



## Central Farmland Landscape Area Designations

Statutory designated sites (national)	Site name	Reason for designation
Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)	Briarcroft Pasture	Nationally important for its areas of species-rich unimproved neutral grassland.
	Whitton Bridge Pasture	Nationally important for its areas of species-rich unimproved neutral grassland.
	Hart Bog	A small topogenous mire of particular botanical, invertebrate and palaeobotanical interest.

Local non-statutory sites		
Local Wildlife Sites (LWS) 54 sites		33 examples of species-rich grassland; 10 ancient/semi-natural/broadleaved woodlands; 11 wet flushes; 1 disused quarry; 1 site for a rare lichen; 4 sites for great crested newt; 1 site where four native amphibian species have been recorded; 1 site for water vole; 2 sites for harvest mouse; 2 sites holding high numbers of a key bird species/assemblage on a Tees Valley basis; 1 site supporting notable butterfly assemblages; 4 sites supporting a key butterfly species; 1 site supporting a key moth species and 1 site supporting a key dragonfly species.
Local Geological Sites (LGS) 5 sites	Whelly Hill Quarry	Small Magnesian limestone quarry
	Dalton Batts	Large river cliff showing exposure of glacial sands, gravels and clay from last glaciation
	Naisberry Quarry	Former Magnesian limestone quarry.
	West Crimdon Dene	Exposure of Magnesian limestone in river gorge environment
	Gravel Hole Quarry	Disused quarry showing quaternary sandstone gravel deposits

Local Nature Reserves (LNR) (6 sites)	Hart-Haswell Walkway	Former railway line with a rich mix of Magnesian limestone grassland, ponds, semi-mature and mature woodland.
	Thorpe Wood	An old railway line with three fine brick-built bridges and colonised by trees, plants and flowers with semi-natural ancient woodland - oak, ash and hazel trees cloaking the slopes of a small valley
	Stillington Forest Park	A former slag heap that was reclaimed and developed to benefit both wildlife and visitors. It is managed at a wildflower meadow, several ponds and wetland areas, and a dense jungle of mature hawthorn and ash trees.
	Hardwick Dene and Elmtree Woods	The site consists of four distinct sections – two steep sided wooded valleys, separated by a roughly triangular area of grassland, and a further area of herb-rich, unimproved grassland.
	Greenvale	Comprises unimproved grassland, amenity grassland and small compartments of woodland.
	The Whinnies	Mosaic site of calcareous wildflower meadow, damp meadow, scrub, early successional brownfield and seasonal wetlands