

Site Name: Black Brook, Kings Moss

Site Area: 2.43 hectares **National Grid Reference:** SJ517996

Date of Designation: December 2003 **District:** St Helens

Date of Last Revision: N/A **Local Site Number:** 23

CITATION: A stretch of Black Brook which provides habitat for Water voles

APPRAISAL: This site has been evaluated against the guidelines approved by the Council for selection of Local Sites. The site's evaluation against the guidelines is set out below.

Guideline		Comment
HABITATS		
H1;	Rarity	--
H2;	Diversity	--
H3;	Nearness	28 sites within 1Km.
H4.	Isolation	--
PLANTS		
SP1;	Rarity	--
SP2;	Diversity	--
SP3;	Naturalness	--
SP4.	Nationally Rare	--
ANIMALS		
General		
SP5;	Rare/priority	--
Birds		
B1;	Non-breeding population	--
B2;	Breeding population	--
B3;	Regional rare/scare	--
B4;	Breeding assemblage	--
B5.	Assemblage, breeding, wintering, passage.	--
Dragonflies		
Od1.	Breeding	--
Od2.	Regional rare/scarce	--
Butterflies		
Bf1;	Region rare breeding	--
Bf2.	Breeding assemblage	--
Amphibians		
A1;	Rarity	--
A2.	Exceptional populations	--
Reptiles		
R1;	Population of native species	--
R2;	Exceptional population	--
Bats		
Bat1;	Roost	--
Bat2.	Assemblage	--
Mammals		
Mam1.	Breeding	Guideline met – Water vole.

SUMMARY: The combination of these factors has led to this site being identified as a Local Site.

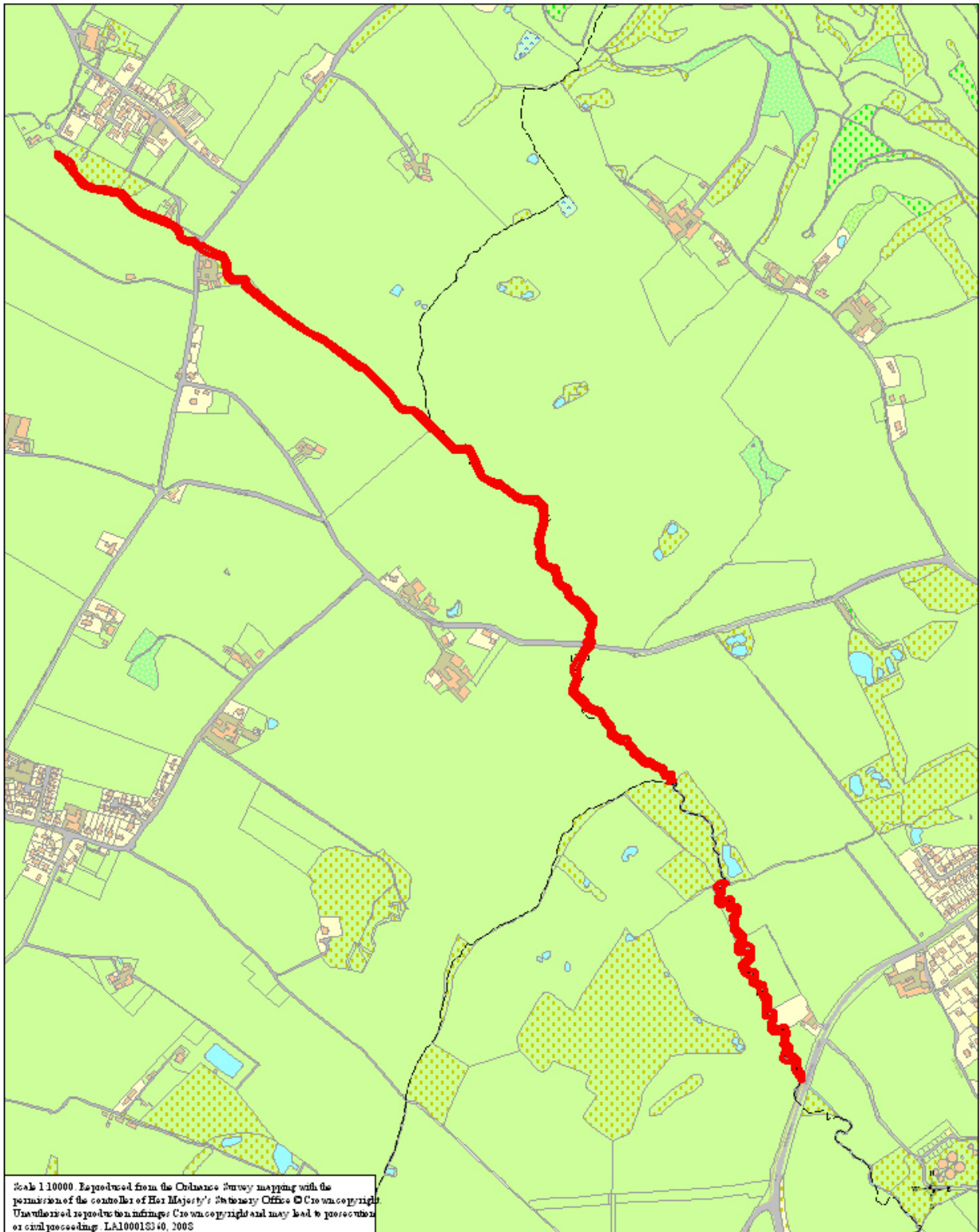
NOTE: Validated data from 1981 to December 2003 have been used in this assessment. Other data may become available to support this designation.

Status of features of nature conservation importance

Animals

1 Mammal species

Water vole (*Arvicola amphibious*)



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