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? About me:

I've been working with HIWWT for the past 13 years. My Reserve Officer role is two-thirds farmer, one-third community engagement. I like the hands on work and engaging local people with the land management.

? About the site:

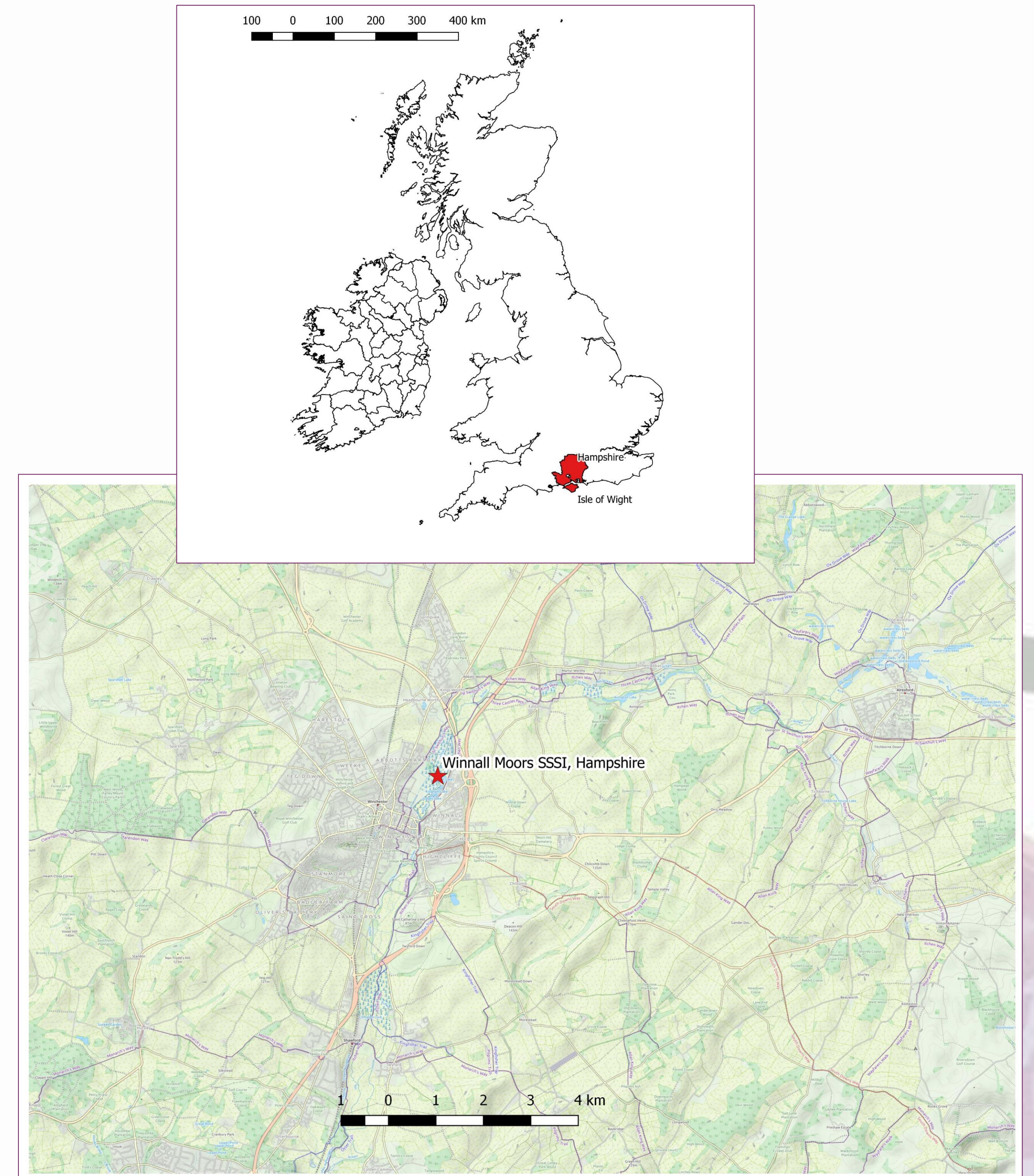
Winnall Moors is a 64ha wetland on the Itchen Valley, containing wet grassland, hay meadows, reedbed, wet woodland and SAC chalk stream habitats. It was once farmed by the monks of Hyde Abbey and was converted to water meadows in the 1700s. Like most wetlands it has a touch of magic about it!



? Site monitoring:

HIWWT is trying to encourage the return of wading birds which once bred throughout the Itchen valley, but declined and disappeared from Winnall Moors in the 2000s. The monitoring work is focusing on how rewetting some of the water meadows affects the flora of the meadows

? Site location:



? My ambassadorial role:

At present my ambassador role connects to colleagues at HIWWT and neighbours of the four nature reserves I manage. I see the ambassador role as filling gaps in my knowledge, especially in species identification and eco-hydrology. The nature reserves are places where all aspects of wet meadow management can be seen, providing opportunities to share knowledge and experience.

