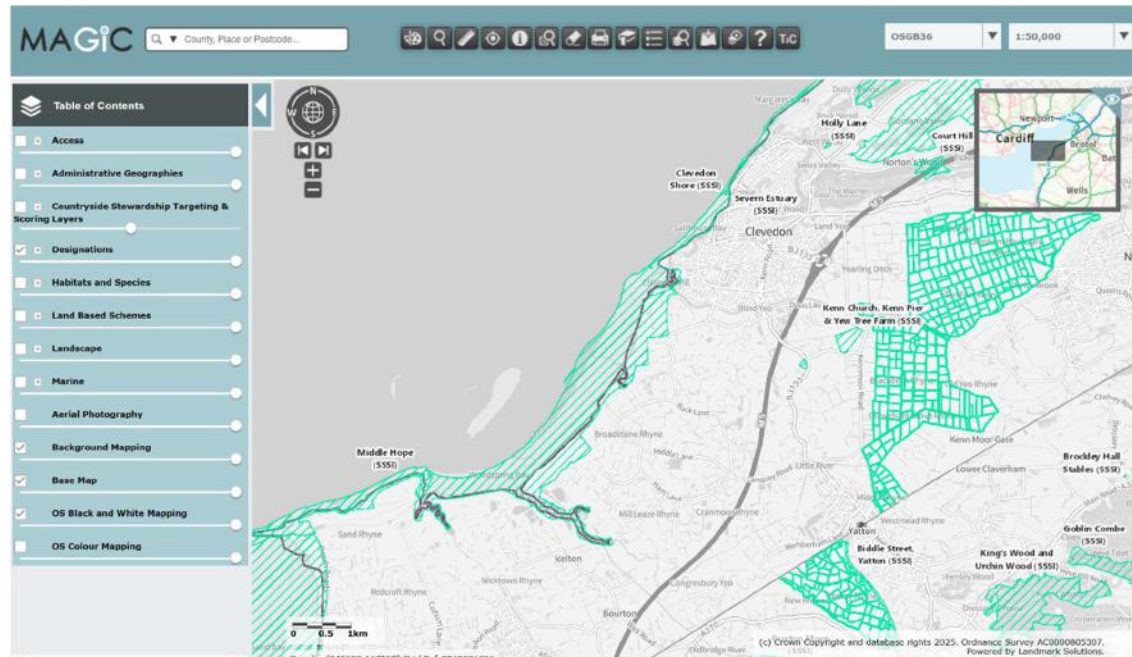


The ecosystem of Kingston Seymour is unique. Much of the landscape has been preserved through low intensity agricultural with areas of re-hedging (by EDF) and re-wilding. There is a lack of intensive farming here which has led to a rich biodiversity.

Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs)

Kingston Seymour has a large swathe of SSSI land along the sea wall which is protected by law.

There are also large pockets of SSSIs inland including at the golf course on Lower Strode Road and along the road. These contain rare and endangered plant species and flora and fauna.



Source: MagicMap 2025

Other Environmental Constraints

Orchards and Thatchers Cider

Kingston Seymour has ancient apple orchards on Ham Lane which have been used for Thatcher's Cider for many years. Orchards normally have a 100 year contract with Thatchers for the delivery of their apples. Closer proximity of the seawall and potential saltwater incursion would have a detrimental effect on the orchards and their apples, endangering existing contracts with Thatchers Cider, and opening up the possibility of legal action by orchard owners.

Countryside Stewardship Schemes

Large swathes of farmland and grassland are designed and protected by Countryside Stewardship Schemes. These schemes provide financial incentives for farmers to look after and improve the natural environment.