

Mentha pulegium, 1990-2023, at least 6 fig grid ref

Best to Search: July - September

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Site Name	Gridref	Date	Comment
Longmoor	SU79052982	27-Jul-22	Three flower heads at SU79055 29825.
Longmoor	SU79052982	30-Jul-21	Three small flower spikes about 3 inches tall re-found at SU79055 29825, but no additional sites for it could be found. This is the native plant, not the more robust variety that is being imported from abroad as a contaminant in grass seed .
Longmoor	SU79052982	20-Aug-20	Patch c. 30 x 15cm at SU79052 29821, where recently found by Dave Pearson, but most flowers now over. It is about 9m NW of a pair of mature Scots Pines close to the main path, one of which has a separate 10cm diameter sapling growing attached to its trunk base. It seems likely that a search of suitable habitat at Longmoor in early August would reveal other sites for it. The tallest flower spike was about 10cm tall and others were only about 5cm, that combined with the habitat is convincing that this is the native form rather than the robust, tall alien form found elsewhere as a result of a seed contaminant in newly sown grass.
Farnborough, Liz's Lakes, QinetiQ	SU850544	28-Jun-08	Still present.
Farnborough, Liz's Lakes, QinetiQ	SU850544	31-Jul-03	1m patch at SU85045445, conf. PJSe, presumed alien from sown grass.
Spring Lakes, Aldershot	SU883515	13-Aug-09	Locally abundant at SU8838 5156 in short turf between lakes. Site is fairly modern commercial fishing lakes. Turf is heavily trampled by fisherman and grazed by wildfowl. [Specimen conf. ARGM, who suspects that it was introduced with grass seed used for landscaping].

I have omitted some earlier records, or duplicates, with the same grid reference.

Fishermen have taken over Spring Lakes (now called Gold Valley Lakes) and do not allow public access.