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West Wood SSSI (23.8 ha) TL 621333

This wood comprises Ash (*Fraxinus excelsior*) with Field Maple (*Acer campestre*) and Hornbeam (*Carpinus betulus*). Pedunculate Oak (*Quercus robur*) standards are found in the eastern end of the wood. Hazel (*Corylus avellana*) forms the main component of the shrub layer with little Elder (*Sambucus nigra*), Hawthorn (*Crataegus monogyna*) and Blackthorn (*Prunus spinosa*). Bramble (*Rubus fruticosus*) and Dog's Mercury (*Mercurialis perennis*) dominate the ground flora. Species of interest include Oxlip (*Primula elatior**), Herb Paris (*Paris quadrifolia**), Greater Butterfly Orchid (*Platanthera chlorantha**), Broadleaved Helleborine (*Epipactis helleborine**), Bushgrass (*Calamagrostis epigejos**) and the rare Wood Barley (*Hordelymus europaeus**).