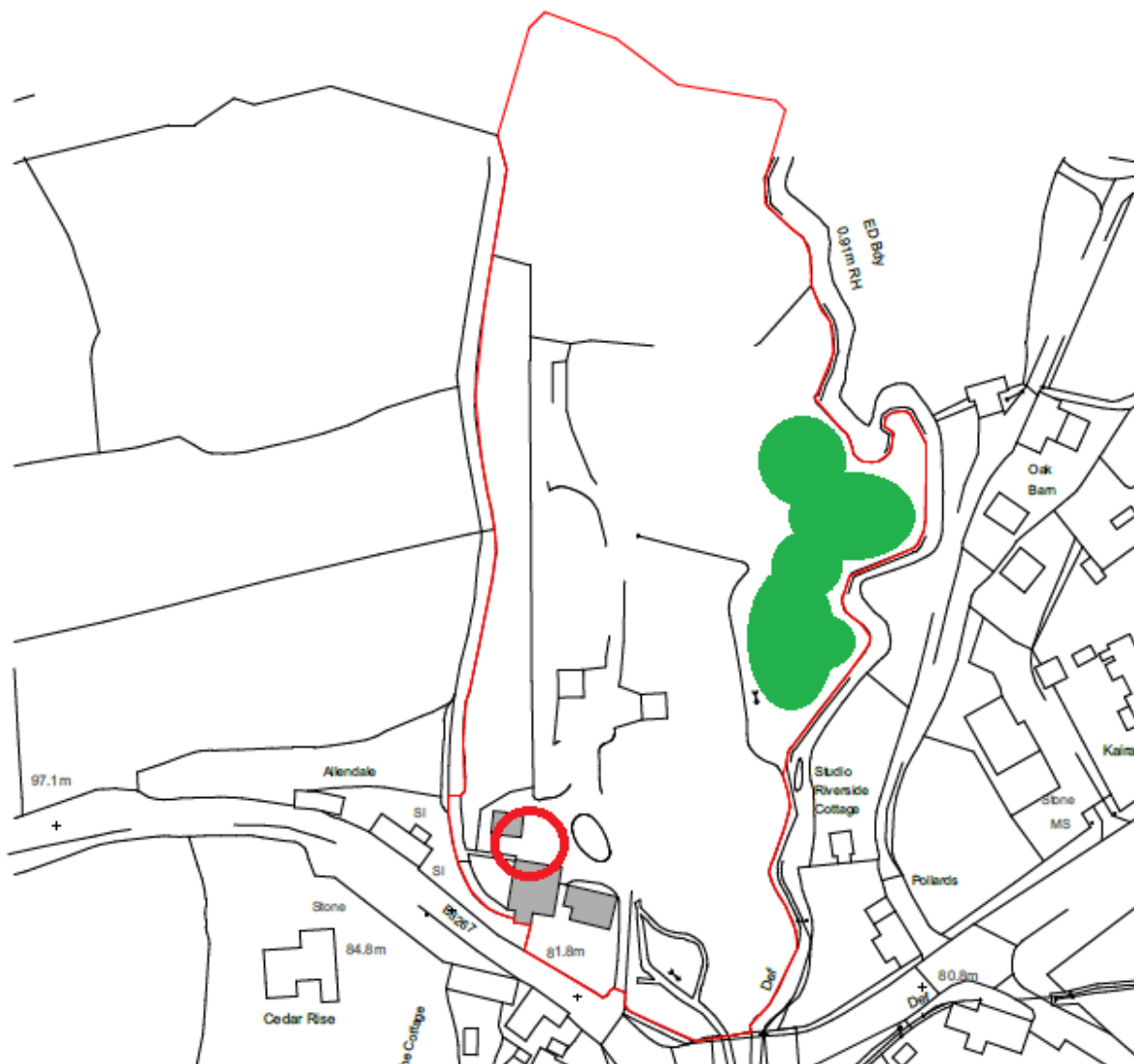


Knights Mill Cottage, Knights Mill, Hill Street, Teath, Bodmin

Invasive Species Control Plan

Himalayan Balsam (*Impatiens glandulifera*) has been identified as being present within the Applicants' ownership in the **Ecological Impact Assessment** undertaken by Arbtech Consulting Limited.

The approximate location and broad extent of such is identified below (in **green**) on an extract from the Site Location Plan submitted alongside the planning application.



Whilst the Himalayan Balsam falls within the **application site boundary** (shown **edged red** on the preceding page), it is clearly at a significant distance away from the **proposed development** (**circled red**) – and will obviously not be at all affected by it.

Notwithstanding the above, Himalayan Balsam is an invasive species that is firmly established along the Camel Valley estuary and its tributaries.

Consequently, the Applicants are already aware of the presence of Himalayan Balsam on their land – and are already two years into an **eradication plan** whereby the plants are cut down or pulled up BEFORE they produce seeds. They understand seeds can live in the soil for 3 to 4 years and produce new plants each season, and so the work is ongoing (i.e. to remove any latent seed growth in the soil before the plants reach maturity and produce a new seed batch).

Even after the Himalayan Balsam on the wider property has been eradicated, there will be annual management - as it is understood the seeds are transferred by water and wildlife and will quickly re-establish itself without such ongoing management.