

LOCAL WILDLIFE SITES.
UTTLESFORD DISTRICT
Ufd32. Free Wood



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Ufd32. Free Wood (26.7 ha) TL 477395

This ancient wood is dominated by Ash (*Fraxinus excelsior*), both as standards and old coppice stools, along with standards of Pedunculate Oak (*Quercus robur*) and coppiced Hazel (*Corylus avellana*) and Field Maple (*Acer campestre*). The ground flora is rich, particularly in proximity to rides and clearings, and includes Hairy St. John's-wort (*Hypericum hirsutum*), Dog's Mercury (*Mercurialis perennis*), Bluebell (*Hyacinthoides non-scripta*), Wood Anemone (*Anemone nemorosa*) and Crosswort (*Cruciata laevipes*). This site includes the ancient lane along the wood's northern boundary.

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