**Birmingham & Black Country Local Sites Assessment Report**

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| **EcoRecord Reference** | **Site Name** | **Grid Reference** | **Current Status[1]** | **Survey Date(s)** |
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| **Planning Authority** | **Site Ownership** | **Area/Length** | **Reason for Survey** | **Report Date** |
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| **Meets LS Criteria** |  | **Type** |  | i.e. Wildlife/Geological |

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| **Amendment(s)** |  | i.e. None; New Site; Upgrade; Downgrade; Extension; Whole/Part Deletion |
| **Description** |  | |

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| **Citation (Summary of Value)** |
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| **Local Site Selection Criteria** | | | | | |
| **Ecological** | | | | | |
| **Habitat Diversity** | | |  | |  |
| **Species Diversity** | | |  | |  |
| **Habitat Rarity** | | |  | |  |
| **Species Rarity** | | |  | |  |
| **Size or Extent** | | |  | |  |
| **Naturalness** | | |  | |  |
| **Position & Connectivity** | | |  | |  |
| **Geological** | | | | | |
| **Intrinsic** | **Palaeontology** |  | |  | |
| **Stratigraphy** |  | |  | |
| **Structure** |  | |  | |
| **Physiography & Geomorphology** |  | |  | |
| **Rarity** | |  | |  | |
| **Ass. with Other Sites** | |  | |  | |
| **Social** | | | | | |
| **Historical & Cultural** | | |  | |  |
| **Access** | | |  | |  |
| **Aesthetic** | | |  | |  |
| **Recorded History** | | |  | |  |
| **Value for Learning** | | |  | |  |

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| **Site Description** |
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| **Habitats** | | | | |
| **Phase 1 Name** | |  | **Phase 1 Code** |  |
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| **Notes** |  | | | |

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| **Habitats of Note [2]** | | | | | | | |
| **Phase 1 Name** | | **Phase 1 Code** | **EHD** | **NERC** | **LBAP** | **Rarity** | **Year** |
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| **Notes** |  | | | | | | |

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| **Species of Note [2]** | | | | | | | | | |
| **Flora** | | | | | | | | | |
| **Species** | | **Statutory** | | **NERC** | **LBAP** | **RDL** | **Rarity** | **Axiophyte** | **Year** |
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| **Notes** |  | | | | | | | | |
| **Fauna** | | | | | | | | | |
| **Species** | | **Statutory** | **NERC** | | **LBAP** | **RDL** | **Concern** | **Rarity** | **Year** |
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| **The following Species of Note have been recorded within 500m of the assessment site boundary.** | | | | | | | | | |
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| **Notes** |  | | | | | | | | |

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| **Site/Habitat Suitability for Other Species of Note (not recorded during the survey)** | |
| **Description/Notes** |  |

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| **Invasive Species [3]** | | | | |
| **Species** | | **Location** | **Abundance (DAFOR)** | **Year Recorded** |
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| **Notes** |  | | | |

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| **Geology** | | |
| **Solid/Drift Formation** | |  |
| **Description** | |  |
| **Features of Value** | | |
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| **Soils** |
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| **Public Access & Site Usage** | |
| **Land Use** |  |
| **Access Level** |  |
| **Access Type(s)** |  |

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| **Comparison with Previous Survey(s) Results** |
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| **Summary of Assessment** |
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| **Recommendations (including further survey & site management/enhancement)** | |
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| **Data Sources** | | |
|  | **Source** | **Date** |
| **Species and Habitat Data Source(s)** |  |  |
| **Geological Data Source(s)** |  |  |
| **Historic Data Sources(s)** |  |  |
| **Assessment Author and Organisation** |  |  |

