

Hi Simon,

I've just had a look through the documents and I don't have many comments to make.

The purpose of the documents are heritage – therefore there isn't any reference to protected species but the Borden Parish document does refer to Biodiversity in reference to orchards.

However both documents do refer to bringing various habitats back in to management such as steams / orchards. I don't have any concerns with this but just to highlight that if any areas that have had limited/no management recently it is possible that re-implementing management (without mitigation) may result in a breach of wildlife legislation. So there is a need to ensure that prior to any management commencing the presence of protected species are considered. I'm positive a balance can be found to provide management which provides benefit for both a heritage and ecology perspective.

Kind Regards,

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