

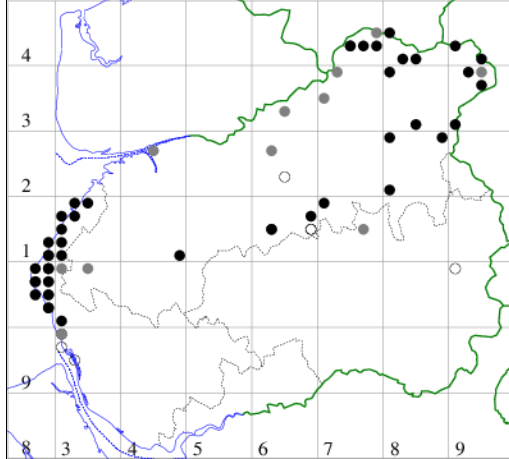
**The South Lancashire Flora
(Vascular Plants Polygalaceae)**

Fabales

POLYGALACEAE

Milkwort family

Polygala vulgaris L. Common Milkwort

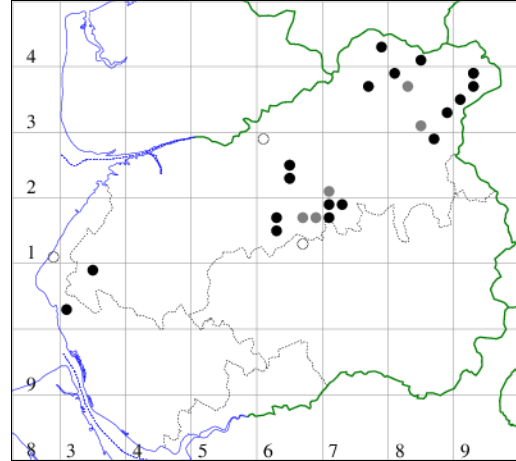


Ainsdale DP Earl 2008

Status & distribution: Native, Least Concern (Red List for England); Axiophyte. Locally abundant along the coastal fringe and frequent in the north-eastern hill districts.

Habitat: Sand-dunes, hill pastures, unimproved meadows, limestone outcrops and quarries; a colonist of the 'hushings'.

Polygala serpyllifolia Hose Heath Milkwort



Status & distribution: Native, Near Threatened (Red List for England); Axiophyte, a localised plant of the hill districts; rare at lower levels in an acid, sandy field inland of railway south of Hightown (SD3002, PH Smith, 2004) and at Haskayne Cutting (SD3508, Anon@LERN, 2010).

Habitat: Acidic wet moorland, acid grasslands and lowland heaths often growing in association with *Sphagnum* species.