TIDGROVE WARREN FARM

MANAGEMENT PLAN 2014-2024



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1.0 Introduction

Tidgrove Warren Farm is situated within the North Wessex Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). The Farm is located 5 miles (7.5km) to the west of Basingstoke, between the villages of Overton and Kingsclere. The area is situated on chalk downland (institute of Geological Sciences, 1979) and is an important site for biodiversity. The site is also well known for the large amount of evidence for human occupation from Neolothic onwards. Bronze Age barrows are located on the high ground immediately to the north of Tidgrove Warren Farm (Strutt, 2006).

1.2 Archaeology

Remnants of Iron Age settlement and land enclosure are demonstrated by traces of extensive Celtic field systems, which divide the downland into terraces and fields. These features are visible as slight earthworks and soil marks, distinguished by the brown loam and white chalk of the local geology. An advanced network of settlement and trade has been suggested for the area in the Roman period (Cusworth and Dobbs, 1999), which included a road system running from the south coast towards Silchester (Fulford and Timby, 2000). In the locality of Tidgrove Warren Farm, a continuity of settlement and farming is suggested by the existence of ceramic remains, dating from the 1st century BC to 4th century AD.

In the medieval period much of the down was converted either to sheep grazing or warrening of rabbits, or for hunting. This latter use appears to be the case with the land around Tidgrove Warren Farm. The land to the south of Overton was used by the Bishop of Winchester for sheep grazing (Strutt, 2006) and King Henry II is recorded as having built a hunting lodge and stables at Freemantle, near the line of the Roman Portway road. A number of 17th and 18th century maps also attest to the widespread existence of parkland. Spede's map of 1610 shows ten such parks in the north of Hampshire, and Kitchin's map of 1750 delineates a deer pale, which encircles the area around Tidgrove Warren Farm and marks it as *Tremanton Park*, which is possibly a corruption of *Freemantle*.



Figure 1. Site of medieval hunting lodge.

In the 1920s, Mr. Bull, a Kingsclere schoolmaster, observed, in a corn crop, the outline of a large enclosure which he thought to be Roman. The existence of this enclosure was confirmed by aerial photography. When compared with other medieval hunting lodges such as Writtle in Essex, it was clear that this could indeed be the site of Henry II's buildings.

Current interest in the archaeology of Tidgrove Warren was initiated by members of the Kingsclere Heritage Association, and the landowner and resident of Tidgrove Warren Farm, Mr Raleigh Place. The landowner has found a number of concentrations of ceramic material including 12th – 13th century pottery, and 1st century BC to 4th century AD ceramics to the west o9f the present farm, within the bounds of the Iron Age field system (Strutt, 2006).

In 2003, under the direction of Kristian Strutt and Professor David Hinton, volunteers from the KIngsclere Heritage Association and the landowner, investigations of the medieval lodge site revealed a ditched inclosure, with a significant cellar. This structure probably had a stone barrel-vaulted roof with buildings above it. They also located evidence for a Romano-British farmstead on the ridge to the west of the modern farm.

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Peter Woodman of the Kinsclere Heritage Association, states that the medieval settlement was built in 1172 as a stopping place for King Henry II on his journeys to and from his land in France. It was later used by King Richard I and King John, before being demolished in about 1252.

Tidgrove Warren Farm was used for grazing by sheep until about the 1940s. The site was acquired by the current landowner Mr Raleigh Place in 1976. Originally the site was cropped with predominately spring barley until 1974. At that time the farm entered into a HAB scheme and since then the area has been gradually restored to benefit a wide variety of flora and fauna, particularly Stone Curlew, which the site was noted for.

Tidgrove Warren Farm entered into a 10 year Higher Level Stewardship agreement with Natural England in September 2014.

1.3 Recent and current Management

Much of the grassland at this site has been allowed to return to scrub with a combination of Hawthorn, Blackthorn, Privet, Hazel and Dogwood. It will be important not to allow these areas to become too dense with degenerate thorn and to allow a combination of older mature scrub, areas of rotational scrub, light scrub as well as calcareous grassland. In the areas of lighter and rotational scrub it is hoped that species such as the Duke of Burgundy will be able to colonise, the larva feeding on Primulas which will become more abundant in the sward.

