

Blaenau Gwent Wildlife Site/SINC Notification Form

SITE SUMMARY

SITE NAME:

GRID REF: SO208091

SURVEYOR(S):

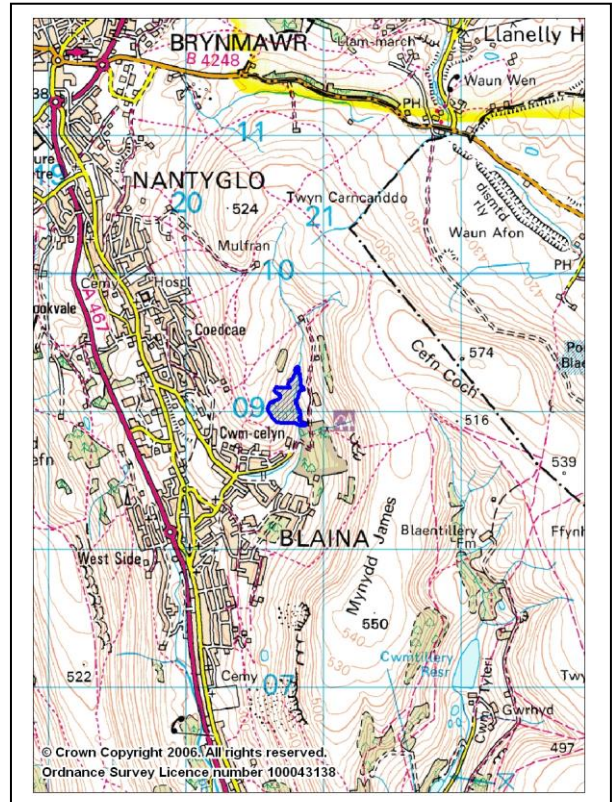
SIZE (approx.):

DATE OF SURVEY:

LOCAL AUTHORITY AREA:

WARD:

SKETCH MAP OF SITES LOCATION:



MAIN HABITAT TYPES PRESENT:

Habitat types	NVC type	Area (ha)
Beech woodland	W15	
Beech woodland	W15a	
Oak/birch woodland	W17	
Oak/birch woodland	W17b	
Oak/birch woodland	W17c	
Birch woodland	W4	
Heath	H18	
Acid grassland	U4	
Bracken	U20	
Stream	-	
Mire	M6/ M23	

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

This is a diverse site that occurs on sloping valley side down to and including a significant stream. It varies from open bilberry (*Vaccinium myrtillus*) heath through valley side mires and wet woodland, down to mature beech (*Fagus sylvatica*) stands. The site is largely enclosed by walls with some fencing but the main area of heath is open to grazing from above.

Access is achieved from the track that runs north/south up Cwm Celyn, across a field and the stream. An old gate entry point was also present. Access may also be possible from the farm on the high ground to the NW. Fields to the east are grazed and used for hay/silage. Land to the north and west, is grazed moor with some large trees and shrubs, whilst housing is close to the south.

Altitude is c.350-450m

Section(s) of the Wildlife Site Guidelines that this site qualifies under:

H20) Mosaic habitats

Qualifying Habitat types:

H1) Woodlands (*Lowland beech wood, wet woodland*), H6) Acid grassland, H10) Heathlands & dry heath communities (*dry bilberry heath*), H7) Marshy grassland, H12) Bog habitats & flushes (*acidic flushes*).

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