**[1] Definitions of Local Sites in B&BC (SINCs & SLINCs) and Potential Sites of Importance (PSIs)**

In Birmingham and the Black Country Local Wildlife and Geological Sites encompass what are termed Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (**SINCs**) and Sites of Local Importance for Nature Conservation (**SLINCs**). This two-tier system aims to ensure that all sites of substantive local nature conservation and geological value are selected by assessing sites in both a sub-regional (i.e. Birmingham and the Black Country) and metropolitan borough or city context (either Birmingham, Dudley, Sandwell, Walsall or Wolverhampton). The two designations are defined as:

* Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (**SINC**) - Sites of substantive nature conservation value in the context of Birmingham and the Black Country.
* Site of Local Importance for Nature Conservation (**SLINC**) - Sites of substantive nature conservation value in the context of a metropolitan borough.

Potential Sites of Importance (**PSIs**) have not yet been assessed against the Local Wildlife and Geological Sites selection criteria but may potentially support species of note, areas of important semi-natural habitat or valuable geological features. PSIs are identified primarily through the use of aerial photography, but also through reference to old maps, existing records and local knowledge. Commonly these sites will not have been subject to the survey work necessary to undertake a Local Wildlife and Geological Sites assessment.

**[2] Habitats/Species of Note Tables – Attribute Definitions**

**STATUTORY (PROTECTED)** - ***EHD*** = EU Habitats Directive (plus where relevant the Annexe II or IV) | ***WCA S1*** = Wildlife & Countryside Act Schedule 1 (birds protected at all times) | ***WCA S5*** = Wildlife & Countryside Act Schedule 5 (animals with various levels of protection) | ***WCA S8*** = Wildlife & Countryside Act Schedule 8 (higher and lower plants with various levels of protection) | ***PBA*** = Protection of Badgers Act 1992 | ***HabRegs2***= The Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 2010 (Schedule 2) | ***HabRegs4*** = The Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 2010 (Schedule 4).

**NERC** – ***Y*** = Habitats/Species included on the current list of Principal Importance in England under Section 41 of the NERC Act (2006 or amended).

**LBAP** – ***Y*** = Habitats/Species included on the latest B&BC LBAPlist of Priority Habitats/Species.

**RDL** - Species included on Global IUCN & British Red Data Lists: ***BRed*** = Bird Population Status – red | ***BAmb*** = Bird Population Status - amber | ***RLGB.EN*** = IUCN (2001) – Endangered | ***RLGB.VU*** = IUCN (2001) – Vulnerable | ***RDBGB.R*** = IUCN (pre 1994) – Rare | ***RLGB.Lr(NT)*** = IUCN (2001) - Lower risk - near threatened | ***RDBGB.IK*** = RDB - Insufficient known | ***RLGB.DD*** = IUCN (2001) - Data Deficient

**RARITY (HABITATS) - BIRMINGHAM & BLACK COUNTRY** - ***Y*** = Habitats included on the B&BC list of locally rare habitats (administered by EcoRecord).

**RARITY (FLORA SPECIES) - BIRMINGHAM & BLACK COUNTRY** - (based on data held and managed by EcoRecord): ***VR*** = Very Rare - a species present in less than 1.0% of 1Km squares, tetrads, or 5Km squares in B&BC | ***R*** = Rare - a species present in 1.0% - 4.3% of 1Km squares, tetrads, or 5Km squares in B&BC | ***U*** = Uncommon - a species present in 4.3% - 12% of 1Km squares, tetrads or 5Km squares in B&BC | ***NRR* =** no recent B&BC records.

**AXIOPHYTE** - ***BBCF\_Ax*** = included on the Birmingham & the Black Country list of axiophytes (administered by EcoRecord).

**YEAR** - The most recent year the species has been recorded.

**[3] Species listed on Schedule 9 part 1 (animals) and part 2 (plants) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 as amended -** this lists animals which may not be released or allowed to escape into the wild and plants which may not be planted or otherwise caused to grow in the wild.

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| **Report Maps** |

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| **Target Notes** |

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| **Target Note Ref.** | **Target Note Description** |
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| **Site Photographs** |

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| **Species Records** |