Mature Birch and Sycamore trees have been felled helping to prevent the spread of seedlings that would lead to these species becoming dominant.

It is hoped that Juniper will be introduced. Juniper trees will also need to be protected by cattle and sheep. Seed cages may need to be introduced in the immediate vicinity of the berry bearing female Juniper trees to assist regeneration. The areas where the cages are placed will be cleared revealing some bare soil, so that any berries which fall in these areas will have a greater chance of germinating and growing without being shaded out by grasses and also protected from cattle, sheep and rabbits.

The mature hedges that surround the site are a very valuable habitat and could be enhanced with the introduction of disease resistant Elm trees.

1.4 Landscape Assessment

Tidgrove Warren Farm consists of a series gently sloping areas of chalk grassland, prominent areas of scrub and partially wooded margins.

The ambience of the site is enhanced by the presence of many archaeological features, such as the remains of the medieval hunting lodge. In the summer months, the area is warm place alive with birdsong, flowering plants and seas of swaying grasses. In the autumn the character changes with the scrub and the abundance of berries offering a contrast to the open grassland. Although during the winter months, Tidgrove Warren can be bleak and exposed, it is a valuable source of food for overwintering birds such as Short Eared Owls.

1.5 Biological Evaluation

The property is noted as an important site within Hampshire for its butterflies and chalk grassland communities which are supported through various stages of development as well as for its mixed scrub habitat which is particularly important for bird species such as Turtle Dove and winter visitors. Butterfly species recorded in recent years include Brown Argus, Small Blue, Green Hairstreak and Dark Green Fritillary (see Appendix 1 for full list of Lepitoptera recoded). It is possible, with suitable habitat management, that other chalk grassland species such as Chalk-hill Blue, Adonis Blue and Silver Spotted Skipper, may colonise the site from other near-by localities in Hampshire.

The chalk grassland flora has undergone changes with rabbit grazing, drought summers, sheep grazing and scrub clearance. However in general the calcareous grassland has remained herb rich (see Appendix 3 for list of flora present). The presence of scrub communities and woodland edge also provide a valuable habitat for birds and invertebrates. Tidgrove Warren Farm has a rich avifauna which includes Skylark, Garden Warbler, Kestrel, Long-eared Owl, Bullfinch and Whitethroat.



Figures 2, 3 and 4. Dark Green Fritillary (top left) and Marbles White (top right), tow familiar butterfly species at Tidgrove. Nemophora metallica on Field Scabious at Tidgrove (above).



Figure 5. The landscape at Tidgrove Warren which includes a rich mosaic of chalk grassland, various age classes of scrub and woodland.

2.0 Management Objectives

2.1 Natural History

Broadly speaking, Tidgrove Warren Farm can be split into three habitat types: chalk grassland, scrub and woodland.

2.2 Chalk Grassland

Chalk grassland comprises some of the most species-rich habitat in lowland England.

Where possible, use livestock to manage sward heights in preference to cutting. Correct management will allow and encourage more plants to flower over the summer months. Sheep selectively graze flower heads so in the spring it is best to graze with other stock.

Chalk grassland in April and May should support early perennial flowers such as Cowslip and Early Purple Orchid, and small annuals such as Early Forget-me-not and Rue-leaved Saxifrage. Nectar and pollen are scare in the spring so flowers are particularly valuable to bumblebees, solitary bees and butterflies such as the Grizzled Skipper and the scarce Duke of Burgundy. This includes the flowers of shrubs such as Blackthorn, Hawthorn and Sallow.

Generally, the site should aim for:

- A fairly short sward (5-10cm tall) over most of the site.
- Taller clumps of vegetation (15-30cm tall) on up to a third of the area.
- Small areas (2-5%) of bare ground.
- Scattered scrub surrounded by taller herbage.



Figures 6 & 7. An example of a herb-rich sward (above) including species such as Bird's foot trefoil. Chalk grassland in summer (below) with Clustered Bellflower, Scabious and Hawkbits.



Figure 8. Fragrant Orchid amongst chalk grassland at Tidgrove Warren Farm.

