

Hawkshill Common Floral Survey 2017

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Introduction

There is very little change in the floral composition of Hawksdown this year. The most noticeable is the increasing spread of St John's Wort, which is most welcomed.

The preparation of the ground at the west bank part of Hawksdown was very beneficial as it has eradicated many of the invasive woody 'nuisance plants'; hopefully, this will encourage the aim of a more diverse plant community.

Species (Chalk loving plants are shown in blue)	Dates seen on West Facing Bank	Dates seen elsewhere on Hawkshill Common
Alexanders*	April	April,
Agrimony	July	July
Beaked Hawkesbeard	July	
Birds-foot Trefoil	June - Sept	June – Sept
Black Hoarhound		July
Black Medick	June, July	July, Aug
Black Mustard	June	
Bladder Campion	June, July	June, July
Bramble*		June
Bristly Ox-Tongue	April - Sept	April – Sept
Broadleaf Dock*		June
Broomrape		June-Sept
Bulbous Buttercup	June	
Burnet Saxifrage	Aug, Sept	Aug, Sept
Cat's Ear	July – Sept	July – Sept
Clustered Dock*		June
Common Mallow*	July	July
Charlock*		June
Common Ragwort	July	July
Common Toadflax		Aug
Common Vetch	Aug	Aug
Cow Parsley*		June
Cowslip	May	
Creeping Buttercup*	May	June
Creeping Cinquefoil		July
Creeping Thistle*	July, Aug	July, Aug
Cuckoo Pint		April
Curled Dock	June, July	June, July
Cut-Leaved Geranium*		June
Dandelion	April, May	April, May
Dog Rose*	July, Aug	July, Aug
Dwarf Thistle	July – Sept	

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Elder*		June
Eyebright	Aug, Sept	
Fairyflax	July	Aug
Field Bindweed*	June, July	June, July
Field Scabious	Aug	Aug
Garlic (Crow)		June – Aug
Goats's Beard	June – Aug	June, July, Aug
Goosegrass*	June, July	July, Aug
Great Bindweed*		July, Aug
Greater Knapweed	July – Sept	July – Sept
Greater Plantain		
Ground Elder*		June
Ground Ivy*		June
Hairy Willowherb*		June
Harebell	July – Sept	
Hawkweed*		June
Hedge Bedstraw	June, July	
Hedge Garlic*	May, June	June
Hedge Mustard	June	July, Aug
Hedge Parsley*		June
Herb Bennett"	June, July	June
Herb Robert*		June – Aug
Hoary Cress*		June
Hogweed*		July
Holly*		June
Honeysuckle*		July
Hop Trefoil	July	
Horse Radish	June	
Ivy*		June
Kidney Vetch	June, July	June, July
Knapweed	June	June, July
Lady's Bedstraw	June - Sept	June – Sept
Lesser Celandine		
Lesser Knapweed	July - Sept	July – Sept
Majoram	July - Sept	July – Sept
Meadow Vetchling	July	July
Milkwort	June - Sept	
Nettle*		June
Mugwort		Aug
Nettle*		
Nipplewort	June, July	June, July
Ox-Eye Daisy	June, July	June, July
Pyramidal Orchid		July
Pineapple Weed		July
Pink Oxalis*		June
Poppy	June	July, Aug
Prickly Lettuce	June, July	
Prickly Sowthistle	June, July	June, July
Primrose	April, May	
Privet*		June

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Purple Toadflax	June, July, Aug	
Ragwort	Aug, Sept	Aug, Sept
Red Bartsia	July - Sept	July – Sept
Red Clover		Aug
Red Deadnettle	April, May	
Ribwort Plantain	June - Aug	June – Aug
Rosey Garlic		
Sainfoin	June - Aug	June – Aug
Salad Burnet	June, July	
Sanicle*		June
Scarlet Pimpernel		
Scentless Mayweed		Aug
Selfheal	July	
Sheeps Sorrel*		June
Silverweed	June	
Small Scabious	July - Sept	July – Sept
Smooth Sowthistle	June, July	
Spanish Bluebell	May	
Spear Thistle	July, Aug	July, Aug
Stinking Iris*		June
Squinancy Wort	July – Sept	July – Sept
St John's Wort, Perforate	June, July	
Teasel	June – Aug	June – Aug
Three Cornered Leek*		June
Travellers Joy*	June – Aug	June – Aug
Tufted Vetch	July, Aug	July, Aug
Upright Hedge Parsley	July	
Vipers Buglos	June – Aug	June – Aug
Wall Lettuce*		June
White Champion*	July	July
White Clover		July
White Deadnettle*		June – Aug
Wild Carrot	June - Sept	June – Sept
Wild Parsnip		Aug
Wild Thyme	Aug	Aug
Winter Heliotrope*		June
Woody Nightshade	June – Aug	
Wood Dock*		June
Yarrow	Sept	July, Aug

Grasses		
Barren Brome	June	July
Cocksfoot*	June, July	July, Aug
Common Brome	June	July, Aug
Couch	July	Aug
False Oat	July, Aug	
Foxtail	July	July, Aug
Grey Sedge*		June
Lesser Cat's Tail	July, Aug	July

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Lesser Quaking Grass	July	Aug
Perenneal Rye	July	June – Aug
Rye Grass	June	June – Aug
Soft Brome	July, Aug	July
Smooth Bent	July, Aug	
Timothy	June	July, Aug
Wall Barley	June, July	July, Aug

Total Number of Species: 136

Nuisance Plants on West Facing Bank

Ash, Bramble, Hawthorn, Ivy, Nettle, Sycamore, Travellers' Joy