

Brief Description:

- An area of spoil material from the former Binley Colliery which has yielded plant fossils from the Lower and Middle Coal Measures (Upper Carboniferous)

Monitoring Report:

- Grid Ref: SP 379770 (centroid) fossiliferous tips bounded by SP 37877700, 37917700, 37977710 and 37907710
- The site has some interpretation boards: these have not all been harmed, some just need a polish.....so potentially a geological one could be installed.
- The spoil tips are quite vegetated as previously reported (2009) but with patience rare bits and bobs of Carboniferous rock chiefly sandstone, can be found.
- The site is blessed with wonderful branched lichens, in some places like a dense carpet, all over the ground.
- Quite a large percentage of the sandstone lumps lying around are Hartshill Sandstone and various other species of road stone plus concrete are the main elements of the spoil at present.
- Fossils including quite a large piece probably of *Calamites* have been found in the fairly recent past and fossils will still be plentiful inside the spoil heaps, presumably.

Link to Original LoGS (RIGS) document:

<http://lgs.wgcg.co.uk/LoGS57.pdf>

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Figure 1 the interpretation board describing the Silt Lagoons



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