

Name:**Wall bedstraw***Galium parisiense***UK status:**

Red Data List (Vulnerable). Nationally scarce (19 hectads). Declining

London status:

Very rare (3 sites). Continuing historic decline

Protected status:

W&CA S.13(b); general protection from uprooting without owners' permission

Relevant London HAPs:

Built environment; Wasteland; Churchyards & Cemeteries; Lea Valley BAP

Citation:

An annual of old walls and bare ground on calcareous or neutral substrates. It is intolerant of competition, and is susceptible to nutrient-enrichment. Always scarce, its historic decline has continued due to agricultural improvement and many ancient walls being either restored or completely demolished. In Greater London the plant occurs on wasteland at Tottenham Marshes (LB Haringey), and on old walls at Markfield Recreation Ground (LB Haringey) and St Martin's Church, Chelsfield (LB Bromley). These populations are all within Borough SINC. Managing authorities; Haringey Borough Council (Markfield Rec.), LVRPA (Tottenham Marshes), Bromley Borough Council (Chelsfield Church).



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Conservation priorities:

- Engage managing authorities
- Audit population sizes and vulnerability
- Review current management regimes as necessary
- Monitor and maintain all populations
- Protect any new populations emerging from further survey

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