

Citation

County: Lincolnshire

Site name: Hundleby Clay Pit

District: East Lindsey

Site ref:

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

Local Planning Authority: East Lindsey District Council

National grid reference: TF 382660

Area: 0.76 ha

Ordnance Survey sheet: 1: 50 000: 122

1: 10 000: TF 36 NE

Date notified (Under 1949 Act):

Date of last revision:

Date notified (under 1981 Act): 1986

Date of last revision:

Other information

Description and reasons for notification

This is the standard reference section for, and the only remaining exposure of, the rock unit known as the Hundleby Clay, an important part of the Lower Cretaceous sequence of eastern England. The Hundleby Clay is equivalent to the rock unit known further north in Lincolnshire as the Claxby Ironstone and provides evidence that deep-water marine conditions existed in south-eastern Lincolnshire during early Cretaceous times. The rocks seen here belong to the Ryazanian and Valanginian Stages of geological time, and the site is unique for the rock sequence which it exposes.