



# Potential resource to support pollinating insects

## Ecosystem service: Pollination

### What the service is:

Land which is likely to support flowering plants which can be used by a range of pollinating insects

### Why it is important:

Pollination is important for a very wide range of crops and flowering plants. A steady supply of pollen must be available over the whole of the growing season for pollinators to flourish, this means a wide range of different plants are needed.

### How it was created:

The map was created using information about habitat type and land management . These were used as indicators of the likely presence of flowering plants. Where a habitat is known to have a high number of flowering plants the service is scored high and coloured dark blue, where only wind pollinated plants such as grass is likely to be present they are scored low and coloured light blue. The map has been created using existing datasets; they should be interpreted as the best available information at the current time. They have been created at a strategic scale and are indicative at a field level, therefore field visit should be undertaken before any specific management decisions are taken.