

A guide to using the Interactive Map

Exploring the map



Click on this button and use the 'hand' tool to pan round the map



Click on the Magnifying Glass or use the plus and minus buttons to zoom in or out



If you get lost don't worry clicking this button will zoom you out to the whole map



Click on the i button and then click on a map object to see more information about it

Exploring the map layers



OS Base

We have two Map Bases – click on the **tick** to turn them on and off. A black tick means they are on



Aerial Photography

We have two historic landscape datasets

- **Dataset One: Historic Landscape Character Area – This consists of ONE Layer**




Main HLC Areas

Click on the **tick** to turn it on and off. A black tick means the historic landscape character areas are being displayed.

*Strategic **Historic Landscape Character Areas**, are geographically discrete areas, with distinctive historic environment characteristics. These highlight surviving time-depth and the legibility and the enjoyment of the past in the present landscape. They identify the North Wessex Downs landscape's cultural, historic and archaeological attributes and the importance of change through time as a primary characteristic. They provide a systematic overview of the characteristics of the historic landscape in the AONB and also include **their special qualities and features of significance** which can be used as a basis for the identification of management priorities and issues and actions. Twenty eight Historic Landscape Character Areas have been identified within the AONB.*



If you are interested in a particular HLC Area then use the  tool to find out information about each area including its Name, there is also a hyperlink which will take you to the relevant webpage which provides a summary of each area.

- **Dataset Two: Historic Landscape Characterisation – This consists of FOUR layers**




HLC DATASET

Click on the **tick** to turn on and off each layer. A black tick means the historic landscape characterisation layers are being displayed.

The Historic Landscape Characterisation dataset (Wyvern Heritage and Landscape Consultancy, 2012; Conway 2007) characterises the distinctive historic dimension of today’s landscape. This is a complex and multifaceted database concerned with time depth in the landscape as well as present day character comprised of recurrent but not necessarily geographically discrete Historic Landscape Types.

The historic landscape characterisation dataset captures the layers of past human activity in the Landscape of the AONB. For any area of land you can ‘peel’ back these layers by turning off Layer 1, then Layer 2 then Layer 3 removing more recent evidence of human activity to reveal older traces of land use dating back to the Medieval period by Layer 4. This process is undertaken by giving each parcel of land a unique number and allocating each layer a historic landscape type. An example is given below to help you understand this complex dataset

If you are interested in a particular area of land then use  the tool to find out information about each layer.

An explanation and description of each Historic Landscape Type can be read in the HLC Report in the Downloads Section. Note not all Land Parcels have four layers of time depth recorded.

LAYERS	EXAMPLE	WHAT THIS MEANS
Layer One - Historic Landscape in the Present Day - Individual ID - Historic Landscape Type - Historic Landscape Group - Historic Landscape Sub Group - Time Periodturning off Layer One reveals.....	614 Reorganised Fields Enclosures & Farming Post 1900 Enclosure Mid C20th to present	Land Parcel 614 consists today of a series of fields the boundaries of which were reorganised sometime after the 1940s.
Layer Two - Previous Land Use 1 - Individual ID - Previous Historic Landscape Type - Previous Historic Landscape Group - Previous Historic Landscape Sub Group - Time Periodturning off Layer Two reveals.....	614 Parliamentary Enclosure Enclosures & Farming 1700 to 1900 enclosure 18 th to 19 th century	The same group of fields were subject to parliamentary enclosure during the 18 th /19 th century
Layer Three - Previous Land Use 2 - Individual ID - Previous Historic Landscape Type - Previous Historic Landscape Group - Previous Historic Landscape Sub Group - Time Periodturning off Layer Three reveals.....	614 Pre 18 th century irregular fields Enclosures & Farming Pre 1700 Enclosure Pre 18 th Century	There is also evidence within this parcel of land for earlier adhoc creation of irregular shaped fields prior to 1700AD
Layer Four - Previous Land Use 3 - Individual ID - Previous Historic Landscape Type - Previous Historic Landscape Group - Previous Historic Landscape Sub Group - Time Period	614 Open Field Open Land Pre 1700 Open Land Medieval	These fields were all created by enclosing Medieval open fields, evidence for which may survive in the shape of the field boundaries.