

CHURCHYARD SURVEY FORM



SECTION 1

To be completed by NWT staff

Church name: **All Saints Church, Hemblington**

Site number:

Parish: **Hemblington**

District: **Broadland**

Area:

Grid reference: **TG 35275 11543**

Parking: **Limited – on verge nearby and on roadside**

Toilet facilities: **Level access W.C. x 1**

Contact details for County Wildlife Action team: **Gemma Walker and Emily Nobbs**

Weather Conditions: Fair

Date of survey : 6th July, 2016

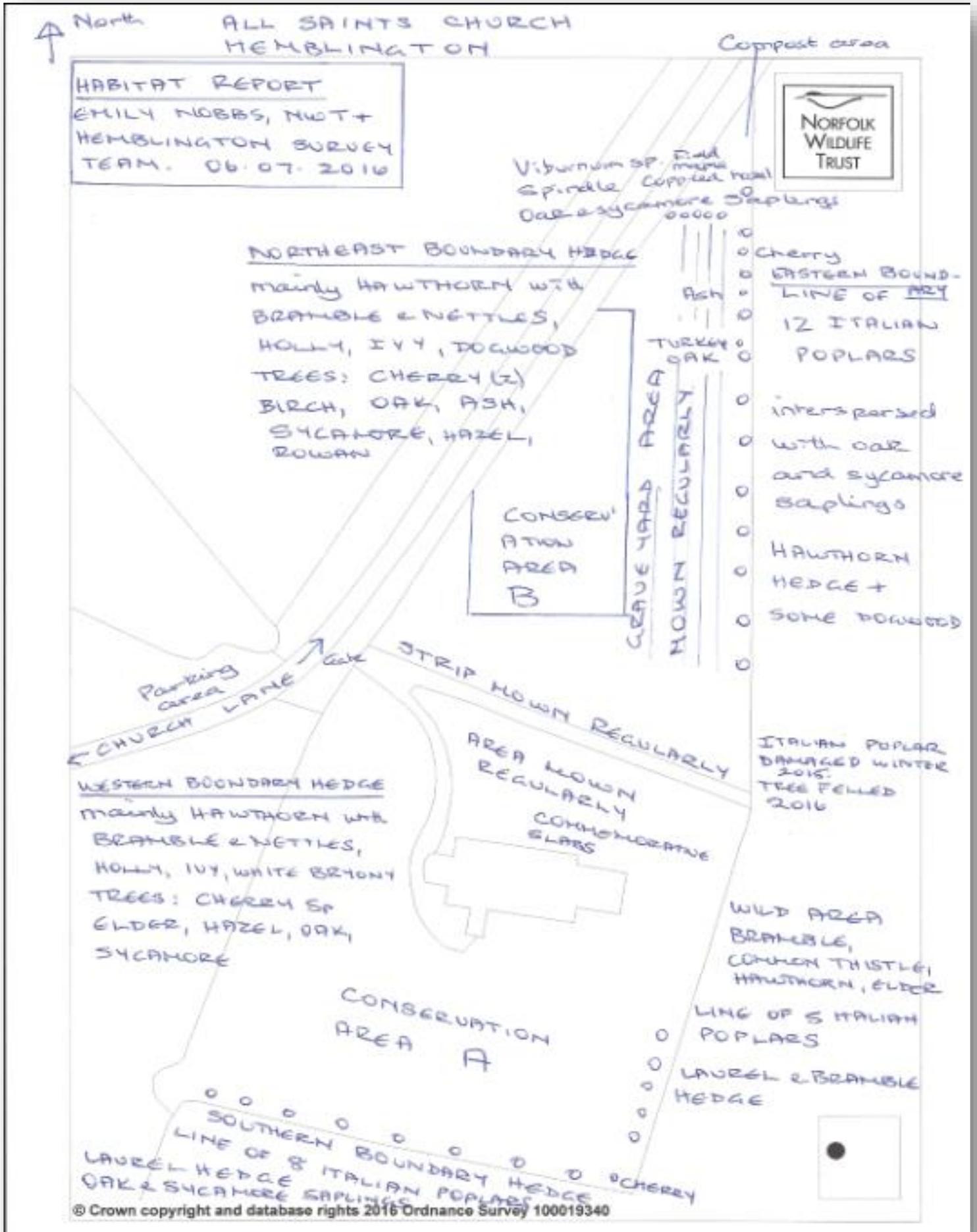
Name of surveyors : Emily Nobbs (NWT), June Drake, Barry Madden, Peter Rowe, Susan Rowe

Map of churchyard

Please include a copy of your annotated habitat maps for your site here; these can be added in after all the surveys have been completed. Show areas of particular botanical interest, cut and uncut areas, main trees, areas of scrub (bramble etc.) and existing conservation areas.

[See below](#)

NWT Habitat Survey of All Saints Church yards taken on 6th July, 2016



2. Does the churchyard have a defined conservation area(s)?

Yes

If yes, how many does it have? **Two**

3. Is the sward even and fine-textured - or coarse and tussocky - or closely mown?

Please detail, including if there is a combination:

Tended grave areas are closely mown as are grass paths through conservation areas. Sward in conservation area B (churchyard extension) is coarse in some areas but more open and finer where the yellow rattle has been seeded. Sward in conservation area A is uniform in appearance. The sward is moving towards becoming coarser. Need to ensure areas are cut and raked thoroughly twice a year, to keep the grass sward fine.

4. Are the grass cuttings raked off?

Yes

5. Are there significant unmanaged or neglected areas?

Please detail, including if there is a combination:

No

6. What sort of hedge do they have? Does it appear to be managed?

Please detail, including if there is a combination:

Mixed species hedges (including hawthorn, holly, bramble and some oak saplings) on the north, west and east boundaries. Mature laurel hedge is present on the south boundary.

7. Are ant hills present in the churchyard?

No

8. Any other comments:

Many Meadow Brown butterflies seen, plus a small tortoiseshell, large yellow underwing moth, Norfolk Hawker, red-tailed bumblebee, robin and chaffinch. Whitethroat and chiffchaff heard. Evidence of moles in churchyard and mice in church. Conservation area A has the best diversity of species including meadow vetchling, oxeye daisy, lesser stitchwort, common sorrel, bush vetch, bird's-foot trefoil and common knapweed. Conservation area B is on former agricultural land donated to the church in 1953. This area is higher in nutrients and therefore the species are indicative of this. However the yellow rattle is keeping the sward finer in places. Wild flowers found include oxeye daisy and common knapweed.

