



## DODGSON WOOD

What does SSSI mean?

Special Site of Scientific Interest. A government body has designated the area as a SSSI and means that regular monitoring is undertaken.

Why does the National Trust own the barn, campsite and cottage?

They were donated to the National Trust by the previous owners and are therefore protected from future sale or major changes on the land. The SSSI status further protects the land from development. It also has nationally important archeology dating back to the Bronze Age.

Why can't we collect our own firewood?

Because one of the main reasons it is an SSSI site is because it is an important habitat for bryophytes (the oldest land plants on earth. They have been around for 400 million years) which live off living and rotting wood. Moving any wood from the site disturbs these habitats. Moving wood can result in fines from Natural England of up to £5,000.

Why do we need to ask permission to bring dogs?

We often have to move livestock past the campsite and Parkamoor and often have grazing sheep next to the barn. It's helpful to know when dogs are around. There is also a lot of wildlife living in the woods.

Why do we have to bring bottled water for the campsite?

The water onsite is straight from the streams and so is untreated. The barn and Parkamoor have a filtration system fitted so the water there is drinkable.

Why do you limit the number of cars onsite?

This is part of our lease agreement so as to limit disturbance to the site.

Why can't we drive up to Parkamoor?

When you see how rough the track is you will understand! Also, it's not a public road and as part of our agreement with the National Trust, only we can drive people up to Parkamoor.

Why can't we have a campfire at Parkamoor?

Because of how remote the cottage is, the National Trust don't allow campfires at the cottage.

Why are there compost toilets?

As it is a SSSI and because we want to run the site as eco-friendly as possible, we use compost toilets to minimize impact on the land.

Why are there no showers?

We have looked into this and due to the sensitive nature of the sites and the lack of electricity, we cannot have showers installed.