



What is SANG and SSSI ?

- SANG is a Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace, which is provided in order to stratify the Avoidance Strategy for the Thames Basin Heaths Special Protection Area (SPA). It was introduced to protect the ground-nesting birds in the Thames Valley Heaths. This affects all of Hook except the extreme south-west and means that, for every house to be built, developers must identify and allocate a specific area of fields or woodlands for the householders to use for any leisure activity e.g. dog walking. If such land isn't available, the development is not allowed to proceed.
- SSSI is a Site of Special Scientific Interest. This is an important site for ecology or biodiversity and is protected by law.