EC Directive 92/43 on the Conservation of Natural Habitats and of Wild Fauna and Flora

Citation for Special Area of Conservation (SAC)

Name: Dew's Ponds

Unitary Authority/County: Suffolk

SAC status: Designated on 1 April 2005

Grid reference: TM387718
SAC EU code: UK0030133

Area (ha): 6.74

Component SSSI: Dew's Ponds SSSI

Site description:

This site in rural East Suffolk comprises a series of 12 ponds set in an area of formerly predominantly arable land. The ponds range from old field ponds created for agricultural purposes to some constructed in recent years specifically for wildlife. Some of the land has been converted from arable to grassland, with a variety of grassland types present. Other habitats include hedges and ditches. Great crested newts *Triturus cristatus* have been found in the majority of ponds on the site.

Qualifying species: The site is designated under article 4(4) of the Directive (92/43/EEC) as it hosts the following species listed in Annex II:

• Great crested newt Triturus cristatus

This citation relates to a site entered in the Register of European Sites for Great Britain.

Register reference number: UK0030133 Date of registration: 14 June 2005

Signed: Trew Salm

On behalf of the Secretary of State for Environment,

Food and Rural Affairs