Chalk grassland in summer should be full of flowers and butterflies and other insects. Common flowers should include Bird's Foot Trefoil and Salad Burnet. Richer swards may contain Kidney Vetch, Common Rock Rose, Greater Knapweed, Small Scabious, Carline Thistle, Mouse-ear Hawkweed, Thyme, Fairy Flax, Stemless Thistle, Bee and Pyramidal Orchids.

The grassland areas vary across the site in type and turf height. This is influenced by depth of soil, localised heavy rabbit pressure and grazing. This mosaic of different turn heights and composition has lead to a varied invertebrate fauna and a range of flowering plants. Much of the grassland is herb-rich and overall supports a good diversity of characteristic calcareous grassland species. The richest grassland is likely to occur on steeper slopes and earthwork banks.

Rabbit grazing may become a problem, particularly in drought years. Rabbit populations can be kept low by shooting or ferreting, although this option may be limited due to the presence of archaeological features.

Some bare ground will enhance the mosaic of grassland features, however should this become more serious, eroded tracks etc can be repaired with crushed chalk.



Figures 9 & 10. Stone Curlew chicks (above) and eggs, photographed on special scrapes created for this species and which were used successfully since 2013.

Uncultivated and cropped areas (as identified in the Natural England HLS agreement) are used for nesting by birds such as Stone Curlew and Lapwing. The plots should be prepared during February and March, before breeding begins and must be retained until at least 31st July. This area consists of 12 acres and it is suggested that this should be divided into four separate 4 x4x acre plots, as indicated on the habitat map (appendix 6.)

2.3 Scrub

The scrub communities play an important part in the management of the site in both a positive and negative way. The scrub can be separated into different categories:

1. Mature Scrub. This comprises of a variety of typical species and provides habitat and food sources for birds and invertebrates. It requires management to prevent the development of secondary woodland and to prevent damage to archaeology. It is important to create a healthy age class of scrub species and to avoid endangered species such as Juniper from being smothered by dense scrub.

2. Middle age scrub/rotational scrub. This is either scrub that has been periodically cut or has recently developed. This scrub can be of a height of 1 - 2 metres but it is important that newly developed scrub does not invade areas of chalk grassland. A certain amount will need to be cut and removed on a regular cycle.

3. Seedling scrub/light scrub. This will be kept under control by grazing or by chemical treatment. Some areas will also be cut for hay and this method will also help to control the development of seedling scrub.

Key issues in the management of scrub:

- i. Existing scrub should not be allowed to develop into woodland.
- ii. Scrub should be removed in order to reclaim chalk grassland (where practical and appropriate depending on different scrub types).
- iii. A range of scrub heights and age classes and communities should be present at the site.
- iv. No further areas of chalk grassland should be lost to scrub invasion.
- v. Archaeological features should be cleared of scrub to prevent root and rabbit damage where it occurs.
- vi. Grazing density and type should be sufficient to manage the site. Grazing should be monitored to ensure that there are sufficient numbers of animals to make the required impact. In years of fewer animals, other methods such as foraging/hay making may be required.
- vii. Areas of Hazel within mature scrub should be managed for invertebrates such as the scarce leaf beetle (*Altica brevicollis*) and other associated species.
- viii. A mosaic of 20% scrub and 80% grassland should be maintained throughout the site.

- ix. Prevent the further loss of any Juniper by selective removal of scrub and invasive tree species. Possibly use seed cages to help cultivate seedlings.
- x. Retain any Yew or Beech trees within scrub areas.



Figure 11. Long-eared Owl chicks photographed at Tidgrove Warren Farm after successful breeding in 2014.

Key birds recorded at Tidgrove Warren:

During the summer, up to two pairs of Stone Curlew breed on the site (on the specially prepared Stone Curlew plots). There are also up to 15 pairs of Lapwing and 2 pairs of Long-eared Owls. Long-eared Owls clearly have a concentration in the Overton to Kingsclere area and it is thought that there may be 5 - 6 breeding pairs in this general area. These are the only known Long-eared Owls currently in Hampshire, although they are known to be difficult to detect.

During the winter, Short-eared Owls are usually present and also one or two Hen Harriers. These are all scarce birds in Hampshire and the management of the grassland and mature scrub is particularly important for their survival.

