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Management through burning and grazing.

Management of the heathland here is primarily by rotational burning and grazing in between that, so the rotational burning gives you a nice range of age and structure within the heathland and some invertebrates and bird species, in the winter we get a lot of occasions of large flocks of golden plover fly here, and they like the very short turf when its been burnt fairly recently, later on after several years and the heather and gorse has grown up you get things like Dartford warblers living in the gorse, a species which has colonised as winters have got milder in recent years and this is now quite a common species in this area.