ARLINGTON LANDFILL SITE, NEAR HAILSHAM (Grid reference TQ 569 088)

Two land raising sites are located close to Arlington, The sites are roughly 2 km west of Hailsham, just to the east of the Arlington Speedway Stadium on both sides of the C210.

- **1967 May** Planning permission was granted for disposal of waste after pulverisation on the first Arlington site north of the road.
- **1969 Feb** The site was operated as a land raising disposal site by Hailsham Rural District Council. It received domestic and local trade waste which was pulverised prior to deposition.

The site was cleared of existing trees, roots and undergrowth (with a perimeter screen of trees retained). A 2.5m clay bund was constructed around the site to form an enclosed area for the waste and any leachate generated. The waste was tipped to a depth of approximately 1.8m.

- **1973 June** It is reported that the second site at Arlington, south of the road, operated from this date. Operational procedures were believed to be the same as those for the other site.
- **1973 Oct** Filling at the Knockhatch Farm first Arlington site ceased
- **1974** The site was operated by Wealden District Council as agents for the newly formed East Sussex County Council.
- **1976** The operation of the site was taken over by East Sussex County Council.
- **1977 Autumn** The site stopped accepting waste. However, at the time there was a shortage of cover material and it was in late 1978 that suitable material became available. The waste was covered to a depth of 300mm but this did not include a layer of topsoil.
- **1992 June** Restoration was started on the Arlington Landfill site by the landowner, with the knowledge of the Waste Regulation Authority licensing section.
- **1992 Sept** The policy and Technical section of the Waste Regulation Authority remedied a leachate out break at the entrance of the Arlington site and provided a new stone access road.
- **1994 Feb** Planning applications were submitted on behalf of the landowner to the County Planning Officer for further restoration of both sites.
- To Date East Sussex County Council continue to monitor the site for landfill gas and remove leachate to waste water treatment works. The current annual volume of leachate is approximately 200,000 gallons.