

NEW ENGLAND

INSET PLAN 40

LOCATION

(NGR SX 596545)

The site is located south of the A38 Exeter to Plymouth Trunk Road to the north of the village of Yealmpton.

GEOLOGY

The geology of the Consultation Area consists of Middle Devonian slates within which a lenticular intrusion of basalt has been emplaced, outcropping in a north east to south-west direction. Volcanic tuffs, probably dating from the emplacement of the basalt body, outcrop to the west of the intrusion. Superimposed upon these rocks is an area of alluvium that covers the valley floor on either side of the River Yealm.

PLANNING HISTORY

Planning permission for mineral working was granted under the IDO legislation in 1947. The quarry was later extended by 56 hectares with a grant of a further permission in 1963. In August 1993 planning permission was granted for the importation of quarry and processed stone waste to form amenity embankments to the north of the existing working area. The scheme of conditions for the IDO permission was approved in April 1995.

ROMP STATUS

New England Quarry is an Active Phase I site. An approved scheme of conditions (dated 24 February 1999) controls development according to the approved plans, provision of a groundwater monitoring scheme, timing of the beginning of quarrying in the area east of the River Yealm, construction of a bridge over the Yealm, management of residual areas, construction of fences, lorry routeing, submission of details for the working of the area east of the River Yealm, soil storage, hours of working, blasting restrictions, the submission of monitoring schemes for noise, vibration and dust, and for the restoration and aftercare of the site.

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS

The site is currently 'mothballed' and all plant and most of the buildings have been removed. Secure site gates have been fitted to prevent trespass and an interim landscaping scheme is being considered.

This is a hard rock quarry which, when reactivated, will involve the need for blasting and heavy plant to move the rock from the quarry face and a new processing area.

Once quarrying is largely completed in the western part of the site, operations will shift across the River Yealm onto the eastern part of the permission area.

COMMENT

- The Mineral Consultation Area lies within an area classified by the Environment Agency as a minor aquifer.
- The Consultation Area contains known archaeological interest.
- The quarry will need a completely new plant area as part of the development if working restarts.
- A significant proportion of the site lies in the floodplain of the River Yealm.
- County Geological Site.

PROPOSALS

PROPOSAL: INSET 40.1

The MPA will ensure that a lorry routeing agreement will be considered as part of the proposals to reopen the site.

