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Land at Blackmore Farm, Melksham

Gleeson Land

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1 Hedgerow survey

1.1 Methodology

- 1.1.1 The hedgerow survey was undertaken on 27 May 2021 (Survey Area) in accordance with survey guidelines published by Defra (2007). The survey focused on the ecological component of the assessment; no cultural heritage aspects were assessed. For each hedgerow, a 30m section(s) was surveyed in detail, identifying any woody and woodland indicator species present. Other features, such as the presence of a bank, gaps or hedgerow trees were also noted. Each hedgerow was then assessed against the ecological criteria set out in the Hedgerow Regulations to establish whether or not it was 'Important'.

1.2 Results

- 1.2.1 A total of 55 of the 67 hedgerows surveyed were assessed as being 'ecologically important'. Full details are provided in Table A10.4.1; refer to Figure A10.4.1 for locations.

1.3 References

Defra (2007) *Hedgerow Survey Handbook - a standard procedure for local surveys in the UK*. Defra, London.

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H1	208	N	N	Y	N	N	N	4	N	Privet, elm, hawthorn, blackthorn, rose.	3	Lords-and-Ladies	1	No
H1.5	92	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	4	N	Hawthorn, elm.	2	Lords-and-Ladies	1	No
H2	282	N	N	Y	N	N	N	4	N	Hawthorn, elder, elm, field maple, rose, privet.	4	Lords-and-Ladies	1	No
H3	167	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	3	N	Blackthorn, hawthorn, rose, elm, privet, spindle.	5	Lords-and-Ladies	1	No
H3.5	109	N	Y	N	N	N	N	2	N	Elm, elm, wild privet	2	-	0	No
H4	66	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	3	N	Ash, elm, field maple, hawthorn, privet, rose sp.	6	Herb robert	1	Yes
H5	77	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	4	N	Hawthorn, field maple, blackthorn, rose, spindle.	5	Lords-and-Ladies, False Brome.	2	Yes
H6	76	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	3	N	Blackthorn, hawthorn, field maple.	3	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H7	90	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	2	N	Elm, blackthorn field maple, hawthorn, rose, prunus sp.	6	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H8	106	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	4	N	Hawthorn, rose, elm, blackthorn, privet, field maple.	5	Lords-and-Ladies	1-2	Yes

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H9	160	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	3	N	Blackthorn, hawthorn, rose, field maple, privet, elm, elder, oak.	6	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H10	63	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	3	N	Elm, hawthorn, blackthorn.	3	-	0	Yes
H11	100	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	3	N	Hawthorn, Prunus sp., elm, blackthorn, oak, rose.	6	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H12	53	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	4	N	Blackthorn, hawthorn, spindle, rose, elm.	5	False Brome	1	Yes
H12a	Hedgerow regulations do not apply as hedgerow adjoins residential property.													No
H12b	Hedgerow regulations do not apply as hedgerow adjoins residential property.													No
H13	115	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Hawthorn, rose, elm, elder, field maple, blackthorn.	4	-	0	Yes
H14	252	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	4	Y	Ash, elm, rose, hawthorn, blackthorn, oak, elder.	5.3	Lords-and-Ladies, False Brome.	2	Yes
H15	53	Y	Y		N	N	Y	4	N	Hawthorn, blackthorn, elm, rose.	4	False Brome	1	Yes
H16	44	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Hawthorn, elm, blackthorn, rose.	4	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H17	67	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Hawthorn, blackthorn, field maple, rose, privet, elm.	6	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes

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H18	218	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Rose, blackthorn, hawthorn, field maple, dogwood.	3.5	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H19	65	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	4	N	Blackthorn, elm, hawthorn, rose.	4	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H20	193	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	4	Y	Hawthorn, field maple, blackthorn, rose, oak, elm	5.5	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H21	190	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	4	Y	Rose, hawthorn, elm, oak, blackthorn, ash, privet, spurge laurel	6.5	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H22	214	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	4	Y			-		Yes
H23	196	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	3	N	Blackthorn, hawthorn, rose, dogwood, field maple.	4.5	Lords-and-Ladies, False Brome.	2	Yes
H24	125	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Hawthorn, blackthorn, rose, oak.	3.5	Lords-and-Ladies, False Brome, herb robert.	3	Yes
H25	150	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	6	N	Blackthorn, hawthorn, oak, rose, dogwood.	3.5	Lords-and-Ladies, False Brome.	2	Yes
H26	92	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	4	Y	Blackthorn, hawthorn, rose, elm.	4	Herb robert, False Brome.	2	Yes
H27	111	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Hawthorn, blackthorn, rose, field maple.	4	False Brome, herb robert.	2	Yes

