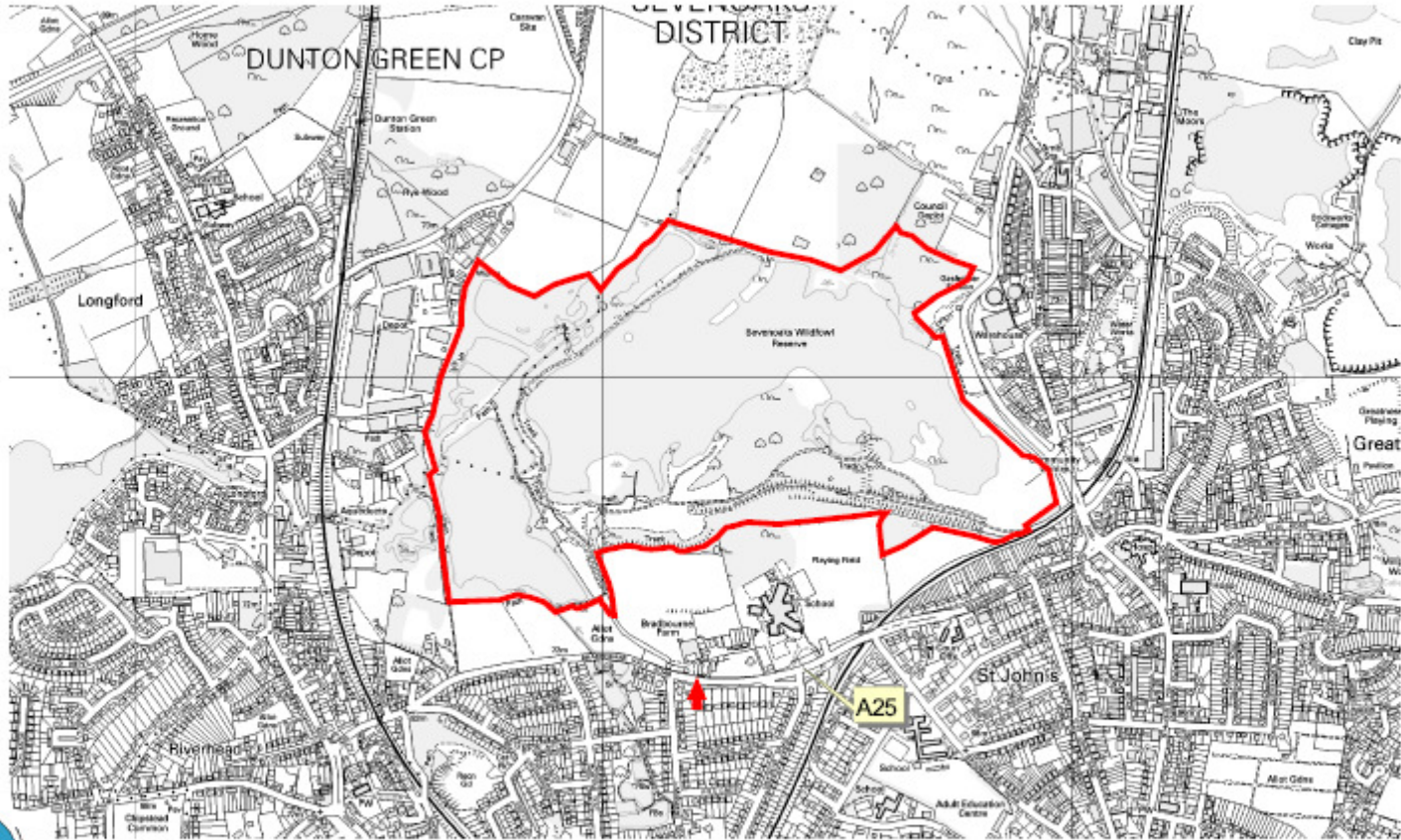


Kent Wildlife Trust Wildlife Study Day Information Sheet

No.	23	Title	Introduction to Wild Flowers	Date	Wednesday 30th June 2010
No. of students	5-15	Start time	10am	Finish time	3-4pm
Leader	<p>Joyce Pitt, the Trust botanist responsible for identifying the Kent Sites of Nature Conservation Interest, and a widely experienced tutor and leader of wild flower studies for many years.</p>				
Who should attend	This course is designed for absolute beginners				
Meeting place	At the Jeffery Harrison Visitor Centre, Sevenoaks Wildlife Reserve, on the north side of the A25, Bradbourne Vale Road, between Riverhead and the Bat and Ball crossroads. Map Ref TQ 520565				
Other sites to be visited	There is sufficient habitat within the reserve so no other sites will be visited.				
Programme	<p>We start in the classroom with an introduction to flowering plants. Students will examine specimens and will be shown the important parts required for plant identification and classification into families etc. Characters which provide short cuts to specific groups, and their particular habitats. How to find your way about an identification book will be discussed. We will visit various habitats within the reserve, collecting and bringing back specimens to the classroom for identification. The remainder of the day will be spent in the Visitor Centre of the Reserve with selected specimens, using the Wild Flower Key to confirm their identification.</p>				
Subjects to be covered	Vegetative and floral parts of plants, their habitats, and how to use these characters in keys.				
What to bring	A 10 or 8x hand lens is essential (some will be available to purchase or on loan). Clothing and footwear suitable for the conditions of the day and a picnic lunch. It would be useful to have a copy of either: The Wild Flower Key, by Francis Rose, or Excursion flora of the British Isles by Clapham, Tutin and Warburg. A few copies will be available for use on the day.				
Other information	Toilets, snacks and drinks are available at the centre				

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