

EC Directive 79/409 on the Conservation of Wild Birds: Special Protection Area

WALMORE COMMON (GLOUCESTERSHIRE)

Walmore Common occupies a low-lying area in the Severn Vale which is subject to annual winter flooding. The site overlies the only significant area of peat in the County of Gloucestershire. The habitats represented include neutral grassland and open water ditches.

The site qualifies under article 4.1 by regularly supporting in winter internationally important numbers of Bewick's swan Cygnus columbianus bewickii. During the five-winter period 1986/87 to 1990/91 the average peak count was 207 birds (1% of the NW European population, 3% of British).

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