2.4 Woodland

Areas of woodland are mainly along the boundaries of Tidgrove Warren, along the main track and surrounding the farm buildings.

Woodland areas should contain a variety of trees, shrubs and grassland. They support a great abundance of wildlife, including rare and declining species. Old trees (veteran trees) are valuable for their biological, historic, cultural and landscape importance.

Generally speaking, do not plough or cultivate, soil compaction or the use of fertilisers within 15 times the diameter of the trunk of an old or veteran tree. Do not fell old trees, remove lower limbs or undertake unskilled tree surgery. Do not allow trees to be damaged by livestock. Where possible, plant suitable native trees to replace old trees when they eventually die.

Decaying wood can be very important to fungi, invertebrates, birds and mammals. This can be valuable wherever it occurs, including the tree trunk, branches of living trees, standing dead trees or fallen limbs. It is best to leave trees unmanaged (providing it is safe). Leave dead branches on trees and leave standing trees that have died. Also leave fallen limbs uncut beneath the tree and avoid disturbing the roots, trunk and main limbs of fallen trees.

Sycamore Birch and Ash are of little value and should be cleared as much as possible. Yew and Beech should be encouraged and where older trees are degenerating, tree surgery may be necessary to ensure that they are safe. Coppicing and pollarding are important traditional woodland management operations and where possible, maintain open features such as glades. Hazel is of great value to biodiversity and ideally should be coppiced on a regular 5 -7 year cycle.

Trees and scrubs in a grassland mosaic can be a valuable buffer and link between habitats. This habitat mosaic is dynamic and management is required to maintain a diverse structure and prevent dense scrub or woodland developing. Cutting and clearing of trees should generally take place in winter, outside the bird nesting season and after the berries have been eaten. Encourage a variety of species, height and age structures of trees and shrubs.

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2.5 Lakes and Ponds

There are two large lakes on the site. The first is near the main farm buildings and a second slightly smaller lake is situated to the north of the farm in field parcel 9842.

The main lake near to the farm is used for breeding by Common Toad, which is of great value. If smaller pools could be created elsewhere on the estate, these would be of great value to other amphibians such as Smooth Newt and Common Frog and invertebrates (particularly Odonata species).

3.0 Management Prescriptions

3.1 Calcareous grassland

The management of the grassland is dependent on the grazing regime of domestic stock, the control of rabbits, the clearance of scrub and to a lesser extent, the control of erosion and poaching.

Scrub control in areas within the rotational scrub areas (see map in Appendix X), will be carried out on a rotational schedule. The scrub should be cut or swiped and treatment of stumps and re-growth should take place. The grassland areas will retain areas of scattered scrub so as to provide shelter as well as habitat diversity. Any newly developing scrub can generally be spot sprayed. The most effective chemical is found to be Garlon 4 for most scrub species and Timbrel has also been used successfully.

Dense areas of scrub can be removed to reclaim chalk grassland. This can include scalloping of bays and clearings and the creation of glades. It is important to ensure that suitable areas of scrub are maintained for invertebrate interest, as well as for birds and small mammals.

If Ragwort is an issue, this can be controlled by weed wiping, spot treatment and pulling by hand and machine. This will ensure that Ragwort is prevented from spreading and harmful to grazing stock. Creeping Thistle may also be a problem and should not be any more than occasional on the site.

Over-grazing will create too much bare ground. This will encourage thistles, ragwort and other undesirable species to invade. However under-grazing will allow rank dead

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herbage and plant litter to block light from smaller species and prevent them from flowering. Scrub can also invade and shade out grasses and flowers.



Figures 12 & 13. An area of rotational scrub at Tidgrove Warren (above). Clearings within the light scrub should include patches of flowers such as Kidney Vetch, Common Rock Rose, Greater Knapweed and Cowslip (below).

3.2 Scrub

Areas of scrub that are not cleared in order to reclaim grassland will require management to prevent natural succession to woodland and maintain a varied structure. This will be undertaken by rotational coppicing and the removal of tree species such as Birch, Oak and Sycamore in established scrub blocks. In such places trees can be ring-barked to kill the tree and to provide standing dead wood habitat, particularly for invertebrates. Larger trees should only be present at irregular spacings, with an overall canopy of between 3% and 10% of the area. Scrub should be rotationally cut at approximately 10% of the scrub per year (excluding any Juniper).

