

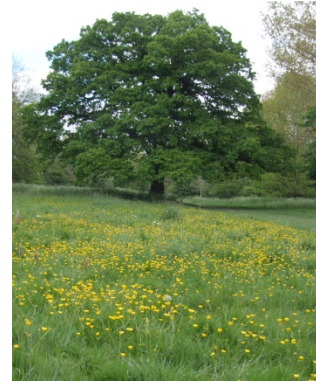
Long Meadow Groundflora Report



Cowslip



Knapweed



Buttercups

Long Meadow hosts a variety of wildflowers, some 65 species, providing colour from spring through the summer months into autumn.

Many are common grassland flowers such as buttercups, clovers and lesser knapweed. The yellows of the buttercups, cowslips and catsears contrast with the purple colour of lesser knapweed during summer.

In spring the delicate pink-tinged flowers of cuckoo flower stand out against the green background of the grasses in the damper areas of the meadow.

The woodland surrounds are home to a suite of flowers that tolerate some shade – bluebells, ramsons and wood anemones. These flower in spring before the tree canopy becomes dense enough to shut out the sunlight.

Some plants, such as red campion, grow best at the woodland edge where there is a blend of sun and shade.

These groundflora plants provide energy rich nectar for the butterflies, bumblebees and other insects that live in or visit the meadow.



Cuckoo flower



Red campion

Appendix – Species List

Nettle	<i>Urtica dioica</i>
Common sorrel	<i>Rumex acetosa</i>
Broad-leaved dock	<i>Rumex obtusifolius</i>
Common mouse-ear	<i>Cerastium fontanum</i>
Red campion	<i>Silene dioica</i>
Ragged robin	<i>Lychnis flos-cuculi</i>
Marsh marigold	<i>Caltha palustris</i>
Meadow buttercup	<i>Ranunculus acris</i>
Bulbous buttercup	<i>Ranunculus bulbosus</i>
Creeping buttercup	<i>Ranunculus repens</i>
Lesser celandine	<i>Ranunculus ficaria</i>
Goldilocks buttercup	<i>Ranunculus auricomus</i>
Wood anemone	<i>Anemone nemorosa</i>
Cuckoo flower	<i>Cardamine pratensis</i>
Garlic mustard	<i>Alliaria petiolata</i>
Meadowsweet	<i>Filipendula ulmaria</i>
Agrimony	<i>Agrimonia eupatoria</i>
Herb bennet	<i>Geum urbanum</i>
Creeping cinquefoil	<i>Potentilla reptans</i>
Goat's rue	<i>Galega officinalis</i>
Common vetch	<i>Vicia sativa</i>
Hairy tare	<i>Vicia hirsuta</i>
Grass vetchling	<i>Lathyrus nissolia</i>
Birdsfoot trefoil	<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>
Red clover	<i>Trifolium pratense</i>
White clover	<i>Trifolium repens</i>
Herb robert	<i>Geranium robertianum</i>

Dovesfoot cranesbill	<i>Geranium molle</i>
Violet (cultivated)	<i>Viola</i> sp
Dog's mercury	<i>Mercurialis perennis</i>
Great willowherb	<i>Epilobium hirsutum</i>
Purple loosestrife	<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>
Cow parsley	<i>Anthriscus sylvestris</i>
Ground elder	<i>Aegopodium podagraria</i>
Hogweed	<i>Heracleum sphondylium</i>
Cowslip	<i>Primula veris</i>
Great bindweed	<i>Calystegia silvatica</i>
Common cleavers	<i>Galium aparine</i>
Ground ivy	<i>Glechoma hederacea</i>
White dead-nettle	<i>Lamium album</i>
Red dead-nettle	<i>Lamium purpureum</i>
Hedge woundwort	<i>Stachys sylvatica</i>
Red bartsia	<i>Odontites verna</i>
Germander speedwell	<i>Veronica chamaedrys</i>
Hoary plantain	<i>Plantago media</i>
Ribwort plantain	<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>
Daisy	<i>Bellis perennis</i>
Pineapple mayweed	<i>Chamomilla suaveolens</i>
Yarrow	<i>Achillea millefolium</i>
Ox-eye daisy	<i>Leucanthemum vulgare</i>
Common ragwort	<i>Senecio jacobaea</i>
Lesser burdock	<i>Arctium minus</i>
Creeping thistle	<i>Cirsium arvense</i>
Black knapweed	<i>Centaurea nigra</i>
Dandelion	<i>Taraxacum</i> sect <i>Vugaria</i>
Common catsear	<i>Hypochaeris radicata</i>

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Flowering rush	<i>Butomus umbellatus</i>
Snake's head fritillary	<i>Fritillaria meleagris</i>
Ramsons	<i>Allium ursinum</i>
Bluebell	<i>Hyacinthoides non-scriptus</i>
Daffodil (cultivated)	<i>Narcissus</i> sp
Snowdrop	<i>Galanthus nivalis</i>
Lords and ladies	<i>Arum maculatum</i>
Yellow flag iris	<i>Iris pseudacorus</i>
Stinking iris	<i>Iris foetidissima</i>