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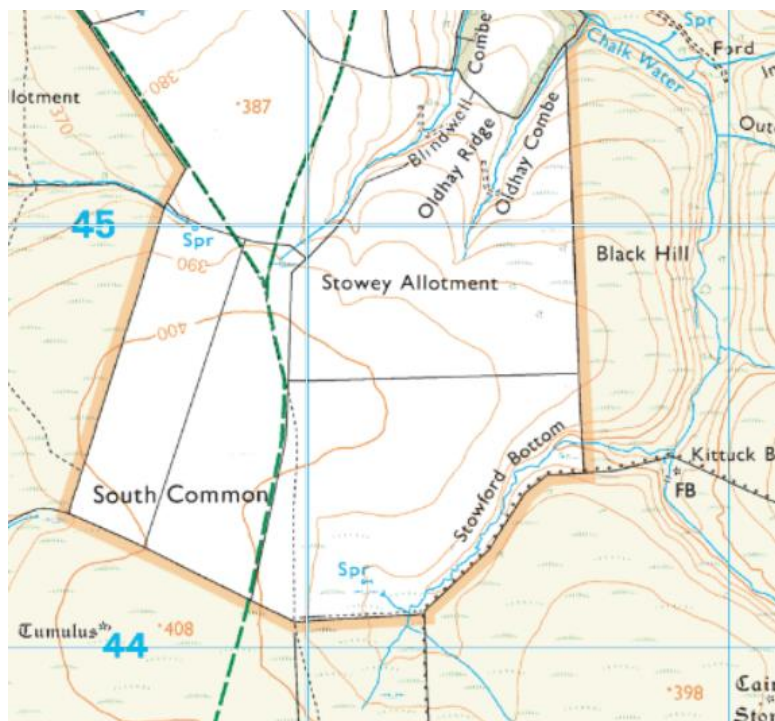
Exmoor Important Additional Information

Essential information relating to DofE practice and qualifying expeditions going to Exmoor National Park.

Whilst the majority of DofE expeditions to Exmoor National Park are incident free, there are three high use areas we would like to highlight to all groups where undue care and attention has caused problems. We would ask all Expedition Supervisors to brief any of their groups crossing these areas about the importance of groups sticking together as well as closing gates.

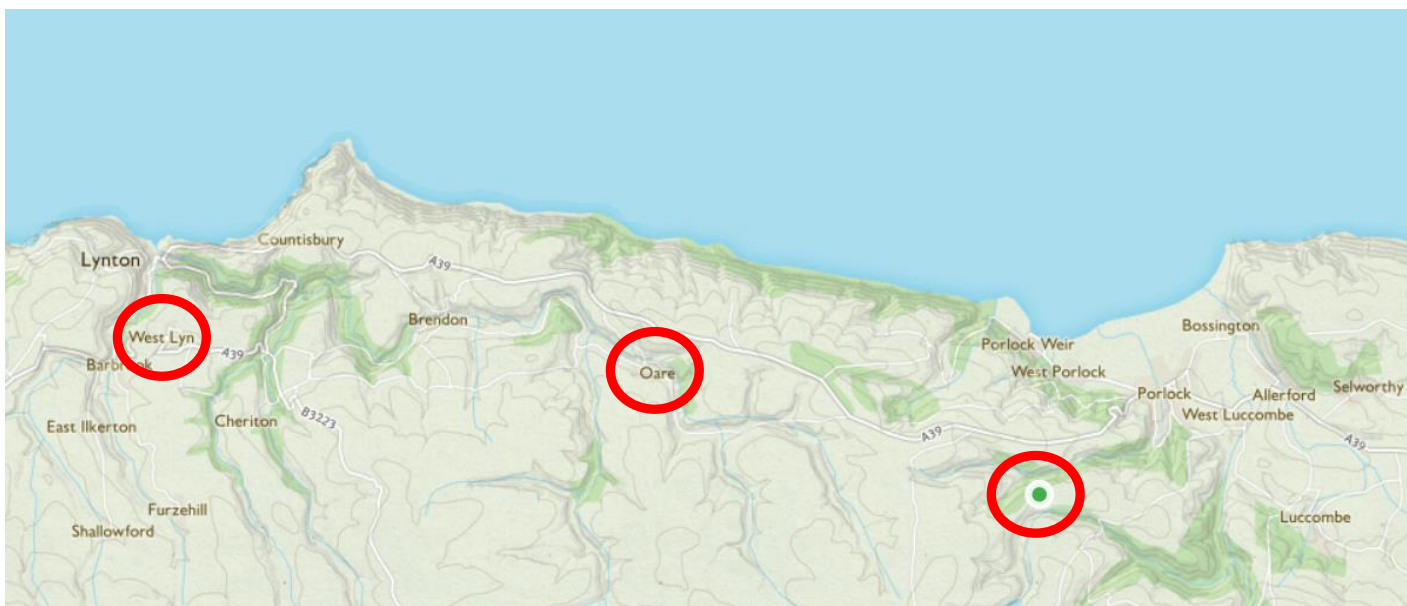
Advice from landowners and the National Park recommends that all **gates are shut, unless** they are securely and obviously tied open by the farmer. In addition, it is the DofE's request that all groups pass through gates together, as one group to avoid any uncertainty about how to leave the gate once the group has passed through.

As part of their navigation, please ensure groups are aware of the difference of being in open access areas and when on footpaths not in open access. Please highlight the colour differences seen on a 1:25,000 map that differentiate between these two areas (white for farmland and yellow/brown for open access land).