Young Buckthorn scrub should be encouraged as a laval foodplant for the Brimstone butterfly. Scrub should cover 20% to 50% of the area and the vegetation within 2m of the edge of the scrub should be taller than 30cm. Species such as Cowslip, Birds Foot Trefoil, Ladies bedstraw, Black Meddick, Meadow Buttercup and Kidney Vetch (foodplant of the Small Blue butterfly), should be at least occasional within this area.

3.3 Woodland

Trees should be inspected annually along paths and tracks to ensure that they are healthy and are not dangerous. Mature Sycamores can be removed to prevent further seedlings. Any Yews should be preserved and should any planting be necessary, such as to fill gaps in the hedge, native species such as Hazel, Field Maple and Hawthorn should be used.



Figure 14. An area of mixed woodland at Tidgrove Warren, along the main track.

| Management | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 | Year 7 | Year 8 | Year 9 | Year 10 |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Control of Ragwort | June - August |
| Surveying and Recording | | | | | | | | | |
| Butterflies | April - Sept |
| Reptiles | | April - Sept |
| Aerial photography | June | | June | | June | | June | | June |
| Grazing (Summer) | April - Sept |
| Grazing (winter) | Oct - Dec |
| Spraying of scrub | June - Aug |
| Scrub clearance (HLS) | Oct - Feb |
| Hedgerow maintenance (inc gapping up and coppicing) | Dec - Jan |

Table 1. Ten-year management plan. The scrub to grassland target ratio should be 20% scrub to 80% grassland, to be achieved by woodland and scrub management over the course of the HLS agreement.

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Lepidoptera recorded

| Code | Taxon | Vernacular | Site | Gridref | Vice County | Quantity | Date |
|------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|----------|----------------|----------|-------------|
| 1875 | Asthena albulata | Small White Wave | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1936 | Menophra abruptaria | Waved Umber | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 5 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 0608 | Elachista | | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 10 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 2064 | Phragmatobia fuliginosa | Ruby Tiger | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1906 | Opisthograptis luteolata | Brimstone Moth | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 13 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 2190 | Orthosia gothica | Hebrew Character | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 5 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1888 | Ligdia adustata | Scorched Carpet | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 3 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1724 | Xanthorhoe spadicearia | Red Twin-spot | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 2 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1852 | Eupithecia abbreviata | Brindled Pug | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 9 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1853 | Eupithecia dodoneata | Oak-tree Pug | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 4 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1651 | Cilix glaucata | Chinese Character | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1860 | Pasiphila rectangulata | Green Pug | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 3 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1860 | Pasiphila rectangulata | Green Pug | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 3 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1883 | Acasis viretata | Yellow-barred Brindle | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 2 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1738 | Epirrhoe alternata | Common Carpet | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 2028 | Calliteara | Pale Tussock | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 5 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 2425 | Colocasia corvli | Nut-tree Tussock | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 9 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1997 | Furcula furcula | Sallow Kitten | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 2011 | Pterostoma palpina | Pale Prominent | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 2 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 2015 | Drymonia ruficornis | Lunar Marbled Brown | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 0150 | Adela reaumurella | | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 0986 | Syndemis musculana | | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 3 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 0228 | Monopis weaverella | | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1858 | Chloroclystis v- ata | V-Pug | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1955 | Cabera pusaria | Common White Wave | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1776 | Colostygia pectinataria | Green Carpet | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1660 | Polyploca ridens | Frosted Green | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 2003 | Notodonta ziczac | Pebble Prominent | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 2060 | Spilosoma lubricipeda | White Ermine | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 3 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1750 | Lampropteryx suffumata | Water Carpet | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 2 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1747 | Anticlea derivata | Streamer | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 1727 | Xanthorhoe montanata | Silver-ground Carpet | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 2092 | Agrotis puta | Shuttle-shaped Dart | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |

| 0966 | Cochylis atricapitana | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
|------|--------------------------------|-----------------|----------|----|---|-------------|
| 0305 | Parornix scoticella | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 0329 | Phyllonorycter spinicolella | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |
| 0607 | Elachista canapennella | Tidgrove Warren | SU527549 | 12 | 1 | 24 Apr 2011 |

