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## Birds Records from the Vicinity of Kirkham Prison

To Whoever it may concern,

A search has been conducted for records of birds using the area adjacent to Kirkham Prison using the Fylde Bird Club's database. The search area covered tetrads SD43A and SD43F, this area is illustrated below in figure 1. The search was restricted to bird species which are cited in the Ribble and Alt, and the Morecambe Bay Special Protection Areas (SPAs). These records show that the area under consideration is not Functionally Linked to the SPAs because it does not support significant numbers of SPA cited species. The search results are contained in the file 'Kirkham Prison Bird Records.xlsx'.

The Fylde Bird Club holds an extensive computer based database of bird records covering the Fylde recording area. These records, which number in excess of 750000 and date back to 1996. The Fylde Bird Club are recognised as the body which holds the most complete and detailed set of ornithological records for the Fylde recording area.

The finding above is supported by personal experience of bird recording on the Fylde for over thirty years. I have never recorded wildfowl or waders using this area in significant numbers nor have I ever heard of any such records.

Yours sincerely,

Secretary Fylde Bird Club Paul Ellis

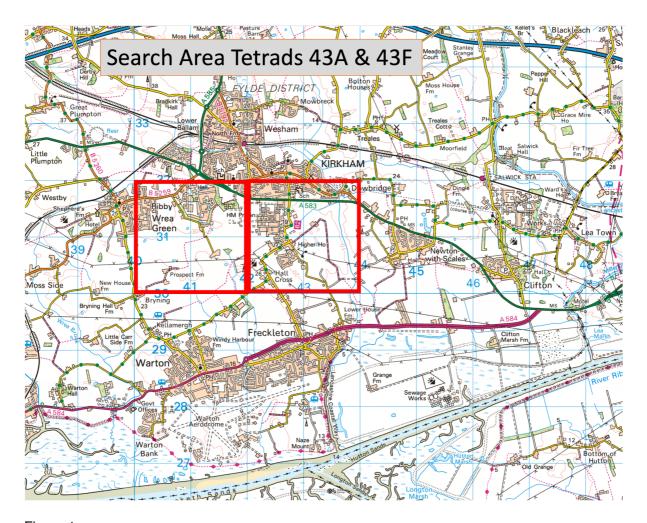


Figure 1