**Clarifications for Bidders Questions: Sussex Woods PSS Pilot**

**Q:** We acknowledge the Magic Map SSSI condition assessments are available for guidance. Can you also confirm whether any previously compiled woodland management plans for the specific woodlands are to be provided for review in advance of site assessment?

**A:** We can supply the successful tenderer with copies of WMP for those sites which have one, and where landowners have agreed for us to share.

**Q:** The RFQ states “At least 10 sample stops are required per unit.” However, as I’m sure you’re aware unit size varies considerably, from c.1.5 to >40ha. The ‘at least’ allows for more sample stops in larger units but not for fewer stops in smaller units. 10 stops in a unit of c.1.5 ha seems a lot. Is there scope to reduce the number of stops in smaller units, for example less than 10 or 20 ha?

**A:** Our Protected Sites Lead has confirmed that units can have a reduced number of sample stops as below:

Less than 10ha: Min. 6 stops

10 - 20ha: Min. 8 stops

Over 20 ha: Min. 10 survey stops