Table 2. List of moths recorded at Tidgrove Warren Farm in 2011 by Graham Dennis by MV trap (part night).

| Butterflies | Moths - day flying observations |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Small Skipper | Mother Shipton |
| Large Skipper | Burnet Companion |
| Brimstone | Common Carpet |
| Large White | Silver-ground Carpet |
| Small White | Silver Y |
| Green-veined White | Cinnabar |
| Orange tip | Dusky Sallow |
| Brown Argus | Yellow Shell |
| Common Blue | Nemophora metallica |
| Red Admiral | Brown-line Bright-eye |
| Painted Lady | Shaded Broad-bar |
| Small Tortoiseshell | |
| Peacock | |
| Comma | |
| Speckled Wood | |
| Marbled White | |
| Gatekeeper | |
| Meadow Brown | |
| Ringlet | |
| Small Copper | |
| Holly Blue | |
| Essex Skipper | |
| Dark Green Fritillary | |
| Small Heath | |
| Clouded Yellow | |
| Silver Washed Fritillary | |
| Small Blue | |
| Green Hairstreak | |

Table 3. Butterflies and moths recorded by Andy Bolton at Tidgrove Warren 2010 – 2014. Bold text indicates more local and therefore significant species

Birds and Mammals recorded

| Little Grebe | Lapwing | Meadow Pipit |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| Little Egret * | Woodcock | Grey Wagtail |
| Grey Heron | Black-headed Gull | Pied Wagtail |
| Canada Goose | Common Gull | Wren |
| Mallard | Lesser Black-backed Gull | Dunnock |
| Tufted Duck | Stock Dove | Robin |
| Red Kite | Woodpigeon | Whinchat |
| Hen Harrier | Collared Dove | Stonechat |
| Montagu's Harrier * | Cuckoo | Wheatear |
| Sparrowhawk | Barn Owl | Blackbird |
| Buzzard | Little Owl | Fieldfare |
| Kestrel | Tawny Owl | Song Thrush |
| Hobby | Long-eared Owl | Redwing |
| Peregrine | Short-eared Owl | Mistle Thrush |
| Red-legged Partridge | Nightjar * | Lesser Whitethroat |
| Grey Partridge | Swift | Whitethroat |
| Pheasant | Green Woodpecker | Garden Warbler |
| Moorhen | Great Spotted Woodpecker | Blackcap |
| Coot | Skylark | Chiffchaff |
| Stone Curlew | Swallow | Willow Warbler |
| Golden Plover | House Martin | Goldcrest |

| Spotted Flycatcher | Jay | Chaffinch |
|--------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Long-tailed Tit | Magpie | Greenfinch |
| Marsh Tit | Jackdaw | Goldfinch |
| Coal Tit | Rook | Linnet |
| Blue Tit | Carrion Crow | Lesser Redpoll |
| Great Tit | Raven | Bullfinch |
| Nuthatch | Starling | Yellowhammer |
| Treecreeper | House Sparrow | Reed Bunting |

Table 4. Birds recorded by Keith Betton, Barry Stalker and Raleigh Place (*) between 2009 and 2014.

| Brown Hare | Numerous |
|------------|-------------------------------------|
| Dormouse | Recorded in SU5054 & SU5053 in 2010 |

Table 5. Scarce mammals recorded at Tidgrove Warren (Natural England FEP).