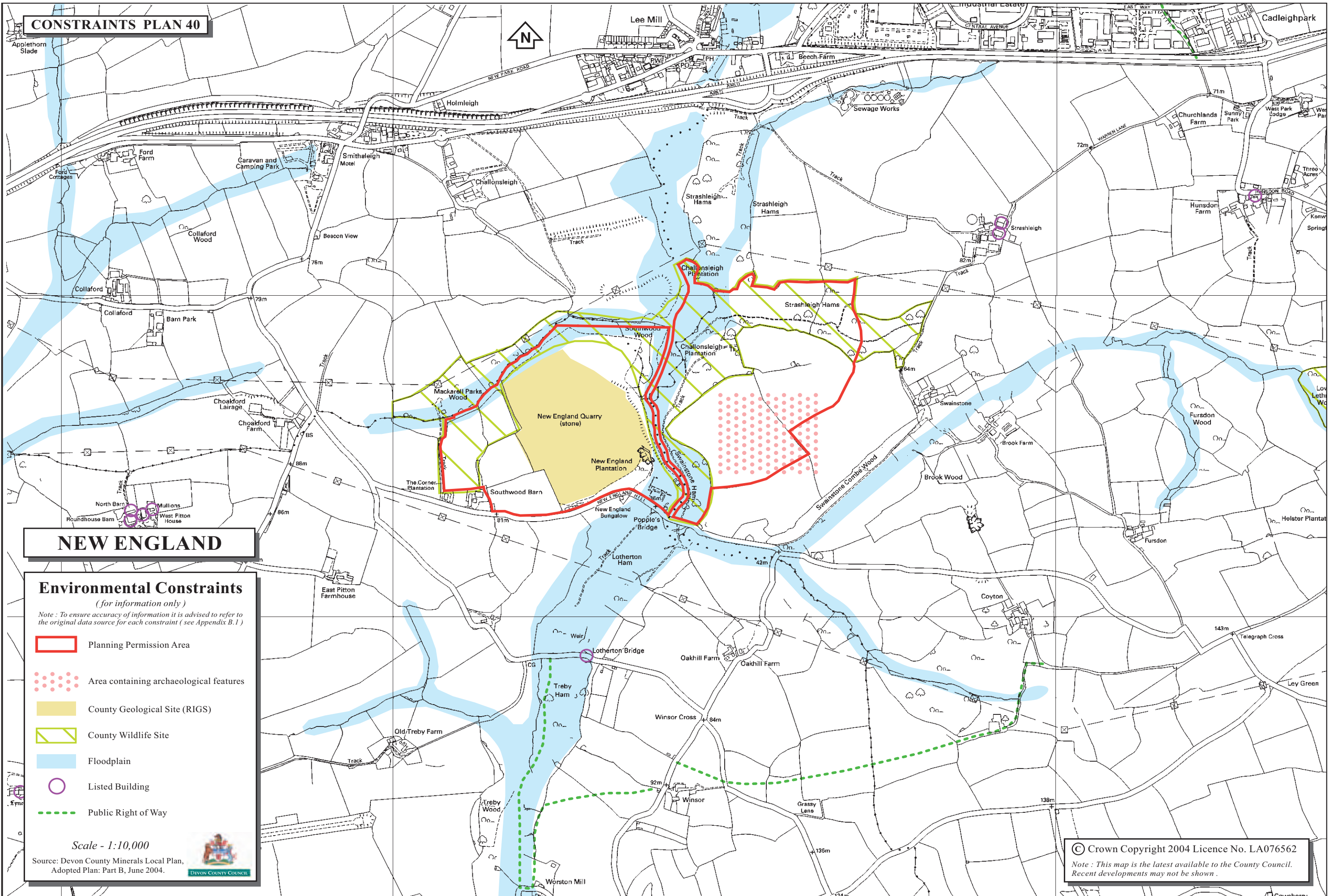
PROPOSAL: INSET 40.2

The MPA will encourage the conservation of appropriate geological exposures as part of any future proposals for the New England Site.



New England Quarry in 1987 before 'mothballing' of the site.

CONSTRAINTS PLAN 40










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Environmental Constraints

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Note : To ensure accuracy of information it is advised to refer to the original data source for each constraint (see Appendix B.1)

-  Planning Permission Area
-  Area containing archaeological features
-  County Geological Site (RIGS)
-  County Wildlife Site
-  Floodplain
-  Listed Building
-  Public Right of Way

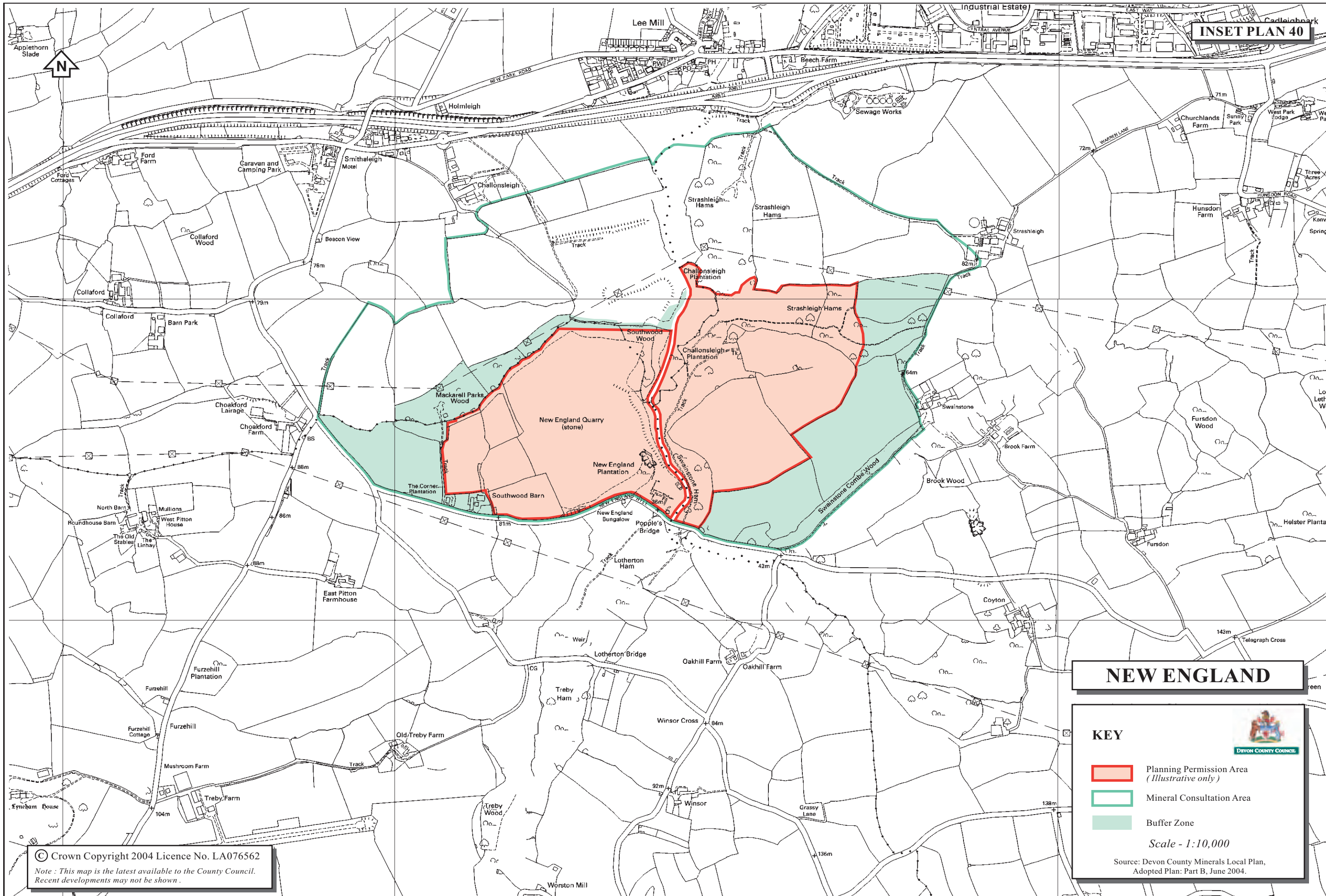
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KEY

- Planning Permission Area (Illustrative only)
- Mineral Consultation Area
- Buffer Zone

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