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H28	230	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	4	Y	Hawthorn, field maple, blackthorn, elm, rose, oak, dogwood, spindle.	10	Lords-and-Ladies, False Brome.	2	Yes
H29	200	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	4	Y	Hawthorn, blackthorn, elm, field maple, rose.	4	Lords-and-Ladies, False Brome.	2	Yes
H30	185	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	4	Y	Elm, oak, spindle, hawthorn, rose, dogwood, field maple, blackthorn.	5	Lords-and-Ladies, False Brome.	2	Yes
H31	234	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	4	N	Elm, spindle, rose, dogwood, hawthorn, blackthorn.	4.6	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H32	132	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	4	Y	Hawthorn, blackthorn, field maple, spindle, dogwood, rose, elm.	7	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H33	174	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	5	N	Willow, blackthorn, hawthorn, field maple, privet.	4.5	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H34	38	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	5	N	Blackthorn, elm, field maple, elder.	4		0	Yes
H35	330	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	5	Y	Privet, blackthorn, hawthorn, elm, oak, rose, elder, dogwood, field maple.	7.3	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes

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H36	40	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Elm, rose, hawthorn, blackthorn, privet.	5	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H37	186	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	4	1	Field maple, blackthorn, hawthorn, dogwood, rose, spindle, oak, privet, elder.	7	Lords-and-Ladies, False Brome.	2	Yes
H38	220	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Elm, rose, hawthorn, blackthorn, privet, field maple, spindle, dogwood.	6	Lords-and-Ladies, False Brome.	2	Yes
H39	96	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	2	N	Privet, dogwood, blackthorn, rose, hawthorn, spindle, field maple.	7	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H40	93	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Field maple, spindle, blackthorn, dogwood, hawthorn, privet, rose.	7	Lords-and-Ladies, False Brome.	2	Yes
H41	251	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Elm, rose, field maple, hawthorn, oak, blackthorn, dogwood, spindle.	5.6	Lords-and-Ladies, False Brome.	2	Yes
H42	148	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	4	1	Rose, blackthorn, ash, elm, elder.	3.5	-	0	Yes
H43	178	Y	Y		N	N	N	3	N	Field maple, blackthorn, elder.	3	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H44	60	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Elm, hawthorn, rose, elder.	4	-	0	Yes

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H45	186	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Blackthorn, elm, elder, hawthorn, rose.	4	-	0	Yes
H46	135	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	5	N	Hawthorn, blackthorn, willow, rose, privet, elm.	4.5	-	0	Yes
H47	62	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Willow, hawthorn, blackthorn, rose, elder, privet.	6	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H48	167	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Blackthorn, Hawthorn.	2	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H49	55	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Blackthorn, elm, hawthorn.	3	-	0	Yes
H50	107	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Hawthorn, field maple, blackthorn, elm, elder, privet, rose.	5.5	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H51	248	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	3	N	Elm, blackthorn, hawthorn, elder, spindle, field maple.	4.5	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H52	123	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Elder, hawthorn, blackthorn, field maple, elm, spindle, rose.	5	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H53	99	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	4	Y	Dogwood, field maple, blackthorn, hawthorn, elm, elder.	6	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes

