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NATURAL RESOURCES WALES

Assent ref no: A005546/1

ASSENT UNDER SECTION 28H OF THE WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981

Site(s) of Special Scientific Interest:
Gwent Levels - Nash and Goldcliff

Having considered the likely impact of the operation(s) described in your notice dated 24/02/2026 on the special features of the site(s) listed above; insofar as it is required in the exercise of your functions as a Section 28G Authority:

Natural Resources Wales hereby assents that,

BDUK Wales
6th Floor Stadium House
Park Street
Cardiff
CARDIFF
CF101NT

May carry out the operation(s) specified below in the manner prescribed:

Openreach are intending to install Full Fibre broadband to Common Farm - This will consist of installing approx. 150m of underground ducting along the private track road to the property.

This assent is subject to the following conditions:

Condition	Condition Reason
Works to be undertaken as detailed in the documents attached to the notice dated 24th February 2026	To safeguard the special interests of the Gwent Levels Nash and Goldcliff SSSI
All those working on site must be made aware of the SSSI status and the SSSI Assent and conditions that works must abide by.	To safeguard the special interests of the Gwent Levels Nash and Goldcliff SSSI
Any pollution incidents, including fuel or oil spills must be reported to the NRW incident line on 0300 065 3000 within 2 hours.	To ensure the impacts of any environmental incidents are minimised.
Any arisings from the trenching work must be stored more than 7m from any ditches and 12m from reens.	To safeguard the special interests of the Gwent Levels Nash and Goldcliff SSSI.
For any dewatering activities that may occur; only clean, uncontaminated water is to be discharged to watercourse. Discharge must not exceed greenfield run-off rate.	To safeguard the special interests of the Gwent Levels Nash and Goldcliff SSSI

This assent is valid until: 22/04/2026

If the work is delayed, assent conditions must be reconsidered.

This notice only relates to the above legislation. It does not release you from any obligations to obtain approval under other legislation or the general law. If proposed works involve development, you must also apply for planning permission to the Local Planning Authority. Some proposals may require the landowner's permission or other authorisations.

For the purposes of assessing the potential impact of this activity on any European sites, your authority is a competent authority under regulation 63 of The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017. You should ensure that you have fulfilled your responsibilities under these regulations before carrying out any work that may affect such a site.

Date: 10/03/2026

Signed: Kate Rodgers