

Warwickshire Geological Conservation Group

Warwickshire Local Geological Site		
Site No: 23	Kings Hill Farm, Finham	
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Local Geological Sites (LoGS), designated by locally developed criteria, are currently the most important places for geology and geomorphology outside statutorily protected land such as Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI). The designation of LoGS is one way of recognising and protecting important Earth science and landscape features for future generations to enjoy.

WGCG is responsible for the identification of LoGS in Warwickshire and the West Midlands.

Please note that designation of a site as a LoGS does not confer a legal right of access. Unless the site is on a designated public right-of-way, the landowner's permission is required before visiting.

Warwickshire Local Geological Site - Criteria Form

Site name: Kings Hill Farm, Finham	Also known as:		
District: Warwick	County: Warwickshire		
Grid reference: SP 32595 74434	LoGS Number: 23	ESCC Class:	IS

Brief Description: A large glacial erratic situated on King's Hill Farm, Finham. This site is possibly the largest glacial erratic still in-situ in Warwickshire. The erratic is of monzonite, an igneous intrusive rock intermediate between syenite and diorite, and its source has been traced to Croft in Leicestershire, 36.5km to the north east of its present position.

This site qualifies as a Local Geological Site for the following criteria:

A Good Example of a glacial erratic of known source in the county

Educational Fieldwork

1. Educational Potential	✓	2. Physical access	✓	3. Safety	✓
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Scientific Study

1. Diversity of interest		2. Rarity of interest		3. Size of feature	✓
4. Typicalness of feature		5. Geological/physiographic linkage to: <i>Croft (Leics.)</i>			✓

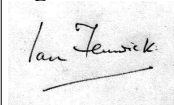
Historical Value

1. Celebrity link		2. Pioneering research		3. Historical link	
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Aesthetic Value In The Landscape

1. Local importance in the landscape		2. Promotion of Earth science	
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Signed



I M Fenwick, Chairman,
Warwickshire Geological Conservation Group

Date first selected February 1992

Reviewed by LoGS panel Oct. 2009

Further survey required

LoGS Confirmed

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Endorsed by

Warwickshire Museum

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In the event of any development or planning consultation relating to this site or its surrounds please inform:

The LoGS Officer WGCG, c/o Keeper of Geology, Warwickshire Museum, Market Place,
Warwick CV34 4SA (tel: 01926-418182)

WARWICKSHIRE GEOLOGICAL CONSERVATION GROUP

LOCAL GEOLOGICAL SITE (LoGS)

Site	23	King's Hill Farm, Finham
Parish		Stoneleigh
District		Warwick
County		Warwickshire
National Grid Reference		SP 32595 74434
Ordnance Survey Sheets 1:50000	140	
1:10000	SP 37 SW	

Location
A large glacial erratic situated on Kings Hill Farm, Finham. The site can be reached by following the B4113, St Martin's Road from Stoneleigh, travelling under the A46 and turning left into King's Hill Lane.

Summary of Interest
<p>The site is possibly one of the largest (c. 1.5m diam.) glacial erratics in Warwickshire. It is made of monzonite, an intrusive igneous rock, intermediate between syenite and diorite, and its origin has been traced to Croft in Leicestershire, 36km to the NE of its present position. The Croft monzonite forms a hill which was probably a nunatak during the advance of the ice from the NE during the Anglian Stage of the Pleistocene. This was once designated as a SSSI and still offers a useful teaching site for GCSE and Degree levels. When in situ, it was located at a site on the farm which has now been traversed by the A46.</p> <p>Awaiting site visit</p>



