## **SOUTH DEVON NATIONAL LANDSCAPE**

## (South Devon Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB))

On Wednesday 22 November 2023 all "Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONBs)" in England and Wales became National Landscapes. Covering 337 square kilometres (130 square miles) of coastline, estuaries and countryside, South Devon Area Landscape stretches from Berry Head in Brixham to Jennycliff near Plymouth and was designated an AONB by the government in 1960 and became a Nation Landscape in November 2023. As well as being a place of fabulous views and fantastic countryside it is home to 34,000 people.

As a Protected Landscape the South Hams is deemed, by law, to have ten special qualities which make it unique and worthy of extra protection. These are: a wild and rugged coastline; a network of streams, rivers and estuaries; rolling farmland; open tops and hidden valleys; long unspoiled views; a long lived-in landscape; rich in wildlife; naturally tranquil; with an ancient network of routes and quality views beyond the AONB boundary.



We welcome everyone's help in preserving this area and in particular Bovisand.

There is a lot of information on the web covering South Devon Landscape, the following are probably the best starting places:

## **South Devon Area Landscape:**

<u>Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty are now National Landscapes - News (devon.gov.uk)</u>
South Devon National Landscape | South Devon National Landscape (southdevon-nl.org.uk)

The South Hams Society

**South Hams Society website**