

Chillerton and Gatcombe parish verge survey 2020

This coding is optional and can be placed next to each plant identified

F - Plant is frequently found . O - Plant is occasionally found. R - Plant is rarely found.

Name of surveyor Roger & Sally Hall	Date 11 th May 2020
Place and length of verge Rectory Lane from it's junction with Whitcombe Road up to the top of the hill and the turning into bridleway G10. C560m.	
Verge type and orientation. Walking up from Whitcome Rd RHS is East facing and LHS West facing. Gently uphill at first becoming steeper past Hill Farm. RHS up to Hill Farm has a small ditch alongside the verge edge. Lower stretch up to Hill Farm is hedged on both sides with arable/pasture on either side. Top section is steeply banked, wooded and heavily shaded.	
Plants have finished flowering Bluebell, Red Deadnettle, Dog violet, Primrose, Wild strawberry, Celandine, White Campion Herb Robert, Wild Garlic	
Plants in flower White Deadnettle - F Red Campion - F Stitchwort – F (west facing verge) Cow Parsley - F Speedwell - F Dandelion - R Ground Ivy - O Common Daisy - O (only on short cut grass @ entrance to Hill Farm) Shepherd's Purse – R (in ditch on RHS) Green Alkanet – R (on edge of ditch, east facing) Buttercup – O (east facing side) Lords & Ladies - O Plantain - O	
Plants with foliage or are about to flower Goosegrass - F Harts Tongue fern – F - Predominantly in East facing verge Bracken - F Hemlock water dropwort – O (east facing side, in ditch) Himalayan Balsam – O (prolific on one stretch of ditch bank) Pendulous Sedge – O Stinging Nettles – F Docks – F	