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County: Hampshire **Site Name:** Brockley Warren SSSI

Local Planning Authority: Hampshire County Council, Test Valley Borough Council

National Grid Reference: SU 419368 **Area:** 12.6 (ha) 31.13 (ac)

Ordnance Survey Sheet 1:50,000: 185 **1:25,000:** SU 43

Date Notified (Under 1949 Act): 1978 **Date of Last Revision:** –

Date Notified (Under 1981 Act): 1984 **Date of Last Revision:** –

Other Information:

Reasons for Notification:

This is the largest of the few remaining areas of chalk grassland and chalk scrub on the Hampshire chalk plateau (as opposed to escarpment sites). It supports a mosaic of chalk scrub mainly of juniper *Juniperus communis*, bramble *Rubus fruticosus* and hawthorn *Crataegus monogyna*, with scattered planted pines and fescue-dominated grassland rich in herbs. The juniper is now mostly moribund and there is little recent regeneration. The grassland includes local or exacting calcicoles such as round-headed rampion *Phyteuma tenerum*, bastard toadflax *Thesium humifusum* and felwort *Gentianella amarella*. The site is intensively rabbit grazed.