Flora recorded

Code Taxon 21 Aethusa cynapium 22 Agrimonia eupatoria 39 Agrostis stolonifera 99 Anagallis arvensis 113 Anisantha sterilis 131 Aphanes arvensis agg. 161 Arenaria serpyllifolia sens. lat. 169 Arrhenatherum elatius 250 Brachypodium sylvaticum 325 Capsella bursa-pastoris 444 Centaurea nigra 446 Centaurea scabiosa 5486 Centaurium erythraea 467 Cerastium fontanum 515 Cirsium arvense 522 Cirsium vulgare 528 Clematis vitalba 530 Clinopodium vulgare 544 Convolvulus arvensis 548 Cornus sanguinea 557 Corylus avellana 569 Crataegus monogyna 607 Dactylis glomerata 5474 Daucus carota 762 Euonymus europaeus 771 Euphorbia exigua 841 Fraxinus excelsior 873 Galium aparine 879 Galium mollugo 888 Galium verum 907 Geranium dissectum 968 Heracleum sphondylium 983 Holcus lanatus 1010 Hypericum hirsutum 1014 Hypericum perforatum 1084 Knautia arvensis 1104 Lapsana communis 1124 Legousia hybrida 502 Leucanthemum vulgare 1144 Ligustrum vulgare 1164 Linaria vulgaris 1183 Lolium perenne 1250 Medicago lupulina 1317 Myosotis arvensis 1361 Odontites vernus 1377 Ononis repens 1424 Papaver argemone 1430 Papaver rhoeas 2247 Phleum pratense sens. lat. 1476 Pimpinella saxifraga 1487 Plantago lanceolata

Vernacular

Fool's Parsley Agrimony Creeping Bent / Fiorin Scarlet Pimpernel Barren Brome Parsley Piert

False Oat-Grass False-brome / Wood False-brome Shepherd's-purse Common Knapweed / Black Knapweed / Hardhead Greater Knapweed Common Centaury Common Mouse-ear **Creeping Thistle** Spear Thistle Traveller's Joy / Old Man's Beard Wild Basil Field Bindweed Dogwood Hazel Hawthorn Cock's-foot Wild Carrot Spindle / Spindle-tree Dwarf Spurge Ash Cleavers / Goosegrass Hedge Bedstraw Lady's Bedstraw Cut-leaved Crane's-bill Hogweed / Cow Parsnip / Keck Yorkshire-fog Hairy St. John's-wort Perforate St. John's-wort / Common St. John's Wort **Field Scabious** Nipplewort Venus's-looking-glass Oxeye Daisy Wild Privet Common Toadflax / Butter and Eggs Perennial Rye-grass / Common Rye-grass Black Medick Field Forget-me-not / Common Forget-me-not Red Bartsia Common Restharrow / Rest-harrow Prickly Poppy / Long-headed Bristly Poppy / Pale Poppy Common Poppy / Corn Poppy Timothy Burnet-saxifrage **Ribwort Plantain**

| Plantago major | Greater Plantain / Ratstail Plantain |
|---------------------------|---|
| Poa pratensis sens. lat. | Smooth Meadow-grass |
| Polygonum aviculare agg. | Knot-grass (agg.) |
| Prunella vulgaris | Selfheal |
| Prunus spinosa | Blackthorn |
| Rhamnus cathartica | Buckthorn |
| Rubus caesius | Dewberry |
| Scabiosa columbaria | Small Scabious |
| Sherardia arvensis | Field Madder |
| Silene latifolia | White Campion |
| Sonchus arvensis | Perennial Sow-thistle / Corn Sow-thistle |
| Sorbus aria agg. | Whitebeam |
| Torilis japonica | Upright Hedge-parsley / Hedge Parsley |
| Trifolium repens | White Clover |
| Tripleurospermum inodorum | Scentless Mayweed |
| Veronica arvensis | Wall Speedwell |
| Veronica chamaedrys | Germander Speedwell / Birdseye Speedwell |
| Veronica persica | Common Field-speedwell / Buxbaum's Speedwell |
| Viburnum lantana | Wayfaring-tree |
| Vicia hirsuta | Hairy Tare |
| Viola arvensis | Field Pansy |
| | Plantago major Poa pratensis sens. lat. Polygonum aviculare agg. Prunella vulgaris Prunus spinosa Rhamnus cathartica Rubus caesius Scabiosa columbaria Sherardia arvensis Silene latifolia Sonchus arvensis Sorbus aria agg. Torilis japonica Trifolium repens Tripleurospermum inodorum Veronica arvensis Veronica chamaedrys Veronica persica Viburnum lantana Vicia hirsuta Viola arvensis |

Table 6. Flora recoded at Tidgrove Warren Farm in July 2010.

Archaeological Map



Area surrounding Tidgrove Warren Farm map from Greenwood 1826.

Aerial photograph



Habitat Map



