

area also contains Regionally Important Geological Sites / Geomorphological Sites (RIGS).

### **LC3 - Local Nature Reserves**

**It is proposed that the following areas are designated as Local Nature Reserves.**

- 1) **Brumby Wood, Scunthorpe**
- 2) **Atkinsons Warren/Skipppingdale Plantation, Scunthorpe**
- 3) **Sawcliffe, Scunthorpe**
- 4) **Dragonby Ponds, Scunthorpe**
- 5) **Silkstone Pond, Scunthorpe**
- 6) **Ashby Ville Ballast Pits, Scunthorpe**
- 7) **Axholme Lane, Haxey**
- 8) **Butterwick Hale and Common, East Butterwick**
- 9) **River Eau and Messingham Ings**
- 10) **Elsham Marsh**
- 11) **Waters Edge, Barton upon Humber**
- 12) **Chase Hill Wood**
- 13) **Burton Woodland**
- 14) **Sheffields Hill**
- 15) **Thealby Gullet**

16) **Yorkshire East Gullet (north)**

17) **Brumby Common, Scunthorpe**

18) **Owston Ferry Castle**

### **LC4 - Development Affecting Sites of Local Nature Conservation Importance**

**Any development or land use change which is likely to have an adverse impact on a Local Nature Reserve, a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation or a Regionally Important Geological Site will not be approved unless it can be clearly demonstrated that there are reasons for the proposal which outweigh the need to safeguard the intrinsic nature conservation value of the site or feature.**

**In all cases where development is permitted which may damage the nature conservation value of the site, such damage shall be kept to a minimum. Where development is permitted the use of conditions or planning obligations to ensure the protection and enhancement of the site's nature conservation value and other appropriate compensatory measures will be considered.**

*12.13 Sites of nature conservation and geological interest are important not only for the protection of natural assets and the promotion of bird nesting but also as a valuable local education resource. Sites of this nature should, therefore, be protected from the encroachment of development which may either destroy or adversely affect them.*