

## Operations requiring Natural England's consent

Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 Section 28 (4)(b) substituted by Schedule 9 to the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000

The operations listed below may damage the features of interest of Crime Rigg Quarry SSSI. Before any of these operations are undertaken you must consult Natural England, and may require our consent.

It is usually possible to carry out some of these operations in certain ways, or at specific times of year, or on certain parts of the SSSI, without damaging the features of interest. If you wish to carry out any of these activities please contact your Natural England Area Team who will give you advice and where appropriate issue a consent. Please help us by using the 'notice form' (provided at notification and available on request) to ask us for consent to carry out these operations.

In certain circumstances it will not be possible to consent these operations, because they would damage the features of interest. Where possible the Area Team will suggest alternative ways in which you may proceed, which would enable a consent to be issued. To proceed without Natural England's consent may constitute an offence. If consent is refused, or conditions attached to it, which are not acceptable to you, you will be provided with details of how you may appeal to the Secretary of State.

### **Standard Type of operation Ref No.**

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| 7.   | Dumping, spreading or discharging of any materials on or against geological exposures of importance in the quarry wall or floor.  |
| 12.  | Tree and/or woodland management and alterations to tree and/or woodland management (including planting, felling, pruning and tree surgery, thinning, coppicing, changes in species composition and removal of fallen timber).   |
| 14.  | Alterations to water levels and tables and water utilisation (including irrigation, water storage in disused quarries and abstraction from existing water bodies and through boreholes). Also the modification of current drainage operations (such as the installation or removal of pumps). |
| 15.  | Infilling, creation or digging of ditches, drains, ponds, pools, marshes or pits.   |
| 20.  | Extraction of minerals including hard rock, sand, gravel, limestone and spoil.  |
| 21.  | Destruction, construction, removal, rerouting, or regrading of roads, tracks, quarry floor, walls, fences, hardstands, banks, ditches or other earthworks, including soil and soft rock exposures or the laying, maintenance or removal of pipelines and cables, above or below ground.       |
| 22.  | Storage of materials on or against rock faces, outcrops and quarry floor.   |
| 23.  | Erection, removal or destruction of permanent or temporary structures, or the undertaking of engineering works, including drilling.   |
| 24a. | Modification of natural or man-made features and clearance of boulders, large stones, loose rock or spoil.  |
| 24b. | Battering, buttressing, grading or seeding of geological exposures and cuttings (rock faces, spoil and soil) and infilling of pits and quarries.  |

### **Notes**

- i. This is a list of operations appearing to Natural England to be likely to damage the special features of the SSSI, as required under section 28 (4) (b) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 substituted by Schedule 9 to the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000.
- ii. Where an operation has been granted a consent, licence or permission from another authority separate consent will not be required from Natural England. However, other authorities are required to consult Natural England before such consents, licences or permissions are issued.

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