

## WSLNF – Proposed green sites – Glyne Gap Reed Beds – No 10

Local Green Space Assessment for: Glynde Gap Reed Beds	
<b>Date of assessment:</b> Desk based assessment 27.12.24	
<b>Assessors:</b> Jim Boot, Community Planner	
<b>Site Name and Address (location)</b>	<b>Grid Ref:</b>
Glyne Gap Reed Beds	TQ 76611 08224
<b>Site owner (if known)</b>	Hastings Borough Council and PETER JOHN CATT and others
<b>Have they been informed / discussed?</b>	<b>If yes date:</b>
No	
<b>Description and purpose / current use</b>	
Extensive area of wet grassland and reedbeds associated with Pebsham Valley wetlands and part of the Combe Valley Countryside Park. Used by local community for informal recreation, dog walking, bird watching. The second largest wetland site in the borough after the Coombe Valley SSSI. Recordings of 13- Spot Ladybird and nesting Bearded Tit (Hastings Local Wildlife Sites Review, 2020).	
<b>Statutory designations (eg SSSI<sup>1</sup>)</b>	<b>Other designations (eg LNR<sup>2</sup>)</b>
Close to the Coombe Haven SSSI.	Local Wildlife Site (SWT)
<b>Site allocations in Local Plan</b>	
No	
<b>Planning permission</b>	
None so far as is known	
<b>Access &amp; proximity including how close to the community it serves (in meters)</b>	
Green space visible from the nearby shopping centre, and the main A259 Bexhill Road. Within the Combe Valley Countryside Park it creates a green gap between St Leonards and Bexhill.	

<sup>1</sup> Site of Special Scientific Interest

<sup>2</sup> Local Nature Reserve

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### List any public rights of way to or across the site:

Multiple footpaths crossing the site:

- HAS/7/1 BOAT
- HAS /1/1 Footpath
- HAS / 3/1 Footpath
- HAS / 4/1 footpath

### Which of the following criteria does it meet?

Fully / Partially / Not (if F or P provide details)

#### • Beauty

Partially – quite barren area particularly the area closes to the A259

#### • Historic significance / heritage

Partially – close to the site of the ruined church

#### • Recreational value

Partially – dog walking and general amenity

#### • Tranquillity

Partially – set back from the road particularly the northern part reedbed

#### • Wildlife

Fully – reedbed connecting to SSSI.

### Local in character – how would you describe for this statement?

Popular with local residents after work and at weekends.

### Area (in hectares)

0.079 ha

### Photograph

**Lewis Avenue,  
bridle way across  
the marshes  
(old tram route)**



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**Aerial photo map or plan showing accurate boundary of site.**



**Adapted from Locality Local Green Spaces, 2019:**

<https://neighbourhoodplanning.org/toolkits-and-guidance/making-local-green-space-designations-neighbourhood-plan/>