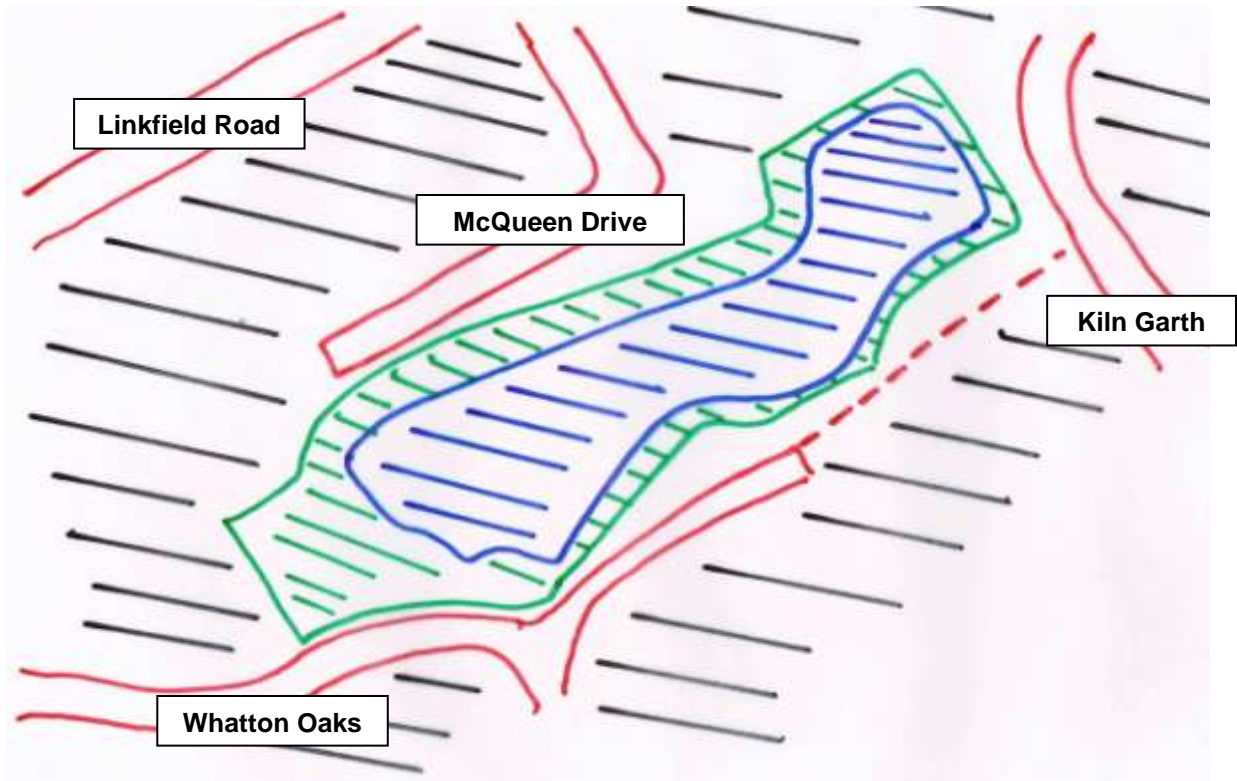


## Mountsorrel Wildlife Sites 2016

### Linkfield Road Pond



Linkfield Road Pond is part of the former clay pit of the Victorian Adkins Brickworks, later part of the Alvis/Rolls Royce and Cardboard Box manufacturing sites now redeveloped for housing.



*Villagers skating on the brickyard pond – late Victorian era*

*Photo courtesy of N Wakeling*

The site is registered with Charnwood Borough Council as a Site Important for Nature Conservation (CBC Reference CBCW 5814/3). The south-eastern perimeter of the site forms the boundary with Rothley Parish.

The pond is in private ownership and is not accessible to the public, being securely fenced for obvious health and safety reasons. Whilst the perimeter is quite heavily wooded limited visibility is possible from McQueen Drive (off Linkfield Road).



***Linkfield Rd Pond from McQueen Drive - 2016***

At a survey carried out in October 2008 for CBC a total of 591 common toads were counted in the pond.