

This is an addendum to AMR 2020 main report. We published the main report earlier this year rather than wait for this data on which only becomes available later in the year. The Environmental Quality data has now become available and is therefore added to the AMR 2020.

Environmental Quality

1. Single Data List Ref:160-00

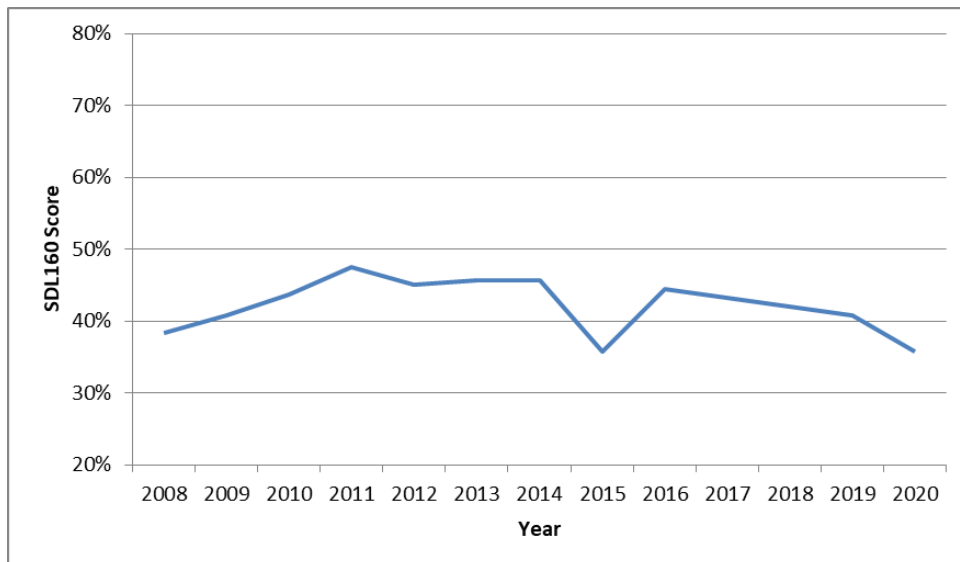
County Wildlife Sites and City Wildlife Sites are 'Local Sites' as defined by DEFRA. Local Sites have been assessed in terms of their management for the Local nature conservation/biodiversity data requirement on the Single Data List (Ref:160-00). This is the proportion of Local Sites where positive conservation management is being or has been implemented (Local Sites also include Local Geological Sites although there are none of these in East Cambridgeshire).

	2019/20	Change 18/19 - 19/20
Total number of Local Sites in East Cambridgeshire used in analysis	81	0
Number of Local Sites in East Cambridgeshire where positive conservation management is being or has been implemented during the last five years	29	-4
% sites where positive conservation management is being or has been implemented during the last five years	35.8%	-4.9%

There has been a decrease in the percentage of sites deemed to be in positive conservation management in 2019/20. The figures for Cambridgeshire are provided below as a comparison.

	2019/20	Change 18/19 - 19/20
Total number of Local Sites in Cambridgeshire used in analysis	422	+1
Number of Local Sites in Cambridgeshire sites where positive conservation management is being or has been implemented during the last five years	198	-10
% sites where positive conservation management is being or has been implemented during the last five years	46.9%	-2.5%

The overall trend in SDL160 score in East Cambridgeshire since the indicator began to be measured in 2008 is shown in the graph below.



SDL160 Score in East Cambridgeshire 2008-2020

2. Sites affected by development

East Cambridgeshire

A proposed residential dwelling within Mere Side Grasslands CWS resulted in the reduction in the size of the CWS by 0.25ha during 2018/19 as the boundary was amended to exclude the development area. However, the overall planning application area still overlaps with the CWS and preparatory works for the development are likely to have continued during 2019/20. Implementation of a Biodiversity Management Plan is part of the conditions of the development.

'Significantly affected' refers to situations where the integrity of site has been impacted to such an extent to compromise the reasons for which the site was designated originally and/or to result in a possible future boundary change. This consultation has been undertaken, if necessary, with relevant individuals representing organisations within the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough County Wildlife Sites Group. This section primarily refers to sites which have been newly affected by development in the monitoring year - on-going development within sites is not always mentioned here. As part of the analysis GIS layers were obtained showing development within Cambridgeshire during the monitoring year.