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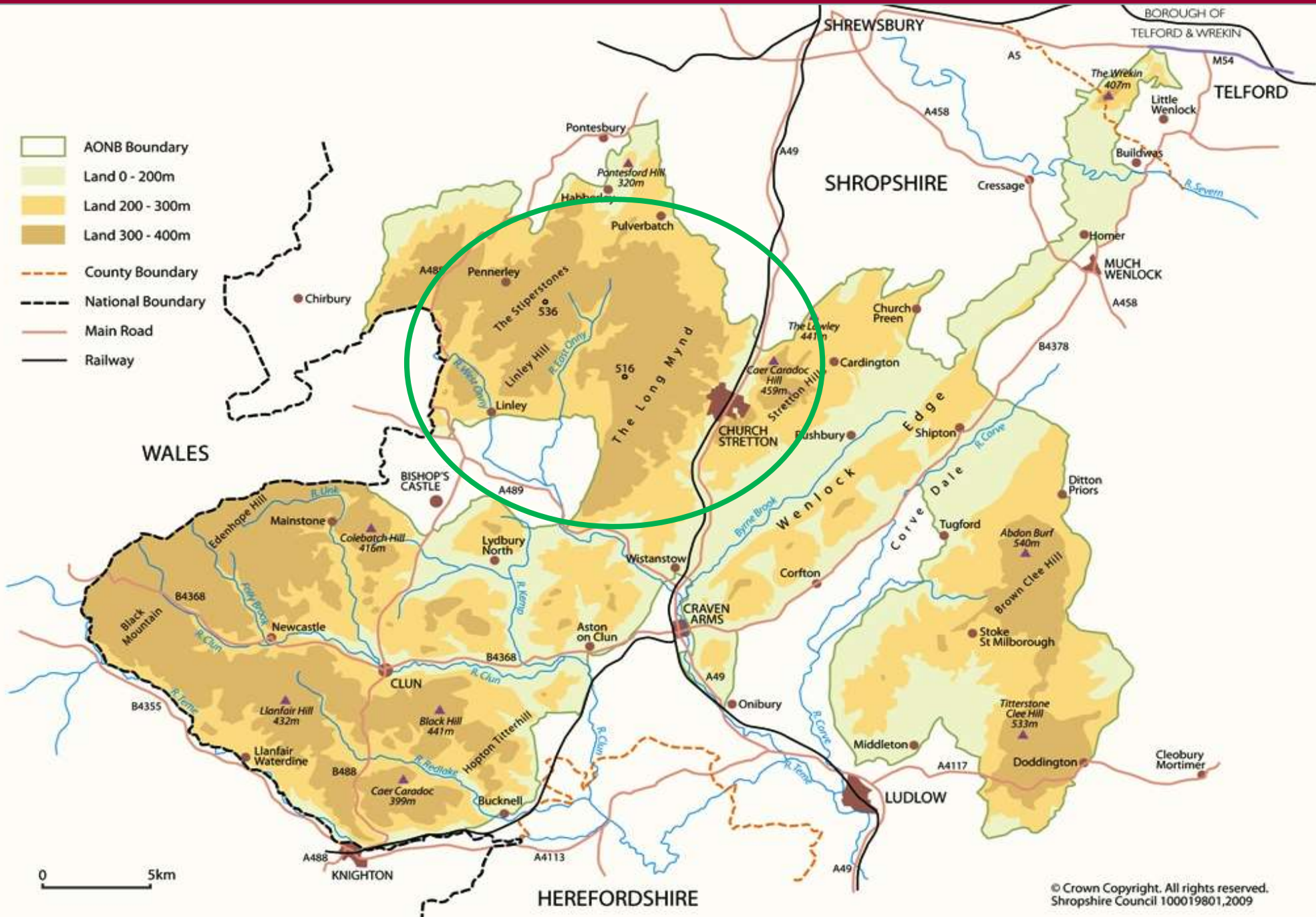
Species action plans for the **Stepping Stones** Project



