White Clover
Veronica chamaedrys	Germander Speedwell
Vicia cracca	Tufted Vetch
Vicia sativa	Common Vetch

Notable amounts of cowslip. Glaucous sedge is noted as an indicator of old (>100 years) calcareous grassland communities. Heavily degraded ridge and furrow on slope.

Site photograph, 6 June 2018



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