

COUNTY: GLOUCESTERSHIRE

SITE NAME: WAINLODE CLIFF

DISTRICT: TEWKESBURY

SITE REF: 15 WYA

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

Local Planning Authority: GLOUCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL, Tewkesbury Borough Council

National Grid Reference: SO 845257

Area: 1.3 (ha.) 3.2 (ac.)

Ordnance Survey Sheet 1:50,000: 162

1:10,000: SO 82 NW

Date Notified (Under 1949 Act): 1954

Date of Last Revision: 1974

Date Notified (Under 1981 Act): 1989

Date of Last Revision: –

Other Information:

Description and Reasons for Notification:

An historic locality, first described in 1842, showing a seven metre section of Rhaetian age. The regional two-fold division of Westbury and Cotham Beds is maintained here, with the correlatable '*Estheria*' Bed in the latter, and a basal bone bed resting non-sequentially on the Tea Green Marls at the base of the shales. This is the type locality for *Estheria minuta brodieana*. The Insect Limestone, a productive source of insects, defines the base of the Lias in the section.