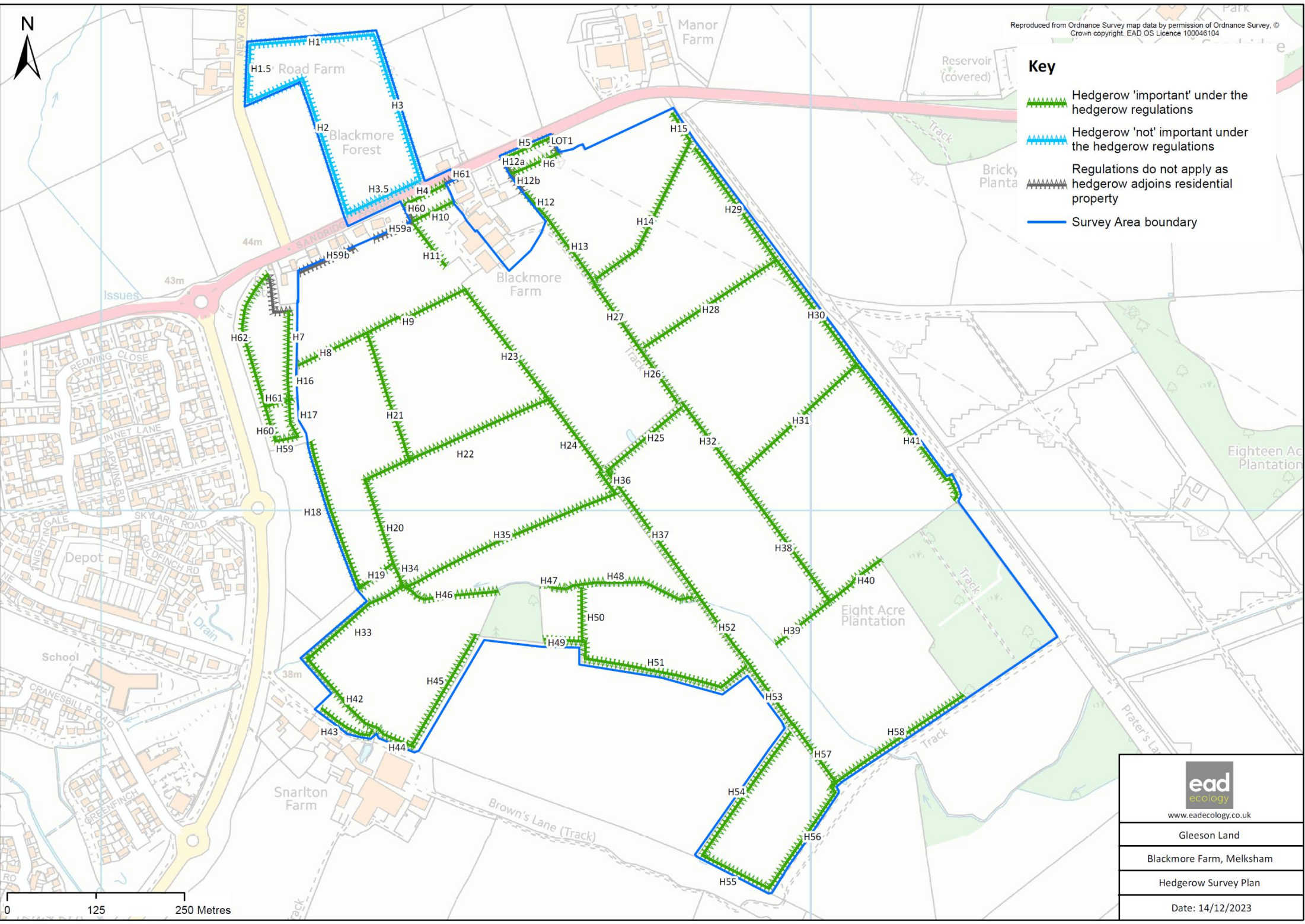
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H54	222	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	4	Y	Blackthorn, dogwood, ash, rose, spindle, hawthorn, oak, ash, field maple, elm, elder.	6	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H55	115	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	4	Y	Field maple, blackthorn, privet, rose, oak, hawthorn, elm, elder, oak, dogwood.	7.5	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H56	171	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Hawthorn, field maple, blackthorn, rose, privet, elder.	4.5	Lords-and-Ladies, bluebell.	2	Yes
H57	107	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	4	N	Blackthorn, hawthorn, field maple, privet, rose.	4	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H58	220	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	4	Y	Blackthorn, hawthorn, field maple, oak, elm, elder, ash.	5	Lords-and-Ladies	1	Yes
H59a	Hedgerow regulations do not apply as hedgerow adjoins residential property.													No
H59b	Hedgerow regulations do not apply as hedgerow adjoins residential property.													No
H60	Hedgerow regulations do not apply as hedgerow adjoins residential property.													No
H61	Hedgerow regulations do not apply as hedgerow adjoins residential property.													No

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LOT1	Hedgerow regulations do not apply as hedgerow adjoins residential property.													No

Figure A10.4.1: Hedgerow survey plan



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Key

- Hedgerow 'important' under the hedgerow regulations
- Hedgerow 'not' important under the hedgerow regulations
- Regulations do not apply as hedgerow adjoins residential property
- Survey Area boundary



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Hedgerow Survey Plan

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