

SITE NOTIFIED TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE ON 30 MARCH 1992

COUNTY: DERBYSHIRE SITE NAME: KIRKHAM'S SILICA SANDPIT

DISTRICT: DERBYSHIRE DALES SITE REF: 15 WC7

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

Local Planning Authority: DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL, Derbyshire Dales District Council

National Grid Reference: SK 216542 Area: 30.26 (ha.) 74.77 (ac.)

Ordnance Survey Sheet 1:50,000: 119 1:10,000: SK 25 SW

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

Date Notified (Under 1981 Act): 1992 Date of Last Revision: –

Other Information:
New site.

Description and Reasons for Notification:

A nationally important mineralogical site for the occurrence of nodules of the white clay mineral metahalloysite which are found within the sand deposits which occur as pocket deposits within depressions in the limestone surface. The metahalloysite nodules are often found associated with manganese minerals known as 'wad'.