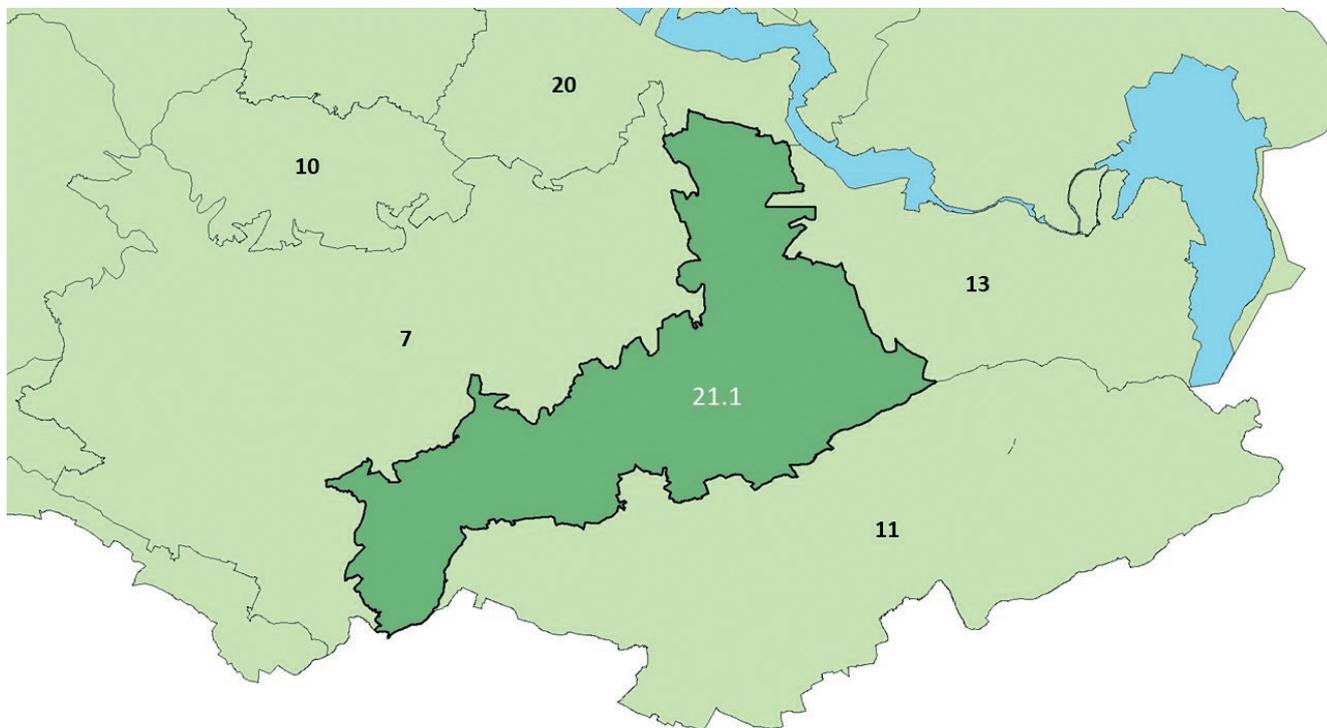


5.21 Settled Undulating Plateau Newton St. Loe to Hinton Blewitt Forest of Avon



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Hinton Blewitt and Newton St. Loe Plateau Lands (B&NES6)

- a. Ensure all woodlands have a Forestry Commission management plan (or equivalent), addressing broad objectives, supporting their preparation and delivery. Focus on small number of ASNW first.
- b. Buffer ASNW by establishing fringing areas for natural regeneration.
- c. Establish small woodlands appropriate for the landscape character and especially related to landform, in a corridor between Englishcombe and Priston, conserving priority habitats, historic monuments and viewpoints.
- d. Establish small woodlands of a scale, pattern and species mix appropriate for the landscape character in the 'Camerton Gap' linking c. above to woodlands in 11.1, conserving priority habitats, historic monuments and viewpoints.
- e. Establish woodland of appropriate scale, pattern and species mix in a broad corridor north of Farmborough, linking across the 'Nap Hill Gap' to the existing and potential woodland area in 7.1, conserving priority habitats, historic monuments and viewpoints.
- f. Ensure any new development is linked to planting of individual and groups of trees within each developed site and off-site woodland planting, wider biodiversity and access improvements related to scale.
- g. Conserve and regenerate hedgerow boundaries with an initial focus on those outside grant schemes and which are not low cut and/or where hedgerow trees are present.
- h. Conserve hedgerow and other field trees and plant new ones at irregular spacings where absent within hedged boundaries. Initial focus on river and stream valleys, managing and planting trees to manage water quality, flood risk and enhance biodiversity.
- i. Conserve and restore dry stone walls, with an initial focus on those outside grant schemes.
- j. Ensure that public access routes are easy to use and follow.