SITE SYNOPSIS

SITE NAME: GLANMIRE WOOD

SITE CODE: 001054

Glanmire Wood occurs on the east bank of the Glashaboy River, immediately south of Glanmire village in East Cork. The following description of the site is largely based on the 1986 An Foras Forbartha County Report.

The main habitat of interest is mixed broad-leaved woodlands dominated by oak (*Quercus* spp.), Beech (*Fagus sylvatica*) and Sycamore (*Acer pseudoplatanus*) with a few conifers, especially European Silver-fir (*Abies alba*). The ground flora is particularly rich and includes two grasses, Wood Fescue (*Festuca altissima*) and Wood Millet (*Milium effusum*), which are thought to indicate ancient woodland. More commonly occurring species include Primrose (*Primula vulgaris*), violets (*Viola riviniana*, *V.reichenbachiana*), Wood Anemone (*Anemone nemorosa*) and Lords-and-ladies (*Arum maculatum*).

The tidal river below the wood adds to the diversity of the site with patches of saltmarsh.

The recent NHA survey indicates that no damaging activities occur within the wood at present. However in the past the wood has been much modified by planting and felling.

This site is of interest because this type of woodland is rare in east Cork.

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