

County: Devon **Site Name:** Dyer's Quarry

District: Torbay

Status: Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) notified under Section 28 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended).

Local Planning Authority: Devon County Council, Torbay Borough Council

National Grid Reference: SX 922628 **Area:** 0.8 (ha) 2.0 (ac)

Ordnance Survey Sheet 1:50,000: 202 **1:10,000:** SX 96 SW

Date Notified (Under 1949 Act): – **Date of Last Revision:** –

Date Notified (Under 1981 Act): 1988 **Date of Last Revision:** –

Other Information:

A new site.

Listed as of national importance in the Geological Conservation Review.

Description and Reasons for Notification:

Dyer's Quarry exposes the best sections available of the upper horizons of the Devonian Daddyhole Limestone (Late Eifelian); horizons which are not exposed at the type section, Daddyhole. There is a rich fauna dominated by corals which can be observed in the quarry face and also on bedding planes on the quarry floor. This locality is of particular interest because of the presence of corals in their position of growth, the best example in South Devon, and lateral changes in coral growth and species distribution related to the substrate.