

Blaenau Gwent Wildlife Site/SINC Notification Form

SITE SUMMARY

SITE NAME:

GRID REF:

SURVEYOR(S):

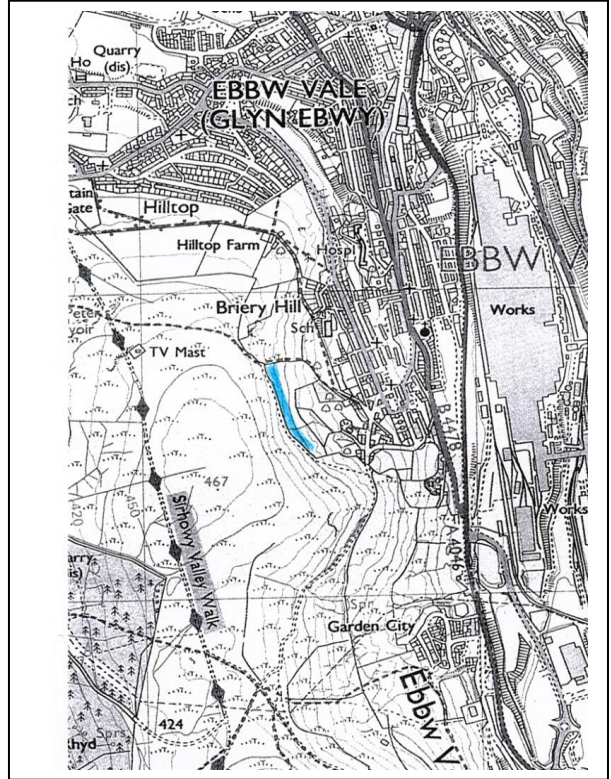
SIZE (approx.):

DATE OF SURVEY:

LOCAL AUTHORITY AREA:

WARD:

SKETCH MAP OF SITES LOCATION:



MAIN HABITAT TYPES PRESENT:

Habitat types	NVC type	Area (ha)
Semi-improved acid grassland	U4/U2	
Mature scrub	-	
Ditch	-	
Flushed vegetation	-	

FULL DESCRIPTION OF SITE (including topography, adjacent land use, access and boundaries etc.):

The site is delineated by the remains of a dry-stone wall, however its defunct nature means the site is now in essence an extension of the open land (Mynydd Manmoel candidate SINC) which lies to its east. The site is bordered to the east by a large fenced enclosure used for the exercise of race horses. The area is lightly sheep grazed.

The site lies over a steep east facing slope and supports a semi-improved acid sward, characterised by frequent/occasional common bent (*Agrostis tenuis*), sheep's fescue (*Festuca rubra*), sheep's sorrel (*Rumex acetosella*), heath bedstraw (*Galium saxatile*) and locally occasional tormentil (*Potentilla erecta*). Ant hills occur locally and a series of lovely mature hawthorn (*Crataegus monogyna*) trees are scattered over the slope. A small flush in the northern half of the enclosure includes soft rush (*Juncus effusus*), together with marsh bedstraw (*Galium palustre*), mosses and sedges (including star sedge (*Carex echinata*) and common yellow sedge (*Carex flava* agg.)).

The site should be considered for inclusion in the adjacent Mynydd Manmoel cSINC.

Official Use Only: Site selected as a Wildlife Site/SINC? YES NO Date: _____

Please state the section(s) of the Wildlife Site Guidelines that this site qualifies under:

H6) Acid grasslands

Qualifying Habitat types	Number of indicator species present
Semi-improved acid grassland	10