## **Register of European sites**

## Register entry UK0030367 under Regulation 13 of the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010

This is the register entry for the European site known as **Pevensey Levels** in the Region of **East Sussex**. This area has been designated by the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs pursuant to Article 4.4 of the "Habitats Directive" (Council Directive 92/43/EEC) as a Special Area of Conservation. The register reference number for this European site is UK0030367 and a folder, kept under this reference as part of this register, contains a map of the European site and a citation, both signed by me, giving the reasons for designation of the site as a Special Area of Conservation.

Other details of the European site are as follows:

Date designated as a Special Area of Conservation: 11 February 2016

Site centre location<sup>1</sup>

**Longitude:** 0° 21′ 02″ E

**Latitude:** 50° 51′ 01″ N

**Area (ha):** 3585.38

Priority status<sup>2</sup>: No

Date of registration: 11 February 2016

Signed:

on behalf of the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This indicates the approximate centre of the site. Where the European site consists of several distinct areas, the co-ordinates of the most important sub-area are entered.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Indicates whether the site has been identified under Article 4.2 of the Habitats Directive (Council Directive 92/43/EEC) as hosting one or more priority natural habitat types or priority species.

## Council Directive 92/43/EEC on the Conservation of Natural Habitats and of Wild Fauna and Flora

## Citation for Special Area of Conservation (SAC)

Name: Pevensey Levels

**Unitary Authority/County:** East Sussex

**SAC status:** designated as a SAC on 11 February 2016

Grid reference: TQ654083
SAC EU code: UK0030367

Area (ha): 3585.38

Component SSSI: Pevensey Levels SSSI

Site description:

Little whirlpool ram's-horn snail *Anisus vorticulus* occurs across a range of sites in southern and eastern England.

Pevensey Levels is a large and expansive grazing marsh that supports *Anisus vorticulus* in both a wide spatial distribution and in good population density classes. It is recorded across a number of the levels, including at Hooe level, Manxey level, Glynleigh and Horse Eye Levels. The western areas of the Hooe Levels should be regarded as one of the richest locations for this species within an often linked complex of ditches and channels. The Pevensey Levels, with an occupation of some 38% of sampled ditches, supports the largest known population of *Anisus vorticulus* in the UK.

**Qualifying species:** The site is designated under **article 4(4)** of the Directive (92/43/EEC) as it hosts the following species listed in Annex II:

Little whirlpool ram's-horn snail Anisus vorticulus

This citation relates to a site entered in the Register of European Sites for Great Britain.

Register reference number: UK0030367 Date of registration: **11 February 2016** 

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On behalf of the Secretary of State for Environment,

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