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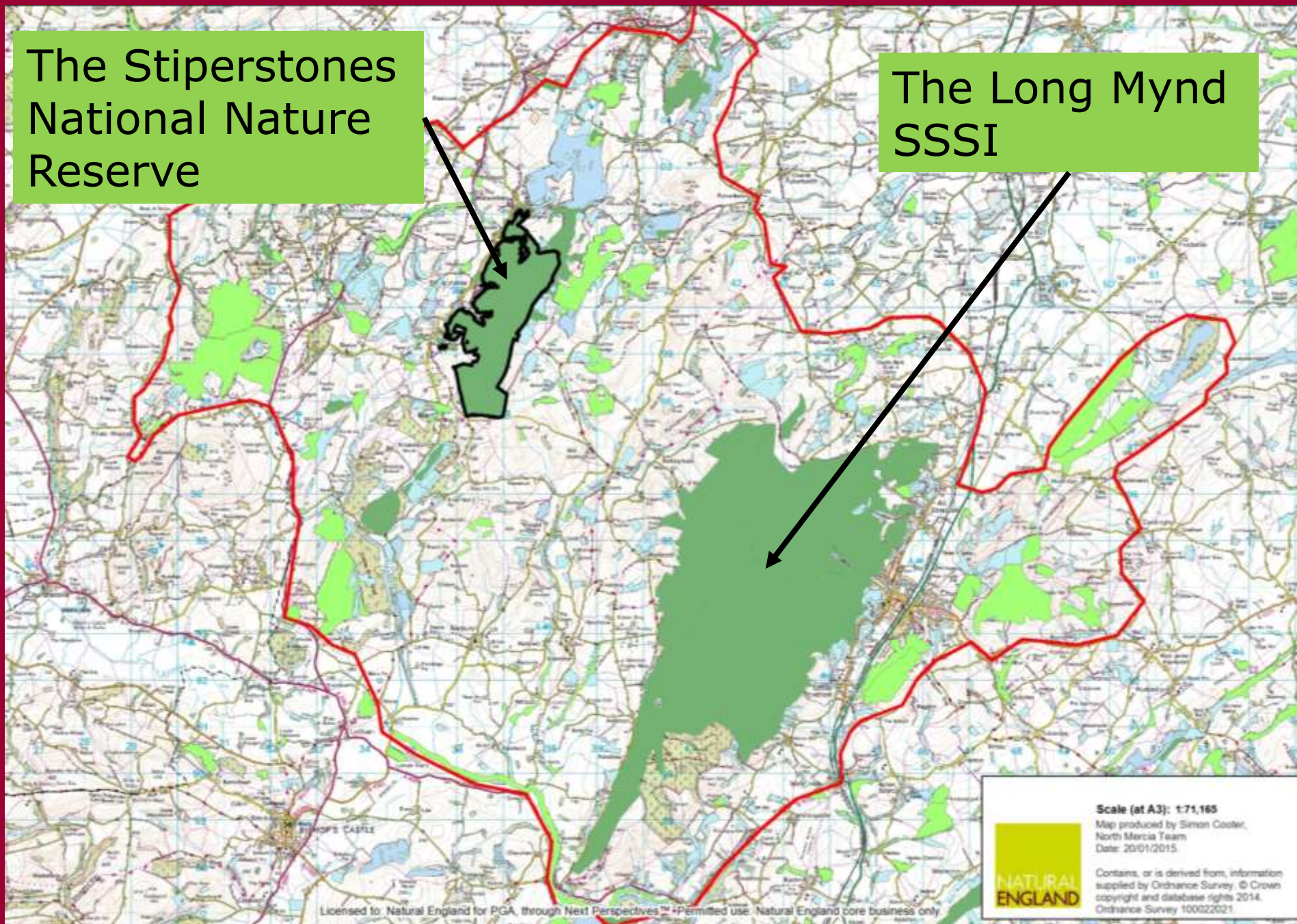


-  AONB Boundary
-  Land 0 - 200m
-  Land 200 - 300m
-  Land 300 - 400m
-  County Boundary
-  National Boundary
-  Main Road
-  Railway



The Stiperstones
National Nature
Reserve

The Long Mynd
SSSI



Scale (at A3): 1:71,165

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What's the problem?

- Landscape change





Declining
Only 19
pairs left
on 7 farms



Extinct
1990




Declining
Only 1
breeding
attempt in
last 3 years
on the
Stiperstones



Extinct
1992



Extinct
1920



Extinct
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Declining
24% loss in
9 years



