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#### **Ufd79. Wicken Water Marsh (2.8 ha) TL 516342**

The eastern section of this site comprises a dense Reed (*Phragmites australis*)-bed, surrounded by largely willow scrub. The western section comprises an overgrown Osier (*Salix viminalis*) bed, with overgrown scrub of Crack willow (*Salix fragilis*), Grey Willow (*Salix cinerea*) and Goat Willow (*Salix caprea*). Reedbed and wet woodland are both Biodiversity Action Plan habitats.

**LoWS Selection Criteria:** HCr5, HCr22

**Condition and Management Issues:** Whilst willow scrub is one of the important habitats here, it should not be allowed to spread at the expense of the open reedbed. Coppicing the willow scrub would add to the habitat diversity.

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