



Darlington Local Authority Area: Designated Sites

Statutory national designated sites	Site Name	Reason for Designation	Site Grid Reference
Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)	Newton Ketton Meadow	Important as one of the very few surviving unimproved hay meadows in the coastal plain between the Rivers Tyne and Tees.	NZ 322 206
Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)	Redcar Field	A small area supporting a range of fen vegetation types including fen flush, fen meadow and willow carr. It is one of the few remaining examples of spring fed vegetation on the Magnesian Limestone of County Durham.	NZ 292 199
Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)	Neasham Fen	A small in filled kettle hole which provides an important record of Flandrian vegetation history and environmental change	NZ 331 115
Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)	Hell Kettles	Open water fed by calcareous springs with saw-sedge .dominated swamp, tall fen and damp grassland	NZ 281 108



Local non statutory designated sites	Site Name	Reason for Designation	Site Grid Reference
LWS	Denton Quarry	W2 (Broad-leaved Woodland and Replanted Ancient Woodland); U2 (Disused Quarry)	NZ 212 198
LWS	Ulnaby Beck	G1 (Neutral Grassland)	NZ 233 164
LWS	Burtree Gate Marsh	E1 (Flushes, Seepages, Springs etc)	NZ 268 190
LWS	Whiley Hill Sandpit	U2 (Disused Quarry)	NZ 274 199
LWS	Coatham Grange Marsh	E1 (Flushes, Seepages, Springs etc); A1 (Great Crested Newt); E3 (Basin or Valley Mire)	NZ 277 197
LWS	Fox Hill Quarry	G1 (Neutral Grassland); U2 (Disused Quarry)	NZ 314 183
LWS	Carr House Pond	G1 (Neutral Grassland)	NZ 337 202
LWS	Oxbow Lake, Barmpton	A1 (Great Crested Newt)	NZ 324 177
LWS	River Tees Woods	W1 (Ancient Woodland); W2 (Broad-leaved Woodland and Replanted Ancient Woodland)	NZ 275 111
LWS	Low Coniscliffe Tees Bank	W2 (Broad-leaved Woodland and Replanted Ancient Woodland) mosaic; O2 (Breeding Populations of Birds as % of National Population)	NZ 445 232
LWS	West Cemetery	B1 (Bryophytes, Lichens and Fungi)	NZ 273 138
LWS	Brinkburn *	A1 (Great Crested Newt); I2 (Important Butterflies)	NZ 284 164, NZ 282 164, NZ 282 161, NZ 283 164
LWS	Rockwell **	A1 (Great Crested Newt); I2 (Important Butterflies); M4 (Water Vole); I5 (Important Dragonflies)	NZ 298 161, NZ 300 156
LWS	Brankin Moor	A1 (Great Crested Newt); I5 (Important Dragonflies); I6 (Seven or more species of Dragonfly)	NZ 301 129
LWS	High Firth Moor	A1 (Great Crested Newt); I5 (Important Dragonflies); I6 (Seven or more species of Dragonfly)	NZ 312 132
LWS	Neasham Brickworks	A1 (Great Crested Newt); I5 (Important Dragonflies)	NZ 334 112
LWS	The Whinnies	G1 (Neutral Grasslands); I2 (Important Butterflies); I4 (Important Moths); I5 (Important Dragonflies)	NZ 345 140
LWS	Drinkfield Marsh	E2 (Reedbed); I5 (Important Dragonflies); I6 (Seven or more species of Dragonfly)	NZ 287 175
LWS	Arnold Road Pond	A1 (Great Crested Newt)	NZ 302 152

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LWS	Central Park	I2 (Important Butterflies); G1 (Neutral Grassland); U1 (Urban Grassland)	NZ 297 147
LWS	Janet's Meadow	G1 (Neutral Grassland)	NZ 225 145
LWS	Cockerbeck Meadow	G1 (Neutral Grassland)	NZ 2631 1564, NZ 2679 1552
LWS	Hunger Hill Farm	G1 (Neutral Grassland)	NZ 334 129
LWS	Blackwell Grange Golf Course	A1 (Great Crested Newt)	NZ 277 126, NZ 280 130
LWS	Broken Scar	A1 (Great Crested Newt); I3 (15 or more species of Butterfly); I6 (Seven or more species of Dragonfly)	NZ 255 143
LWS	Newton Grange Farm ***	A1 (Great Crested Newt); M3 (Harvest Mouse)	NZ 353 171, NZ 354 170
LWS	Sadberge Ponds ***	A1 (Great Crested Newt)	NZ 341 172, NZ 342 174
LNR	Drinkfield Marsh	A large shallow 2 hectares lake bordered by common reed and bulrush with a variety of birds and animal life.	NZ 287 174
LNR	Brinkburn	A small site dominated by a pond and wet woodland and home to swans and cygnets	NZ 282 161
LNR	Rockwell	Recent restoration creating new meanders, pool features and new habitat along this stretch of the River Skerne.	NZ 302 159
LNR	Geneva Wood	25 year old plantation site of predominately Scots Pine.	NZ 295 128
LNR	Brankin Moor	A small site with wet woodland and a pond and is very good for dragonflies.	NZ 301 128
LNR	Maidendale Fishing and Nature Reserve	8 Ha of former agricultural land predominantly rough grassland with a small pond wetland mosaic and remnant old hedgerows	NZ 311 132
LNR	The Whinnies	Calcium rich old spoil heaps transformed over the years to provide a variety of wildlife habitats including banks and pools	NZ 362 137

* Encompasses two old sites (Black Path Ponds & Lichen Heath, and Horsefield Pond)

** Encompasses two old sites (Rockwell Pastures and St William's Pond)

*** New sites not yet mapped