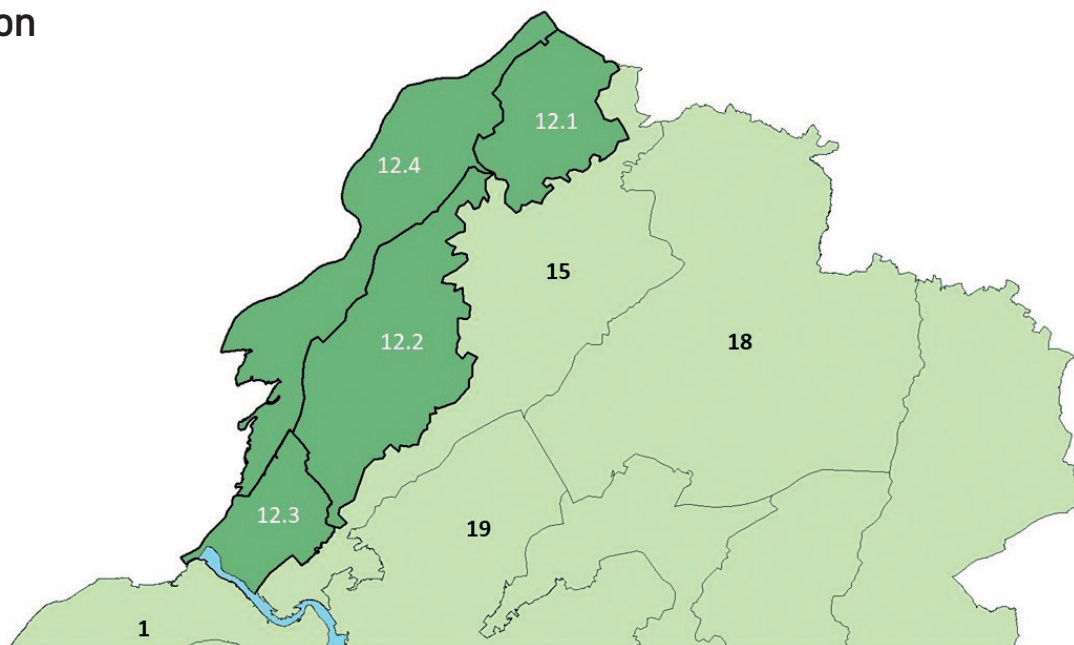


5.12 Severn Estuary Shoreline and Levels

Forest of Avon



Map Ref: 12.1
Oldbury Levels (SGC19)

- a. Ensure all woodlands have a current Forestry Commission management plan (or equivalent), addressing broad objectives, supporting their preparation and delivery.
- b. Conserve the few small 'withey beds' (growing of different species of willow for coppicing) scattered through the area, undertaking small-scale expansion of these and woodlands, whilst conserving priority habitats, historic monuments and viewpoints.
- c. Conserve and enhance orchards, prioritising those not covered by grant schemes, working to maintain locally distinctive varieties and extending these whilst conserving priority habitats, historic monuments and viewpoints.
- d. Conserve willow pollards, re-pollarding these as necessary to ensure long-term contribution to landscape character and as a farm timber resource. Establish small, irregular groups of native large willow adjacent to watercourses where permitted by statutory conservation designations.
- e. Ensure any new development requires the conservation and planting of trees within the site and as determined by scale and impact, includes off-site tree and woodland planting.

- f. Conserve and regenerate hedgerow boundaries with an initial focus on those outside grant schemes, which are not low cut and/or where hedgerow trees are present.
- g. Conserve hedgerow and other field trees and plant new ones at irregular spacings where absent within hedged boundaries.
- h. Ensure that public access routes are easy to use and follow.

Map Ref: 12.2
Pilning Levels (SGC20)

- a. Ensure all woodlands have a current Forestry Commission management plan (or equivalent), addressing broad objectives, supporting their preparation and delivery.
- b. Conserve the few small 'withey beds' (growing of different species of willow for coppicing) scattered through the area, undertaking small-scale expansion of these and woodlands, whilst conserving priority habitats, historic monuments and viewpoints.
- c. Conserve and enhance orchards, prioritising those not covered by grant schemes, working to maintain locally distinctive varieties and extending these whilst conserving priority habitats, historic monuments and viewpoints.

- d. Conserve willow pollards, re-pollarding these as necessary to ensure long-term contribution to landscape character and as a farm timber resource. Establish small, irregular groups of native large willow adjacent to watercourses where permitted by statutory conservation designations.
- e. Ensure any new development requires the conservation and planting of trees within the site and as determined by scale and impact, includes off-site tree and woodland planting. Where development is to take place at scale ensure that trees, woodland and other green infrastructure is planned in advance and not piecemeal, to maximise benefits.
- f. Conserve and regenerate hedgerow boundaries with an initial focus on those outside grant schemes, which are not low cut and/or where hedgerow trees are present.
- g. Conserve hedgerow and other field trees and plant new ones at irregular spacings where absent within hedged boundaries.
- h. Ensure that the Community Forest Path and other public access routes are easy to use and follow.



Map Ref:12.3

Avonmouth Area (Pilning Levels in Bristol)

- a. Ensure all woodlands have a Forestry Commission management plan (or equivalent), addressing multiple objectives and work with landowners to deliver these.
- b. Ensure any new development requires the conservation and planting of trees within the site and as determined by scale and impact, includes off-site tree and woodland planting. Where development is to take place at scale ensure that trees, woodland and other green infrastructure is planned in advance and not piecemeal, to maximise benefits.
- c. Conserve hedgerow boundaries which are not low cut and/or where hedgerow trees are present.
- d. Conserve hedgerow and other field trees and plant new ones at irregular spacings where absent within hedged boundaries.
- e. Ensure public access routes are easy to use and follow.