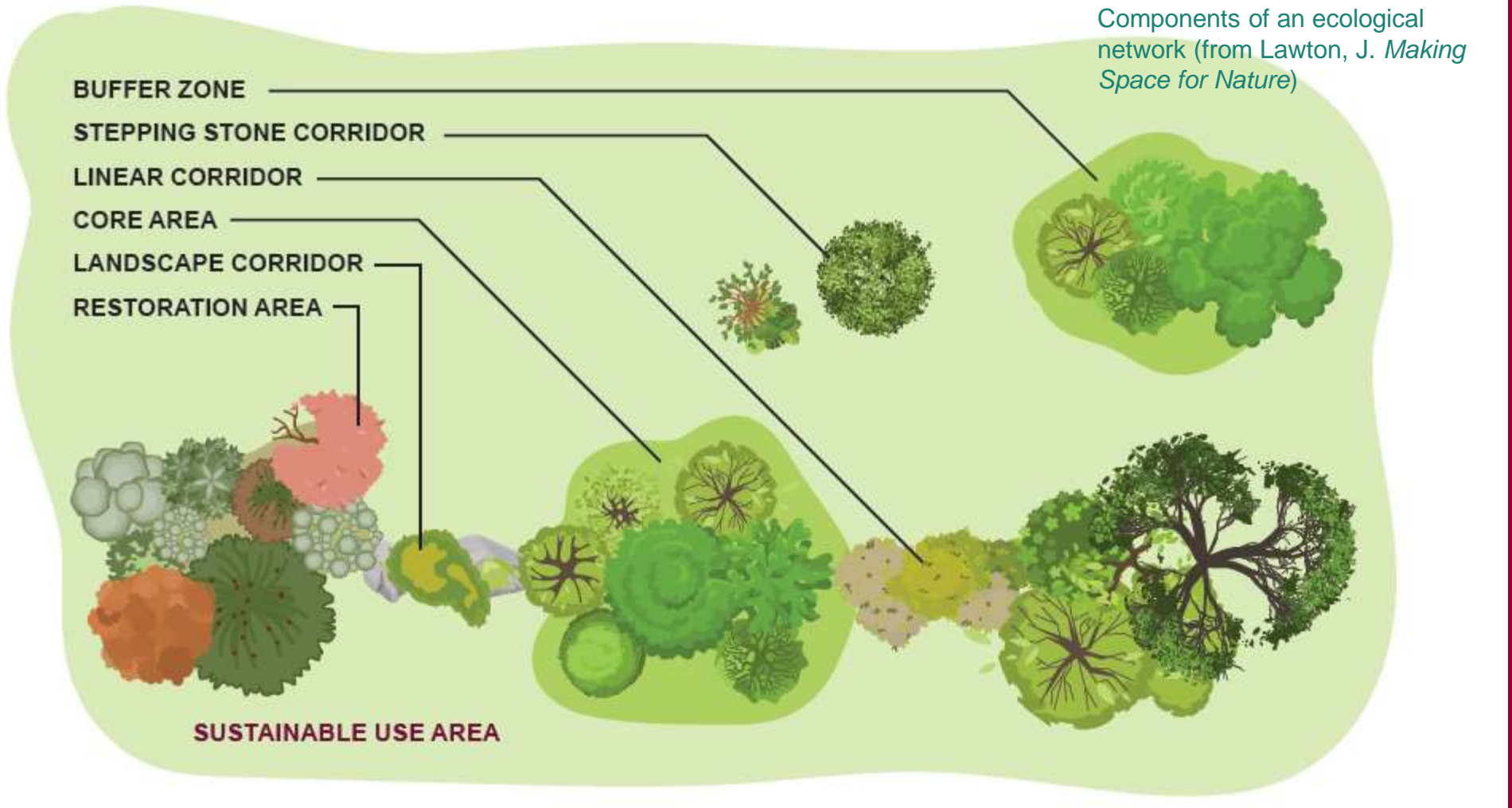
Extinct
2004

50 Year Vision

For the **natural habitats** in the Shropshire Hills to be restored, healthy and connected, and for **people** who live, work and visit here to understand, appreciate benefit from and support our efforts to rejuvenate this remarkable landscape.



Protect, buffer, enhance and connect



Species Action Plans

List important species in the area and identify target species for the project



Seek advice from local/national groups and individuals



Identify actions to help benefit the species



Identify a champion for each species



Seek funding and help to deliver actions

Champion species

Selection of Champion Species should be selected using three criteria:

- Species of conservation concern
- Indicators of healthy habitats
- Charismatic species



- Bilberry bumblebee
- Small pearl-bordered fritillary
- Mountain pansy
- Dipper
- Otter
- Upland dragonflies
- Cowberry
- Snipe
- Tree pipit
- Dormouse
- Devils-bit scabious
- Willow tit



**Stepping Stones
Conference**

**SPECIES ACTION
PLANS**

Friday 23rd February 2024

10am – 4pm

Norbury Village Hall

