

Progress Report 2008:LOWLAND CALCAREOUS GRASSLAND (adopted '04) Reporting Partner: Ruth Moffatt

Action Plan Objectives & Targets Some dates reviewed 2008	Actions	2007 Target trend & progress (Anton Irving)	2007 Plan trend & progress (Anton Irving)	2007 * HBA status	2008 Target trend & progress	2008 Plan trend & progress
A. To maintain the current extent of all lowland calcareous grassland above 0.5ha 2004-2015	PL1 PL2 PL3 SM5 SM6 RM2	<p>◄—► Some progress (on schedule)</p> <p>No reports of losses received</p>	<p>↑</p> <p>Some progress with SSSIs and exciting opportunities at SINCS through partnership working with owners.</p>	<p>No change</p>	<p>◄—► Some progress (on schedule)</p> <p>The procedure for designating new SSSIs is in preparation.</p>	<p>↑</p> <p>No clear trend but progress with action plan continues.</p>
B. To improve the condition of all lowland calcareous grassland above 0.25ha that is currently in unfavourable condition to favourable or improving By 2006	PL2 SM1 SM2 SM3 SM5 SM6 A1 A2 RM2	<p>↑ Some progress (behind schedule)</p> <p>Scrub control on some SSSIs in progress and discussions to secure the management of a significant area at Harbury underway</p>			<p>↑ Some progress (behind schedule)</p> <p>BC: Work on bid for Southam area still in progress but aimed to be submitted in June 08.</p> <p>NE - progress secured by master plan for Bishops Bowl. NE - progress secured by master plan for Harbury with 1ha now in management proposals. Work completed 2007/8 winter.</p> <p>NE - work at Oxhouse Farm completed 2007/8 winter.</p>	

<p>C To increase the extent of the habitat by creating an additional 10 ha of lowland calcareous grassland including one site to be at least 5ha By 2015</p>	<p>SM3 SM4 SM5 SM6 A1 A2 RM2</p>	<p>↑ Some progress (on schedule) Potential sites at Harbury, Southam under discussion</p>			<p>↑ Some progress (on schedule) Proposals now incorporated in the development master plan for the Harbury site. Work at Oxhouse Farm completed 2007/8 winter.</p>	
<p>D. To promote good management practice, to share knowledge and to forge working partnerships with all key landowners 2004-2015</p>	<p>A1 A2</p>	<p>↔ Some progress (behind schedule) Underway but behind schedule</p>			<p>↔ Some progress (on schedule) FWAG - continuing progress Guidance available as guidelines published by DEFRA in 2005.</p>	
<p>E. To enhance public appreciation of lowland calcareous grassland 2004-2015</p>	<p>CP1</p>	<p>↑ Some progress (on schedule) Underway and on schedule</p>			<p>↑ Target achieved Achieved by the promotion of proper management through the HLS scheme (guidance published in 2005)</p>	
<p>F. To update the Habitat Biodiversity Audit with all known lowland calcareous grassland sites By 2004</p>	<p>PL3 RM1</p>	<p>↑ Some progress (behind schedule) Underway but behind schedule</p>			<p>↑ Some progress (behind schedule) Still in progress through the HBA - area of habitat now measured at 67.75ha.</p>	