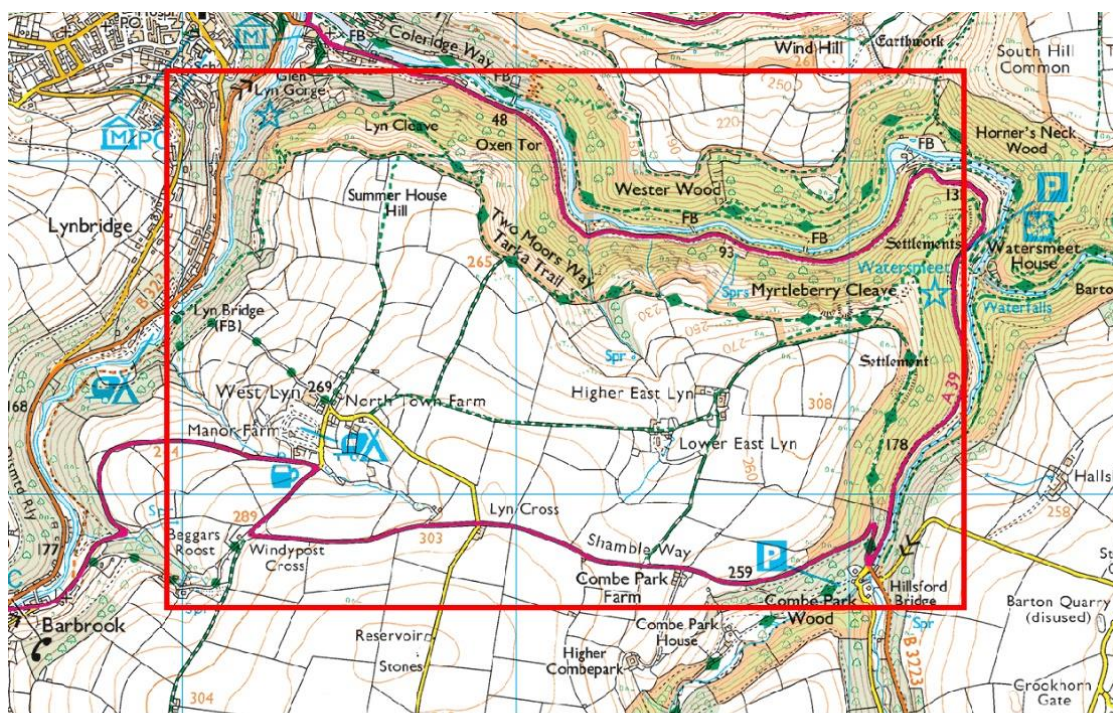


Groups are requested to pay particular care and attention in the following three locations:

1. West Lyn
2. Oare - South Common/Stowey Ridge and camp sites of Malmsmead and Exford
3. Lucott Cross

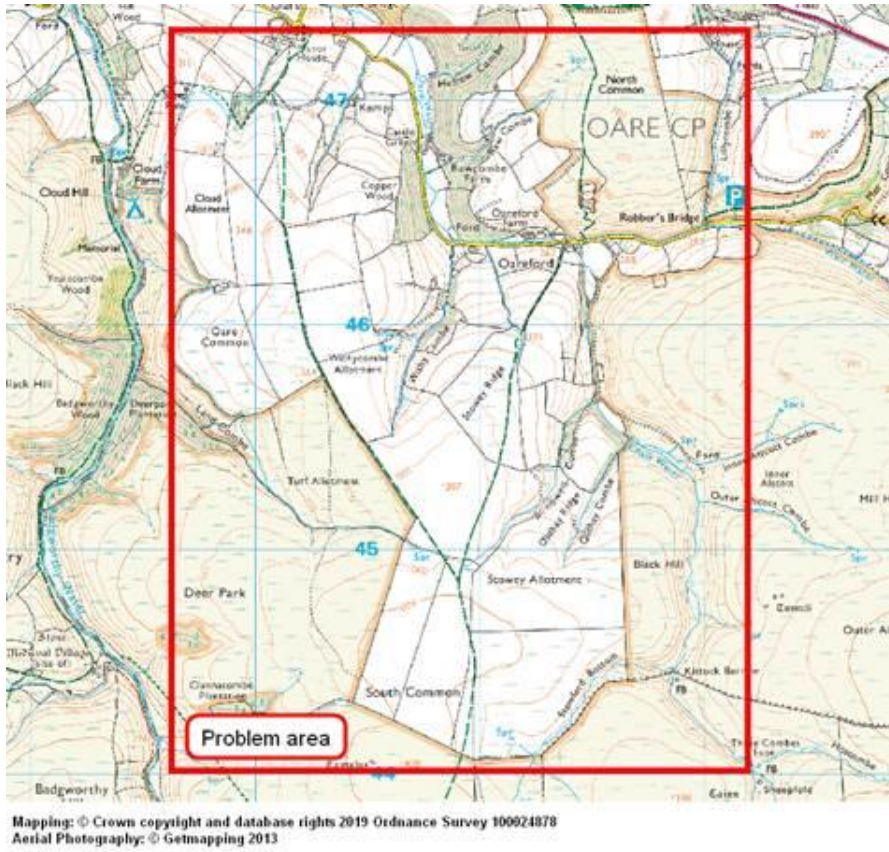


1: West Lyn



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2: Oare - South Common/Stowey Ridge and camp sites of Malmsmead and Exford



3: Lucott Cross

