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From: Richard Croucher [REDACTED]
Sent: 25 September 2024 09:42
To: Legg, John
Cc: Natalie Richards; Steve Bridger (Councillor)
Subject: Fw: Biddle Street SSSI
Attachments: image001.png

Hi John

After Juley Howard's statement at the planning appeal in the Town Hall yesterday there was some discussion about the accuracy of her information and the map of the SSSI.

When she was preparing her statement, I helped her find the map and information. To confirm that everything was correct I emailed Lauren Baillie at Natural England.

Here is Lauren's response which confirms that the map is correct and that the SSSI does include the ditches and 6 metres either side.

Richard Croucher

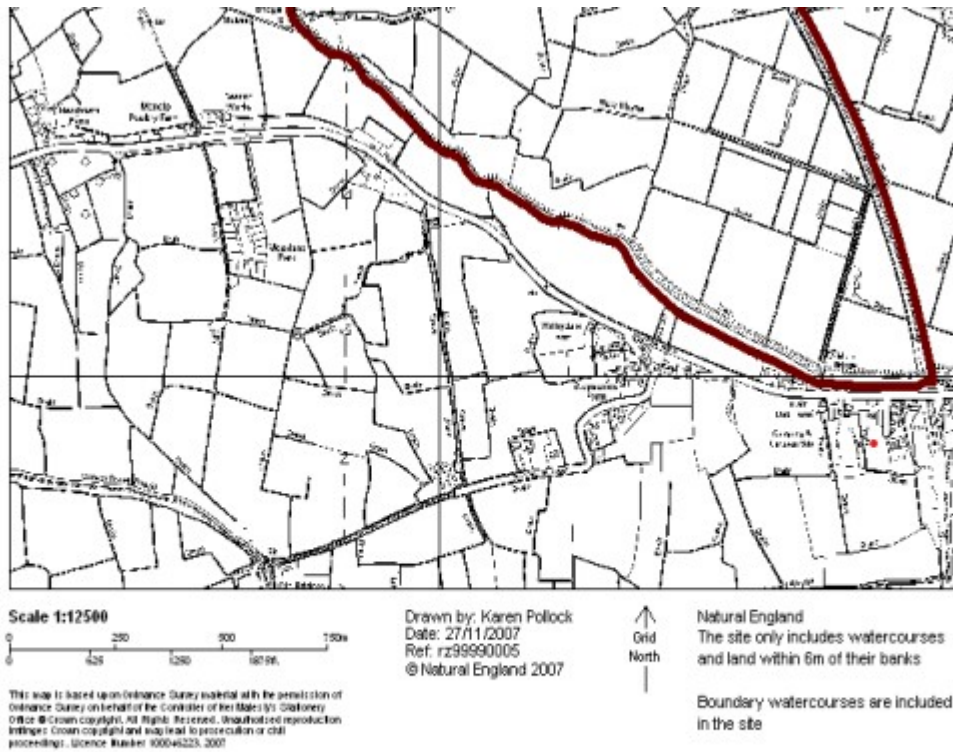
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From: Baillie, Lauren <Lauren.Baillie@naturalengland.org.uk>
Sent: Monday, September 2, 2024 11:13 AM
To: Richard Croucher [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Biddle Street SSSI

Hi Richard,

Thank you for your email. You have touched upon something quite interesting there – and you are right that there is relatively little information in the public domain. The information on Magic Map is the legally defined boundary, but I appreciate this can be hard to determine specifics from; [Magic Map Application \(defra.gov.uk\)](https://www.defra.gov.uk/magic-map/)

The monitoring specification held by Natural England has the following information which states the SSSI includes land within 6m of the banks of the watercourse.



I hope this helps,
Lauren

From: Richard Croucher [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, August 30, 2024 5:05 PM
To: Baillie, Lauren <Lauren.Baillie@naturalengland.org.uk>
Subject: Biddle Street SSSI

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Hi Lauren

We met recently at YACWAG's Littlewood reserve.

I wonder if you can help me out with a non YACWAG related matter.

It is fairly common knowledge that the Biddle Street SSSI covers the ditches and rhynes plus 6 metres either side but I have been trying to find somewhere where it actually states that on the NE website. As I can't find that, can you point me in the right direction please. Also can you tell me if the 6 metres is measured from the centre of the ditch, the edge of the water or the top of the bank?

Richard Croucher

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