Site Name:	Bawdy Brook		
Site Area:	0.46 hectares	National Grid Reference:	SD472029
Date of Designation:	December 2003	District:	St. Helens
Date of Last Revision:	N/A	Local Site Number:	2

CITATION: A stretch of Bawdy Brook which provides habitat for Water vole.

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	5 habitats recorded.
H3;	Nearness	-
H4.	Isolation	
PLANTS		
SP1;	Rarity	1 WCA_SC8 species; 1 species of conservation concern; 1 regionally important species.
SP2;	Diversity	Total of 29 plant species.
SP3;	Naturalness	86.2% of the plants are native to the borough. Colonisation has been aided by man and the site has been physically altered.
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.

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Status of features on nature conservation importance

<u>Animals</u>

Mammals

1 Wildlife and Countryside Act –Schedule 5 species

Water vole (Arvicola amphibius)

